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The spirit of the FOI laws is to make information accessible to the public and improve government transparency.

- 1. The ability to access matters of the crime and misconduct commission should not be removed as matters it reveals (including ministerial misconduct) are of the highest form of public interest.
- 2. If a person is applying for a job in the public sector and is paid by the public purse they should expect to be watched by the public. Therefor any information taken through job application process in the public sector should be FOIable.

On a positive note I support changes to include government corporations under the Act would allow more transparency into government/business entities and remove the chance of illegal or unethical activity.

Finally communication between ministers and there staff should be available for FOI as the process is after the fact (and therefore cannot be affected at the time by public uncertainty). Ministerial briefings are important in revealing the level of truth of what ministers tell the public and should be available on request.

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