From: Mary McGovern <<u>maryjmcgovern@cox.net</u>> Date: Wed, Sep 1, 2021 at 2:16 PM Subject: Pls support HB2196 as currently drafted To: <<u>foiacouncil@dls.virginia.gov</u>>

Dear Members of the FOIA Council,

I am a resident of Virginia and strongly support HB2196 **as currently drafted**. Public access to police disciplinary records - BOTH substantiated and unsubstantiated - is critical to police accountability and building public trust. This transparency - and the resulting trust - is CRITICAL to our ability to nourish a sense of community where residents and public safety officers can effectively collaborate to keep everyone safe.

Please support this important reform!

Thank you for your service to our community - and for your consideration of this important issue.

Best always -

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