



September 14, 2020

Members of the Senate Oversight Committee:

The League of Women Voters of Michigan supports passage of House Bills 4007 through 4016 that remove the current exemption from the Freedom of Information Act for the Michigan Legislature, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and executive office employees.

The League of Women Voters believes that democratic government depends upon informed and active participation at all levels of government. The League further believes that governmental bodies must protect the citizen's right to know by giving adequate notice of proposed actions, holding open meetings, and making public records accessible.

We urge you to support House Bills 4007 through 4016 so that the Legislature, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and executive office employees meet the same standards for transparency as other branches of government.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christina Schlitt". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Christina Schlitt
President