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Subject: MANAGEMENT OF TRANSITORY RECORDS ACTION OF 8.24.2015

Since, unfortunately, Wisconsin is presently a one party state, now is not the time to enact rule changes to "lawfully" permit Wisconsin's civil servants to conduct the public's business in secrecy and without accountability.

Your action last August, which masked the public's access to electronic communication, was designed to obstruct the public's right to know what their representatives are doing and intentionally thwarted the goals of governmental transparency and accountability. In this digital era, the public's accessibility to the contents of our representatives' electronic communications provides a greater window to their thoughts, than the letters and other hard copy communications that they chose to release.

I urge and anticipate that you will rescind your actions from last August which changed the management of "transitory records" definition. I will watch with interest your action on this issue now that the Board has asked for public comment on this important issue.

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