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HOUSE BILL 1170

AN ACT adding a definition of "reasonably described" to the right-to-know law.

SPONSORS: Rep. J. Schmidt, Hills. 28

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill inserts a definition of "reasonably described" for purposes of retrieval of public records under the right-to-know law.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in bold italics. Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.] Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1. New Paragraph; Right-to-Know Law; Definition Added. Amend RSA 91-A:1-a by inserting after paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

VII. "Reasonably described" means a document is identified with necessary specificity to allow a public employee to retrieve it without making an extensive search and, at a minimum, by date or a range of dates not exceeding 30 days, by type, which means by letter, minutes, or a report, and by title or subject matter.

2. Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2021.