

On March 25, 2020, Governor Lamont signed [Executive Order 7M](#). The Order included the following provisions specifically related to the Freedom of Information Act.

Suspension of Mandatory Statutory Filing Requirements for Freedom of Information Act Appeals and Decisions by the Freedom of Information Commission.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 1-206(b)(1), I hereby suspend, for the duration of this public health and civil preparedness emergency:

- (1) the time requirements for filing an appeal with the Freedom of Information Commission, which shall be applicable to any appeal filed on or after the issuance date of this order; and
- (2) the requirement that the Freedom of Information Commission must hear and decide an appeal within one year after the filing of such appeal, which shall be applicable to any appeal pending before such Commission and any appeal filed on or after the issuance date of this order.

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Unless otherwise specified herein, this order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, unless earlier modified or terminated by me.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 25th day of March, 2020.

Ned Lamont
Governor