

Tennessee Department Of Safety - 1340
Administrative Division

In Re: Proposed Rules
Chapter 1340-02-06
Access To Public Records
Of The Department Of Safety

Rule Id Number: 2271

Petition For Public Hearing

Come now the Petitioners, Tennessee Coalition for Open Government, Inc. and the Tennessee Press Association, pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-202(3), and request a hearing on the proposed rules governing access to Public Records of the Department of Safety, Chapter 1340-2-6. pter 1340-2-6.

1. The Petitioners, Tennessee Coalition for Open Government, Inc. (TCOG) and the Tennessee Press Association (TPA) meet the statutory criteria of associations that have standing to petition for a hearing on this matter.
2. TCOG is a Tennessee not-for-profit corporation with members consisting of various media outlets and organizations, including newspapers, broadcasters, and other groups that share a common interest in protecting the public's right of access to public records.
3. The TPA is a Tennessee corporation with members consisting of Tennessee newspapers that share a common interest in protecting access to public information.
4. The TPA and TCOG both have in excess of twenty-five (25) members.
5. The proposed rules were first published in the Tennessee Administrative Register on or about January 13, 2007.
6. According to information on the Web page of the Department of State, the last day on which a Petition seeking a hearing on this proposed rule is February 14, 2007.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioners request that the Department give notice of the proposed rule and conduct a hearing as prescribed in the Tennessee Administrative Procedures Act.

Respectfully Submitted,
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