

AMEND BOARD REPORT 00-0524-PO1
AMEND BOARD REPORT 91-0731-PO1

POLICY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That the Board amend the Policy for Compliance with Freedom of Information Act Requests.

Policy Text:

The Board of Education of the City of Chicago hereby declares its concurrence with and adherence to the philosophy, tenets and intent of the Freedom of Information Act. Pursuant to the fundamental philosophy of the American constitutional form of government and the laws of the State of Illinois, it is the public policy of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago that all persons are entitled to full and complete

information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts and policies of those who represent them as public officials and public employees, consistent with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. Such access is necessary to enable the people to fulfill their duties of discussing public issues fully

and freely making informed political judgments and monitoring government to ensure that it is being

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By of the Board of Review Act (2004 H.C. 40/0-04, et seq.), the provisions of which are not changed or modified by [REDACTED]

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3. A public body that maintains a website shall also post this information on its website. 5 ILCS 140/4.

E. Conditions for Examining and Copying Information

FOIA authorizes public bodies to charge fees reasonably calculated to reimburse its actual cost for reproducing and certifying public records and for the use, by any person, of the equipment of the public body to copy records. (5 ILCS 140/6(a) and (b)). (See II(D)(4) above). However, no fee will be charged for the costs of the search for and review of documents. Fees for copying and certification may be reduced or waived, as determined by the FOIA Office, if the person requesting documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver for reduction of the fee is in the public interest. If

ILCS 140/6(b)(c)).

The FOIA Office may require that records be examined and copied under the supervision of staff. If

Upon receipt of the written notice of appeal, the Chief of Staff shall review the information requested, determine whether under the provisions of FOIA if such information is open to inspection and copying, and notify the person making the appeal of such determination within seven working days after the notice of the appeal. (5 ILCS 140/10).

I. J. Judicial Review

If the request is denied on appeal, the person denied access to the public record shall be notified of his or


LEGAL REFERENCES: 105 ILCS 5/140 et.seq.

Noted:




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