

HOUSE BILL NO. 5693

January 26, 2022, Introduced by Rep. Outman and referred to the Committee on Oversight.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled
"Freedom of information act,"
by amending section 6 (MCL 15.236), as amended by 1996 PA 553.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 6. (1) A public body that is a city, village, township,
2 county, or state department, or under the control of a city,
3 village, township, county, or state department, shall designate an
4 individual as the public body's FOIA coordinator. The FOIA
5 coordinator shall ~~be responsible for accepting and processing~~
6 **accept and process** requests for the public body's public records

1 under this act and shall ~~be responsible for approving a~~ **approve any**
2 denial under section ~~5(4) and (5).~~ **5(5) and (6).** In a county not
3 having an executive form of government, the chairperson of the
4 county board of commissioners is designated the FOIA coordinator
5 for that county.

6 (2) For all other public bodies, the chief administrative
7 officer of the respective public body is designated the public
8 body's FOIA coordinator.

9 (3) ~~An~~ **A** FOIA coordinator may designate another individual to
10 act on his or her behalf in accepting and processing requests for
11 the public body's public records, and in approving a denial under
12 section ~~5(4) and (5).~~ **5(5) and (6).**

13 (4) **A FOIA coordinator or an individual acting on behalf of a**
14 **FOIA coordinator shall process requests for the public body's**
15 **public records under this act in a manner that, to the fullest**
16 **extent reasonably possible, prevents disclosure of the request or**
17 **its contents to any person except as necessary to comply with the**
18 **FOIA coordinator's duties under this act.**