



*Rights and Remedies Subcommittee
of the
Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council*

Thursday, July 22, 2010
10:00 a.m. -- Speaker's Conference Room
Sixth Floor -- General Assembly Building

SUGGESTED AGENDA

1. Call to Order; and Introduction of Members.
2. Review of bills referred by the 2010 Session for further study by the FOIA Council:
 - **HB449 (Ware, R.L.); Freedom of Information Act; injunctive relief for public bodies under certain circumstances.** Provides that any public body may petition a court for injunctive relief to restrain a requester from harrassment or other abuse of the rights or privileges granted under FOIA.
 - **HB 641 (Armstrong); Freedom of Information Act; requests for records may be made by any citizen of United States.** Provides that FOIA requests may be made by any citizen of the United States and not just citizens of the Commonwealth and extends the same privilege to representatives of newspapers and magazines. The bill provides that this privilege is limited to those states which give reciprocal rights to make FOIA requests to Virginia citizens. The bill also allows a public body to require prepayment before providing requested records when the amount for so producing is likely to exceed \$100.
 - **HB 976 (Anderson)/SB 147 (Puller); FOIA; party whom writ is served must be served a copy of petition prior to filing.** Clarifies that before a FOIA petition is filed, the party against whom the writ is brought must receive a copy of the petition within a reasonable time prior to the petitioner filing the

petition with the court. The bill contains a technical amendment and incorporates HB 689.

3. Public Comment.
4. Discussion.
5. Recommended Action.
6. Other Business.
7. Set future meeting dates for Rights and Remedies Subcommittee.
8. Adjournment.

Subcommittee Members

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Mary Yancey Spencer	Ed Jones
Roger Wiley	Eric Gregory
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