**Section 876.101 Summary and Purpose**

a) These rules are established to implement the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (P.A. 83-1013, effective July 1, 1984, Supp. to Ill. Rev. Stat. 1983, ch. 116, par. 201 et seq.). The purpose of these rules is to support the policy of providing public access to the public records in the possession of this Department while, at the same time, protecting legitimate privacy interests and maintaining administrative efficiency.

b) These rules create a procedure by which the public may request and obtain public records. Therefore, they are being filed in accordance with Section 4.01 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1983, ch. 127, par. 1004.01).