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Subject: In Support of Open Records

I frankly don't know why I'm writing this or even need to, but oddly enough, I still believe in our democracy. It is beyond me why this is even an issue that needs to be considered.

Wisconsin has had a long tradition of clean, open government, now, that seems to be in peril.

All State of Wisconsin employees, and most specifically our elected officials are employed by the people of Wisconsin and consequently serve at our behest. Open records are critical to our ability to evaluate performance and more to the point, honesty.

While I sincerely doubt one voters opinion will make a difference against the moneyed interests that appear to be controlling the state, I still feel compelled to rebel against what truly disgusts me. This effort to control electronic records is clearly an extension of the arrogant, cynical and un-American earlier attempt to shut down open records prior to the 4th of July. This of course should be the new definition of ironic.

But now, rather than a wholesale change to clean, open government, this appears to be death by a thousand cuts.

KEEP OPEN RECORDS, ELECTRONIC OR OTHERWISE!

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