

## CREW citizens for responsibility and ethics in washington

December 4, 2018

The Florida Senate
Office of the Secretary
Attention: Public Records
Suite 405 The Capitol
404 South Monroe Street,
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

To Whom It May Concern:

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington ("CREW") and Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence ("Giffords Law Center") make this request for records, regardless of format, medium, or physical characteristics pursuant to Art. 1, s. 24 of the Florida Constitution, s. 11.0431, F.S., and Senate Rule 1.48.

## Specifically, CREW and Giffords Law Center seek:

- 1. All communications dating from January 1, 2017 to the present between the Senate Rules Committee and the National Rifle Association (NRA) or any of its employees, agents, or affiliates, including but not limited to Keely Hopkins, Marion Hammer, Ted Carter, and Sue Carter.
- 2. All communications dating from January 1, 2017 to the present between the Senate Rules Committee and the Florida Gun Owners of America or any of its employees, agents, or affiliates.
- 3. All communications dating from January 1, 2017 to the present between the Senate Rules Committee and the Unified Sportsmen of Florida or any of its employees, agents, or affiliates.
- 4. All communications dating from January 1, 2017 to the present between the Senate Rules Committee and Florida Sport Shooting Association or any of its employees, agents, or affiliates.

This request includes but is not limited to discussions of SB 7026: "Public Safety."

Please search for responsive records regardless of format, medium, or physical characteristics. We seek records of any kind, including paper records, electronic records, audiotapes, videotapes, photographs, data, and graphical material. Our request includes without limitation all correspondence, letters, emails, text messages, facsimiles, telephone messages, voice mail messages, and transcripts, notes,

or minutes of any meetings, telephone conversations, or discussions. Our request also includes any attachments to emails and other records, and email recipients who were cc'ed or bcc'ed.

If the Office of the Secretary is not the custodian of the requested records, please forward the request to the appropriate department, office, or entity in possession or custody of the records.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform CREW if the cost will exceed \$100. However, CREW and Giffords Law Center also request a waiver of all fees because the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest. The public is entitled to information about how groups that seek to influence gun policy legislation communicate with state legislators who introduce such legislation. Further, this information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The law requires that this request be responded to and fulfilled promptly, barring extenuating circumstances (Art. 1, s. 24 of the Florida Constitution, s. 11.0431, F.S., and Senate Rule 1.48). If access to the records CREW and Giffords Law Center are requesting will take an extended period of time, please contact CREW with a written explanation that states when the requested record will be produced and specifies with particularity why the records cannot be produced.

If you have any questions about this request or foresee any problems in fully releasing the requested records, please contact me at (202) 408-5565 or wdavis@citizensforethics.org. CREW also welcomes the opportunity to discuss with you whether and to what extent this request can be narrowed or modified to allow for better processing within Florida state law deadlines. If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify CREW of the appeal procedures available under the law.

Where possible, please produce records in electronic format. Please send the requested records to etadesse@citizensforethics.org or Eden Tadesse, Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, 1101 K St NW, Suite 201, Washington, DC 20005. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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