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**From:** Nancy K. <kaisernanc@gmail.com>  
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**To:** DOA Public Records Board Comments  
**Subject:** status of electronic records and continued public access

Dear members of the Public Records Board,

Since much legislative and administrative business is conducted by electronic means in the state of Wisconsin, it is imperative that electronic records such as emails, text messages, posts to message boards and list-serves and all similar types of electronic communication remain accessible to public scrutiny. It is our right as citizens to have access to the business conducted by our government.

Why would you rule to consider such electronic records "transitory" in the present historical moment, when multiple considerations (for example cost of materials, speed of transmission, environmental concerns, ease of conferencing online etc) convince corporations, small businesses, and governmental bodies to carry on more and more "permanent" business by such means?

This makes no sense, and it certainly does not serve the interests nor the needs of the citizenry of Wisconsin. Please explain to me why you would have taken such a step?

And please consider my voice as a voting citizen of the state of Wisconsin when deciding whether to re-visit a decision I now understand to have been made in relative secrecy and haste this past summer.

Sincerely,

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