**Section 1176.10 Summary and Purpose**

a) This Part is established to implement the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act [5 ILCS 140]. The purpose of this Part 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) This Part creates a procedure by which the public may request and obtain public records. Therefore, it is being filed in accordance with Section 5-15 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act [5 ILCS 100/5-15].