

**Subject:** FOIA Charges

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**To:** "M.McAvoy\_Isabella\_County\_Administrator" <mmcavoy@isabellacounty.org>

Dear Ms. McAvoy:

**Have you just slapped me with one of your gloves?** If so, I accept the challenge.

Really? **10,000 pages** of documents associated with this digital radio fiasco!

You predict it will take 74 hours of searching & copying to provide the documents related to an issue that is less than two years old!

If this issue comes before a jury, I predict that not many of our citizen peers will believe that records keeping in our county headquarters is that disorganized or the workers that incompetent.

Who would have guessed that your " ... *lowest paid public body employee capable of retrieving the information necessary to comply with a request under this act.*" (ACT 442 OF 1976, 15.234., Sec. 4/3/1) earns **\$39.83/hr?** Nearly **\$80,000 a year** for file handling and copying? Wow!

Attempts at intimidation by government officials usually point to a cover up situation. You have really stimulated my curiosity and I predict that cost of the end result will be money well spent.

I'll want the names of the people doing the "searching" and copying and a detailed accounting of every minute of their time. Please have your \$39.83/hr file clerks keep date, time stamped, accurate records of what they are doing and how long it took to do it. Those will be an interesting set of documents.

I have ordered a check for ½ payment of the charges as provided by ACT 442 OF 1976, 15.234., Sec. 4/2. Do not imagine that these exorbitant fees will go unchallenged.

On a positive note, you should commend Mark Griffis and his hard working staff for providing a temporary and partial "fix". I know it has been a real challenge for our dispatchers and I very much appreciate their efforts. Because of those efforts by Mark and his crew, I was under the impression that these issues might be resolved without further action on my part. Obviously, my thoughts were naive.

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The only thing more expensive than education is ignorance.  
- Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790)

The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is  
for good men to do nothing.  
- Edmund Burke (1729-1797)

A MAJOR INCENTIVE FOR CRIMINALS:

Law abiding citizens are almost always unarmed.

THE SAFEST PLACE TO COMMIT A CRIME:

A "no gun zone".

"The right of self-defence never ceases. It is among the most sacred, and alike necessary to nations and to individuals..."

-James Monroe,  
President of the United States, 1818.

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