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**From:** Bruce Peacock <iampeacock51@yahoo.com>  
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**To:** DOA Public Records Board Comments  
**Subject:** public comment

Hello,

The proposed change to limit open public records is wrong for several reasons:

1. What might you be planning to do that you don't want the public to know about? Leads to distrust of Government.
2. As a Board President of a Condo Association, State law and court decisions technically require our Board to conduct all business at open meetings and make all the minutes public to all Association members. Why would you be above the very same laws you expect us to follow? Leads to distrust of Government.
3. The GOP has long stood for giving power back to local control....but recent decisions to take power away from Milwaukee School Board, to take ability for local Governments to issue official ID's, gerrymandering, etc fly in the face of this long standing creed. How can I continue vote for the GOP in the future when I believe you no longer believe in local control? Leads to distrust of Government.
4. Legal challenges to open records law restrictions are consistently backed by the Judicial system, and overturn this type of legislation. What makes you think your proposed legislation will fare any differently? What a waste of time, effort, and money. Leads to distrust of legislature.
5. Open the door for corruption in Government, and you can quickly find hundreds of past examples of politicians who have eagerly run through that very door and discredited not only themselves, but their party and our Country as well. Has led to distrust of Government.
6. Six of Governor Walker's assistants have been jailed for inappropriate actions in office, and none of these wrongdoers would have been caught if not for open email records. Do you believe they should have gotten away with their actions? Continues to lead to distrust of politicians.
7. If the GOP wants my vote in coming elections, they need to back off on this public records proposal and get back to giving control to the local municipalities. Put your actions where your mouth is and began trusting the public, if you want the public to trust you!

Thank you,

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