On Tue, Nov 9, 2021 at 4:12 PM Melanie Williams <<u>mwilliams525@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Dear Members of the FOIA Council,

I am a resident of Virginia and am writing to express my support for HB2196 as approved by the Records Issues subcommittee.

- Public access to police disciplinary records is critical to police accountability and building public trust.
- Having access to law enforcement disciplinary records helps ensure that the police are doing the job our tax dollars are paying them to do and doing it effectively.
- It is also critical that the public has access to records of both substantiated and unsubstantiated allegations.
- We need transparency in our government and accountability from those with the power to take life and liberty.

Sincerely, Melanie Williams 4051 Coronation Williamsburg, VA