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In Washington DC, politicians and the public insist on having access to emails and electronic communications. When unavailable, there is the inevitable sniff of scandal and ineptness and the attempt to hide something. Why should Wisconsin react any differently. Public officials should want to make any and all communications available, whether print or electronic, to show they operate above board and in the best interests of the citizens. It is not important that there are two differing views on many subjects, just that the public has a right to know and that discussions leading to decisions are made for the public good and with the best of intentions. In the 2000's print is not always the normal form of record keeping, electronic media is and it should be used as commonly as paper records were fifty years ago. The Public Records Board should know that. Someday there won't be paper records of anything so why pretend otherwise now.

Keep any electronic information in the public domain.

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