AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 1

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- 1 Amend Table of Contents, page 2, line 11, by striking out "to
- 2 public records"
- 3 Amend Table of Contents, page 2, by inserting between lines
- 4 23 and 24
- 5 Section 905. Administrative denial.
- 6 Section 906. Record discard.
- 7 Amend Table of Contents, page 3, line 8, by striking out
- 8 "Clearinghouse" and inserting
- 9 Office of Open Records
- Amend Table of Contents, page 3, by inserting between lines
- 11 18 and 19
- 12 Section 3101.1. Relation to other law or judicial actions.
- 13 Amend Sec. 102, page 4, line 20, by inserting after "The"
- 14 Office of
- Amend Sec. 102, page 6, by inserting between lines 15 and 16
- 16 (1.1) Political party caucuses of the Senate.
- 17 Amend Sec. 102, page 6, by inserting between lines 16 and 17
- 18 (2.1) Political party caucuses of the House of
- 19 Representatives.
- 20 Amend Sec. 102, page 6, line 29, by striking out "Includes
- 21 the following information" and inserting
- 22 Any of the following
- Amend Sec. 102, page 6, line 30, by striking out "or standing

- 1 committee"
- Amend Sec. 102, page 7, line 9, by inserting after "AT"
- a public hearing or a public committee meeting
- 4 Amend Sec. 102, page 8, by inserting between lines 7 and 8
- 5 (18) Proposed regulations, final-form regulations and
- final-omitted regulations submitted to a legislative agency.
- 7 Amend Sec. 102, page 9, line 12, by inserting after "notice"
- 8 to a requester
- 9 Amend Sec. 102, page 9, line 23, by inserting after
- 10 "includes"
- the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, the
- 12 Pennsylvania Game Commission, the Pennsylvania Fish
- and Boat Commission,
- Amend Sec. 102, page 9, line 24, by inserting after "Agency"
- and all nonprofit corporations established thereby
- 16 Amend Sec. 301, page 10, line 28, by inserting after
- 17 "requester"
- 18 unless otherwise provided by law
- 19 Amend Sec. 302, page 11, line 4, by inserting after
- 20 "requester"
- 21 unless otherwise provided by law
- Amend Sec. 305, page 11, line 19, by inserting before "A"
- 23 (a) General rule.--
- Amend Sec. 305, page 11, by inserting between lines 25 and 26
- 25 (b) Legislative records and financial records.--A
- 26 legislative record in the possession of a legislative agency and
- 27 a financial record in the possession of a judicial agency shall
- 28 be presumed to be available to the public unless:
- 29 (1) the record is exempt under 708(c) or (d);
- 30 (2) the record is protected by a privilege; or
- 31 (3) the record is exempt from disclosure under any other
- 32 Federal or State law or regulation or judicial order or
- 33 decree.
- 34 Amend Sec. 502, page 12, line 10, by inserting after
- 35 "Representatives,"

- or a political party caucus of the Senate or the
- 2 House of Representatives
- 3 Amend Sec. 503, page 13, by inserting between lines 26 and 27
- 4 (iii) A political party caucus of the Senate or the House of Representatives.
- 6 Amend Sec. 503, page 14, line 4, by striking out "LAW
- 7 ENFORCEMENT"
- 8 Amend Sec. 506, page 16, line 11, by striking out "for" and
- 9 inserting
- 10 on behalf of
- Amend Sec. 506, page 16, line 17, by striking out "public"
- Amend Sec. 506, page 16, line 18, by inserting after "the"
- 13 public
- Amend Sec. 506, page 16, line 21, by striking out "The" and
- 15 inserting
- 16 Upon a determination to grant the request, the
- 17 Amend Sec. 506, page 16, line 23, by inserting after "and"
- 18 upon collection shall
- 19 Amend Sec. 701, page 17, line 2, by striking out "to public
- 20 records"
- 21 Amend Sec. 701, page 17, line 6, by inserting after "record"
- 22 being provided to a requester
- Amend Sec. 701, page 17, line 6, by striking out "to a
- 24 requester"
- Amend Sec. 701, page 17, line 7, by striking out "the public
- 26 record" and inserting
- 27 it
- Amend Sec. 701, page 17, line 13, by striking out "the
- 29 computer" and inserting
- 30 any computer either
- 31 Amend Sec. 703, page 17, line 26, by striking out "in" and

- 1 inserting
- 2 pursuant to
- 3 Amend Sec. 703, page 18, line 2, by inserting after "records"
- 4 unless otherwise provided by law
- 5 Amend Sec. 704, page 18, lines 13 and 14, by striking out
- 6 "use the electronic access" and inserting
- 7 access the record electronically
- 8 Amend Sec. 704, page 18, lines 14 and 15, by striking out
- 9 "submit a written request to the agency"
- Amend Sec. 704, page 18, line 16, by inserting after
- 11 "notification,"
- submit a written request to the agency
- Amend Sec. 706, page 18, line 30, by striking out "under
- 14 section 305 or 708"
- Amend Sec. 708, page 20, line 16, by striking out all of said
- 16 line and inserting
- 17 (a) Burden of proof.--
- 18 (1) The burden of proving that a public
- 19 Amend Sec. 708, page 20, by inserting between lines 19 and 20
- 20 (2) The burden of proving that a legislative record is 21 exempt from public access shall be on the legislative agency 22 receiving a request, by a preponderance of the evidence.
- receiving a request, by a preponderance of the evidence.

 (3) The burden of proving that a financial record of a
- judicial agency is exempt from public access shall be on the
- 25 judicial agency receiving a request, by a preponderance of
- the evidence.
- Amend Sec. 708, page 21, line 7, by striking out "life,"
- Amend Sec. 708, page 22, lines 16 and 17, by striking out "an
- 29 individual's" and inserting
- 30 a person's
- 31 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 17, by inserting after
- 32 "number;"
- 33 date of birth;

- 1 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 19, by striking out "home,
- 2 cellular or personal"
- 3 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 20, by striking out "number"
- 4 where it appears the first time and inserting
- 5 numbers
- 6 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 20, by striking out "address"
- 7 and inserting
- 8 addresses
- 9 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 20, by striking out "number;"
- 10 and inserting
- 11 numbers; or
- Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 21, by striking out "number"
- 13 and inserting
- 14 numbers
- 15 Amend Sec. 708, page 22, line 24, by striking out all of said
- 16 line and inserting
- 17 (ii) Nothing in this paragraph shall:
- 18 (A) Prevent an agency from providing access to
- the date of birth of a deceased person for
- 20 genealogical purposes.
- 21 (B) Preclude the
- 22 Amend Sec. 708, page 26, line 4, by inserting after
- 23 "correspondence"
- 24 , videos
- Amend Sec. 708, page 27, line 28, by striking out all of said
- 26 line and inserting
- 27 (18) Records or parts of records pertaining to audio
- 28 recordings, telephone or radio transmissions received by
- 29 emergency dispatch personnel, including 911 recordings.
- 30 However, a transcript of a recording may be released when the
- 31 agency or a court determines that the public interest in
- 32 disclosure outweighs the interest in nondisclosure.
- 33 Amend Sec. 708, page 28, line 2, by inserting after "of"
- an autopsy report,

- 1 Amend Sec. 708, page 28, line 8, by inserting after "cause"
- 2 and manner
- 3 Amend Sec. 708, page 28, line 13, by striking out "Minutes"
- 4 and inserting
- 5 Draft minutes of any meeting of an agency and minutes
- 6 Amend Sec. 708, page 29, line 25, by striking out "or"
- 7 Amend Sec. 708, page 30, line 9, by removing the period after
- 8 "abuse" and inserting
- 9 ; or
- 10 (iii) identifying a person that requests assistance
- or constituent services from a member of the General
- 12 Assembly.
- Amend Sec. 708, page 30, line 10, by striking out "The" and
- 14 inserting
- 15 With respect to financial records, the
- 16 Amend Sec. 708, page 30, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all
- 17 of line 11 and "financial records protected under" in line 12
- Amend Sec. 708, page 30, lines 12 through 14, by striking out
- 19 "or" in line 12, all of line 13, "information PROTECTED under
- 20 subsection (b)(5)" in line 14 and inserting
- (4) or (5) shall apply
- Amend Sec. 708, page 30, line 14, by striking out "may" and
- 23 inserting
- 24 shall
- Amend Sec. 708, page 30, line 21, by striking out "shall not"
- 26 and inserting
- 27 (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5) shall
- 28 Amend Sec. 708, page 30, lines 22 through 23, by striking out
- 29 ", except for data protected under subsection (b)(1), (2), (3)
- 30 or (4)"
- 31 Amend Sec. 901, page 31, line 2, by inserting after

1 "request." The response shall include a notice of applicable 2 3 fees. Amend Bill, page 33, by inserting between lines 4 and 5 4 Section 905. Administrative denial. 5 6 The following shall apply: 7 (1) An agency may deny access to a public record, legislative record or financial record due to the failure of 8 9 the requester to pay the applicable fee. 10 (2) An agency may deny access to a public record, legislative record or financial record due to the failure of 11 12 the requester to pay any fee associated with a previous 13 request made by the requester to the same agency. 14 Section 906. Record discard. 15 If an agency response to a requester provides that the 16 requested records are available for delivery at the office of an 17 agency and the requester fails to retrieve the records within 60 18 days of the agency's response, the agency shall send a written notice to the requester specifying that the requested copies 19 20 will be held for an additional 30 days, within which time the 21 requester may return to the agency to retrieve the records. Thereafter, the agency may dispose of any copies which have not 22 been retrieved and retain any fees paid to date. 23 24 Amend Sec. 1101, page 33, line 11, by inserting after 25 "appropriate" 26 legislative or judicial 27 Amend Sec. 1307, page 38, line 26, by striking out all of said line and inserting 28 29 (i) The fees must be reasonable and based on (2) 30 prevailing 31 Amend Sec. 1307, page 38, by inserting between lines 28 and 32 29 33 (ii) Fees for copying data, collections of data and compiled data, including, but not limited to, geographic 34 35 information systems and property lists, may be based on consideration of the reasonable market value of same or 36 37 closely comparable data, collections of data or compiled 38 data. 39 Amend Sec. 1307, page 39, lines 1 through 5, by striking out 40 all of said lines Amend Sec. 1310, page 41, line 1, by striking out 41 42 "Clearinghouse" and inserting

- 1 Office of Open Records
- 2 Amend Sec. 1310, page 41, line 3, by striking out "Community
- 3 and Economic Development an" and inserting
- 4 State the Office of
- 5 Amend Sec. 1310, page 41, lines 20 and 21, by striking out
- 6 "provided by the clearinghouse"
- 7 Amend Sec. 1310, page 42, by inserting between lines 8 and 9
- 8 (10) To make available in electronic form to persons 9 making requests for public records, examples of previous
- requests for public records by other persons and the
- documents to which the other persons were given access. In
- 12 performing this duty, the office may not reveal any
- information relating to the identity of the persons who made
- the previous requests.
- 15 (11) Enter into an agreement with the Department of
- 16 Community and Economic Development to provide the training
- required by paragraphs (3), (4) and (5)(i).
- 18 Amend Sec. 1701, page 45, line 4, by striking out "All
- 19 parties to the contract" and inserting
- The name and business address of all parties
- 21 executing the contract
- Amend Sec. 1701, page 45, line 7, by striking out "format"
- 23 and inserting
- 24 file
- Amend Sec. 1701, page 45, line 8, by striking out "format"
- 26 where it appears the first time and inserting
- 27 file
- Amend Sec. 1701, page 45, line 8, by striking out "format
- 29 provided by and inserting
- 30 file provided by Treasury Department
- 31 Amend Sec. 1701, page 45, line 16, by inserting after
- 32 "Treasurer."
- 33 The contract provided to the Treasury Department pursuant to
- 34 this chapter shall be redacted in accordance with applicable
- 35 provisions of this act by the agency providing the contract to
- 36 the Treasury Department.
- 37 (d) Contracts provided pursuant to The Fiscal Code. -- The

- 1 copy of a contract provided to the Treasury Department pursuant
- 2 to section 1701 shall be in addition to any copy of the contract
- 3 provided to the Treasury Department under the act of April 9,
- 4 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code. Copies of
- 5 contracts received by the Treasury Department, Office of Auditor
- 6 General, or Department of Revenue from an agency pursuant to The
- 7 Fiscal Code shall not be made available to a requester by the
- 8 State Treasurer, Auditor General or the Department of Revenue.
- 9 Amend Sec. 1702, page 45, lines 18 through 23, by striking
- 10 out "The Treasury Department shall make each" in line 18, all of
- 11 lines 19 through 23 and inserting
- 12 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a request for a
- 13 copy of a contract shall only be made to an agency who is a
- 14 party to the contract.
- Amend Sec. 1702, page 45, line 24, by inserting after
- 16 "Posting.--"
- 17 The Treasury Department shall make each contract filed pursuant
- 18 to section 1701 available for public inspection either by
- 19 posting a copy of the contract on the Treasury Department's
- 20 publicly accessible Internet website or by posting a contract
- 21 summary on the department's publicly accessible Internet
- 22 website.
- Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, lines 13 and 14, by striking out
- 24 all of said lines and inserting
- 25 (1) This act shall apply to requests for information 26 made on or after December 31, 2008.
- 27 (2) With respect to an agency as defined under section 28 103, this act shall apply prospectively.
- 29 (3) In addition to paragraph (2), with respect only to an agency which was an agency as defined under the former act
- of June 21, 1957 (P.L.390, No.212), referred to as the Right-
- to-Know Law, this act shall apply retroactively.
- 33 Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, line 15, by striking out "(2)" and
- 34 inserting
- 35 (4)
- 36 Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, line 17, by striking out "(3)" and
- 37 inserting
- 38 (5)
- 39 Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, line 18, by striking out "the
- 40 effective date of this section" and inserting

- 1 June 30, 2008
- 2 Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, line 19, by striking out "(4)" and
- 3 inserting
- 4 (6)
- 5 Amend Sec. 3101, page 46, line 20, by striking out "the
- 6 effective date of this section" and inserting
- 7 June 30, 2008
- 8 Amend Bill, page 46, by inserting between lines 20 and 21
- 9 Section 3101.1. Relation to other law or judicial actions.
- 10 If the provisions of this act regarding access to public
- 11 records conflict with any Federal or State statute, the
- 12 provisions of this act shall not apply.
- Amend Sec. 3103, page 47, line 8, by striking out all "in 180
- 14 days." and inserting
- 15 as follows:
- 16 (1) Sections 101, 102, 1310, 3101 and 3102(1)(i) and
- 17 (ii)(B) and (2) shall take effect July 1, 2008.
- 18 (2) This section shall take effect immediately.
- 19 (3) The remainder of this act shall take effect January
- 20 1, 2009.