Freedom of Information Act

Guide to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act

**FOIA** 

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The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) is a law that allows for the disclosure of government information and documents. The County of Bond observes State of Illinois statutes regarding FOIA requests. This Act is used to insure that all persons are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government, and the official acts and policies of those who represent them as public officials.

This Act is not intended to be used to violate individual privacy, nor for the purpose of furthering a commercial enterprise, or to disrupt the duly-undertaken work of any public body independent of the fulfillment of any of the rights of the people to access to information.

Unless information falls within an express statutory exemption, it must be disclosed under FOIA (5 ILCS 140/1).

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