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Monday, September 21, 2009 Meeting
11:00 a.m. House Room D
General Assembly Building

SUGGESTED AGENDA
****ANNOTATED****

- 1. Call to Order; introduction of members.**
- 2. Subcommittee Reports:**
 - **Personal Identifying Information (PII) Subcommittee.**
 - **Public Records Subcommittee.**
- 3. Public Comment.**
- 4. Other Business**
 - **Proposed amendment to FOIA; arrest reports; Delegate David Englin.**
- 5. Of Note - 2009 FOIA Workshops:**
 - **Monday, September 14, 2009 - Richmond, VA**
 - **Monday, September 28, 2009 - Staunton, VA**
 - **Tuesday, September 29, 2009 - Abingdon, VA**

- Tuesday, October 6, 2009 - Suffolk, VA
- Tuesday, October 27, 2009 - Manassas, VA
- Monday, November 2, 2009 - Richmond, VA

6. Meeting Reminder: Next meeting of FOIA Council scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2009 at 3:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment.

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APPENDIX A

BILLS REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR STUDY BY 2009 SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SB 880 (Stuart)

Department of Game and Inland Fisheries; disclosure of official records; exceptions. Provides that records of the Department shall be subject to the disclosure provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, except that personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, of individual applicants for or holders of any hunting, fishing, boating, or trapping license issued by an agent of the Department shall be withheld from public disclosure, provided that such individuals have requested that the Department not disclose such information. However, statistical summaries, abstracts, or other records containing information in an aggregate form that does not identify individual applicants or licensees shall be disclosed. The bill provides, however, that such information may be released (i) in accordance with a proper judicial order, (ii) to any law-enforcement agency, officer, or authorized agent thereof acting in the performance of official law-enforcement duties, or (iii) to any person who is the subject of the record.

SB 1332 (Cuccinelli)

Private entities operating, managing, or supervising any portion of the state highway system. Provides that a private entity that operates, manages, or supervises any portion of the state highway system and receives funding from the Commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions shall be considered a public body for purposes of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.) of the Code of Virginia as it relates to that portion of the private entity's business operations responsible for operating, managing, or supervising the portion of the state highway system.

HB 2421 (May)

Freedom of Information Act; definition of public record. Clarifies that the definition of public record does not include correspondence, messages or other records or portions thereof created or received by a public employee, appointee or officer that relate to personal matters and

do not address public business; however such records may be disclosed in the discretion of the custodian.

HB 2471 (Hugo)

Freedom of Information Act; salary records of teachers. Provides that the disclosure of the names of individual teachers is not required under FOIA in response to a request for the official salary or rate of pay of employees of a local school board.

HB 2630 (Crockett-Stark)

Law-Enforcement Officers' Privacy Protection Act. Allows a law-enforcement officer to request that personal information about the officer be withheld from disclosure on public records. For purposes of the Act, "personal information" includes the officer's name, social security number, address, phone number, and any other information that could be used to physically locate the officer.