

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB2085

Introduced 2/10/2011, by Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 140/2

from Ch. 116, par. 202

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning definitions.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Freedom of Information Act is amended by
- 5 changing Section 2 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 140/2) (from Ch. 116, par. 202)
- 7 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 8 (a) "Public body" means all legislative, executive,
- 9 administrative, or advisory bodies of the the State, state
- 10 universities and colleges, counties, townships, cities,
- 11 villages, incorporated towns, school districts and all other
- 12 municipal corporations, boards, bureaus, committees, or
- commissions of this State, any subsidiary bodies of any of the
- 14 foregoing including but not limited to committees and
- 15 subcommittees thereof, and a School Finance Authority created
- 16 under Article 1E of the School Code. "Public body" does not
- 17 include a child death review team or the Illinois Child Death
- 18 Review Teams Executive Council established under the Child
- 19 Death Review Team Act.
- 20 (b) "Person" means any individual, corporation,
- 21 partnership, firm, organization or association, acting
- 22 individually or as a group.
- (c) "Public records" means all records, reports, forms,

letters, memoranda, books, papers, maps, photographs, microfilms, cards, tapes, recordings, electronic data processing records, electronic communications, recorded information and all other documentary materials pertaining to the transaction of public business, regardless of physical form or characteristics, having been prepared by or for, or having been or being used by, received by, in the possession of, or under the control of any public body.

(c-5) "Private information" means unique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person.

(c-10) "Commercial purpose" means the use of any part of a public record or records, or information derived from public records, in any form for sale, resale, or solicitation or advertisement for sales or services. For purposes of this definition, requests made by news media and non-profit, scientific, or academic organizations shall not be considered to be made for a "commercial purpose" when the principal purpose of the request is (i) to access and disseminate information concerning news and current or passing events, (ii)

- for articles of opinion or features of interest to the public,
- or (iii) for the purpose of academic, scientific, or public
- 3 research or education.
- 4 (d) "Copying" means the reproduction of any public record
- 5 by means of any photographic, electronic, mechanical or other
- 6 process, device or means now known or hereafter developed and
- 7 available to the public body.
- 8 (e) "Head of the public body" means the president, mayor,
- 9 chairman, presiding officer, director, superintendent,
- 10 manager, supervisor or individual otherwise holding primary
- 11 executive and administrative authority for the public body, or
- such person's duly authorized designee.
- 13 (f) "News media" means a newspaper or other periodical
- 14 issued at regular intervals whether in print or electronic
- format, a news service whether in print or electronic format, a
- 16 radio station, a television station, a television network, a
- 17 community antenna television service, or a person or
- 18 corporation engaged in making news reels or other motion
- 19 picture news for public showing.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 96-261, eff. 1-1-10; 96-542, eff. 1-1-10;
- 21 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10.)