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Good Morning,

I am writing to you today to ask the council to decline in moving this proposed legislation forward. I am not opposed to FOIA records, but what I am against it supporting this legislation that penalizes law enforcement by making records publicly accessible. If this proposed legislation included ALL public employees including the legislator then I would not oppose it.

I am not sure that this legislation has any purpose other than to discriminate against law enforcement officers. I can attest to being a police officer in the Commonwealth of Virginia for over 30 years that many frivolous complaints are filed against officers. Some of these are so outrageous that the officers are never even contacted to have them investigated. There are numerous laws and rules and regulations already in place throughout municipalities and the state where the police are the most scrutinized employees in the state. Even now state code 19.2-201 requires police departments to notify commonwealth attorney's regarding any complaints against police officers for a number of complaints that have been lodged against them.

I ask that you please do not approve this legislation and end the war on our police officers.

Respectfully,

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