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Changes to Sunshine Book Model Public Records Policy Now Online

The Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray's office has advised that two additions to the office's open government resources are now available online at:

www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/Sunshine

The first addition is the Attorney General's Office's revised model public records policy.

Attorney General Cordray is charged by statute with developing and providing this model policy to guide public offices in adopting their own public records policy, as required by Ohio public records law. It is hoped this new policy, which emphasizes a practical application of public records policy at every level of government and promotes openness, is useful to Ohio public offices.

The second addition is the Ohio Sunshine Laws Manual addendum, which makes some changes to the Attorney General's "yellow book."

This addition to the 2009 Ohio Sunshine Laws Manual updates this essential reference book with new cases, legislation, court rules and Ohio Attorney General opinions that have been issued since the book was published in the spring. These changes include the first several cases interpreting the statutory damages and attorney fees provisions added to the Public Records Act in 2007.

You can find these two additions under the publications tab at:

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