

1 or engaged in any news media communication to the public may not be
2 compelled to testify in any civil, criminal or grand jury
3 proceedings in any court in this state concerning:

4 (1) The source of any published or unpublished information
5 obtained by the person in the course of gathering, receiving or
6 processing information for any news media communication to the
7 public; or

8 (2) Any unpublished information obtained or prepared by the
9 person in the course of gathering, receiving or processing
10 information for any news media communication to the public, without
11 the consent of the person or persons providing the information
12 relied upon for any news media communication to the public.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit members of the news media from being compelled to give testimony in any court in the state relating to the source of information in the public communication, without the consent of the person or persons providing the information relied upon for the public communication.

This section is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.