

Office of the Governor

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Public Information Request

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Sent via: Electronic mail

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Re: Open Records Request

Office of the Governor,

Under the Texas Public Information Act, §6252-17a et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to obtain copies of records that the Office of the Governor has in its possession. I hereby request the following records:

1. All records and information as to Target's bathroom policy;
2. All communication by, through, to and from the Office of the Governor to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Texas Rangers Division, to representatives as to the State of Texas as to the State of Texas investigating Target as to their bathroom policy; and Planned Parenthood;
3. All records and information as to the State of Texas investigating Planned Parenthood;
4. All communication, including but not limited to emails, to and from the Office of the Governor to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, the Texas Attorney General's Office and to other representatives as to the State of Texas as to the investigation of Planned Parenthood and Target;
5. All communication to and from the United States Department of Justice, the United States Attorney's Office and other federal government agencies/entities as to investigating or an investigation into Planned Parenthood and Target.

Please note that virtually all of the information that is in a governmental body's physical possession constitutes public information that is subject to the Act. Id. § 552.022(a)(1); see also Open Records Decision Nos. 549 at 4 (1990), 514 at 1-2 (1988). The Act also is applicable to information that a governmental body does not physically possess, if the information is collected, assembled, or maintained

for the governmental body, and the governmental body owns the information or has a right of access to it. Gov't Code § 552.002(a)(2); see also Open Records Decision No. 462 at 4 (1987).

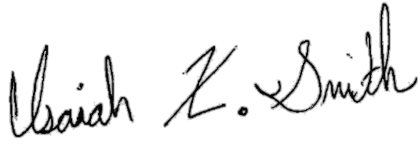
I would like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public understanding of the way in which the government operates, Target's bathroom inclusive policies, the operations of the State of Texas, Planned Parenthood and et cetera. The information that I have requested is in the interest of the general public and has educational contributable value.

The Texas Public Information Act requires that you "promptly produce" the requested records unless, within 10 days, you have sought an Attorney General's Opinion. As provided by the Texas Public Information Act, I will expect your response within ten (10) business days. Twenty (20) days if my request requires substantial programming or manipulation of data. See Tex. Gov't Code Ann. Secs. 552.221(d) and 231(c). If you expect a significant delay in responding to this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. You can reach me via email at: iscampaign@usa.com.

If you deny any or all of this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial and cite each specific statutory exemption(s) you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law. If your "governmental body" wants to seek the Attorney General's Opinion regarding any of our request, I ask that you immediately notify me and then seek a formal decision from the Texas Attorney General not later than ten (10) calendar days from your receipt of this request, as required by the Texas Public Information Act. See Sec. 552.301. I would then ask your governmental body to release to me all of the items in which you have not sought the Attorney General's Opinion on. See Sec. 552.301, 302; see also Open Records Decision No. 664 (2000)(if a governmental body concludes that no exceptions apply to the requested information, it must release the information as soon as possible).

As you may already know that violation of the open records law can result in a fine of up to \$1,000, imprisonment of up to six months, or both. See Tex. Gov't Code Ann. Sec. 552.353(e). Litigation costs and reasonable attorney fees may also be assessed against you. See Sec. 552.323.

I would prefer to receive all of the requested information to me by email. My email address is at: iscampaign@usa.com. You can also send me my requested records by mail at the following mailing address:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Isaiah X. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "X" and a prominent "S" at the end.

Respectfully,

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