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I am against limiting access to public records. Open records are essential to an informed electorate and accountable governance. Since a functioning democracy relies on informed participation of the voters and responsive government, limiting access to public records surely undermines our precious democracy.

It is your responsibility to keep public records available to the public. The governments business is OUR business! Changing the definition of "transitory records", meeting surreptitiously, and any other sleazy, behind the scenes machinations are wrong, and don't change your obligations to act honestly and in the best interests of the public.

Do what is right, and rescind the revisions that were shamefully snuck through last summer.

Sincerely,
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