

HB1360 • Indiana

Access to public records.

Passed Both Chambers

Risk: Low

Comprehensive

Last Action (Mar 04, 2026): Public Law 97

Summary

HB1360 allows Indiana public agencies to establish electronic portals for public records requests and mandates reporting of suspect requests to the public access counselor.

Business Impact

If you operate in Indiana, you must establish an electronic portal for public records requests by July 1, 2024, or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Section 1: Establishment of electronic portals with CAPTCHA and address verification.
- Section 2: Denial of requests duplicating discovery in ongoing litigation.
- Section 3: Automatic tracking and reporting of suspect requests to the public access counselor when suspected to be automated or from known phishing or data scraping sources.
- Section 4: Supplemental fees for non-resident requests.
- Section 5: Prioritization of requests from Indiana residents and those for civic, journalistic, academic, or personal use.
- Section 6: Public access counselor's annual report to include suspect request information and recommendations to the general assembly, which can establish procedural safeguards.
- Section 7: Agencies may decline requests that could expose systems to unauthorized access or jeopardize security, with mandatory reporting to the public access counselor.

Industries Affected

Technology

Education

Government

Public
Administration

Information
Technology

Official Source

<https://iga.in.gov/legislative/2026/bills/house/1360/details>

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