1 AN ACT concerning government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act is amended by changing Section 20-95 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 430/20-95)

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7 Sec. 20-95. Exemptions.

Freedom of Information Act.

- 8 (a) Documents generated by an ethics officer under this 9 Act, except Section 5-50, are exempt from the provisions of the
- (b) Any allegations and related documents submitted to an 11 Executive Inspector General and any pleadings and related 12 13 documents brought before the Executive Ethics Commission are 14 exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act so long as the Executive Ethics Commission does not make a finding 15 16 of a violation of this Act. If the Executive Ethics Commission 17 finds that a violation has occurred, the entire record of proceedings before the Commission, 18 the decision recommendation, and the response from the agency head or 19 ultimate jurisdictional authority to the Executive Ethics 20 21 Commission are not exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act but information contained therein that is 22 otherwise exempt from the Freedom of Information Act must be 2.3

- 1 redacted before disclosure as provided in the Freedom of
- 2 Information Act. A summary report released by the Executive
- 3 Ethics Commission under Section 20-52 is a public record, but
- 4 information redacted by the Executive Ethics Commission shall
- 5 not be part of the public record.
- 6 (c) Meetings of the Commission are exempt from the
- 7 provisions of the Open Meetings Act.
- 8 (d) Unless otherwise provided in this Act, all
- 9 investigatory files and reports of the Office of an Executive
- 10 Inspector General, other than monthly reports required under
- 11 Section 20-85, are confidential, are exempt from disclosure
- under the Freedom of Information Act, and shall not be divulged
- to any person or agency, except as necessary (i) to a law
- 14 enforcement authority, (ii) to the ultimate jurisdictional
- 15 authority, (iii) to the Executive Ethics Commission, (iv) to
- 16 another Inspector General appointed pursuant to this Act, or
- 17 (v) to an Inspector General appointed or employed by a Regional
- 18 Transit Board in accordance with Section 75-10, or (vi) to the
- 19 head of a State agency affected by or involved in the
- 20 investigation.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09; 96-1528, eff. 7-1-11.)
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 23 becoming law.