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To: <foiacouncil@dls.virginia.gov>

Dear Members of the FOIA Council,

As a resident of Virginia, I am writing to urge that you support HB2196 as currently drafted. Public access to police disciplinary records is critical to police accountability and building public trust. It is especially important for full transparency that access be available to records of both substantiated and unsubstantiated allegations alike. Without access to information on both types of allegations, the public could not be confident that thorough investigations are being conducted.

Please support this important reform.

Thank you for your consideration.

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