

The former references to "counties" and "municipalities" are deleted as unnecessary in light of the use of the defined term "political subdivision".

Defined terms: "Person" § 1-101
"Political subdivision" § 5-101

5-103. GENERAL RIGHT TO INFORMATION.

(A) GENERAL RIGHT TO INFORMATION.

ALL PERSONS ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ABOUT THE AFFAIRS OF GOVERNMENT AND THE OFFICIAL ACTS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.

(B) GENERAL CONSTRUCTION.

TO CARRY OUT THE RIGHT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS AN UNWARRANTED INVASION OF THE PRIVACY OF A PERSON IN INTEREST WOULD RESULT, THIS PART I OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN FAVOR OF PERMITTING INSPECTION OF A PUBLIC RECORD, WITH THE LEAST COST AND LEAST DELAY TO THE PERSON OR GOVERNMENTAL UNIT THAT REQUESTS THE INSPECTION.

(C) GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THIS PART I OF THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PRECLUDE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM ACQUIRING THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF AND STATISTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSED OR, AS REQUIRED BY A LAW OF THE STATE, REGISTERED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 76A, § 3(f) and the second and third sentences of § 1A.

In subsections (b) and (c) of this section, respectively, the references to "this Part I of this subtitle" are substituted for the former references to "this act" -- i.e., Ch. 1006, Acts of 1978 -- and to "this article" -- former Art. 76A -- for clarity. As to the latter substitution, see revisor's note to § 5-101(a) of this subtitle.

Defined terms: "Person" § 1-101
"Person in interest" § 5-101
"Public record" § 5-101

5-104. INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, A CUSTODIAN SHALL PERMIT A PERSON OR GOVERNMENTAL UNIT TO INSPECT ANY PUBLIC RECORD AT ANY REASONABLE TIME.