

HB 2736 - DIGEST

Creates an independent office of open records and requires the office, with regard to the public records act, to: (1) Provide impartial administrative reviews of appeals by persons or agencies entitled to relief;

(2) Provide information relating to implementation and enforcement;

(3) Provide clear guidelines for an appeal process before the office from decisions of agencies;

(4) Provide training courses for agencies, public officials, and public employees;

(5) Make training materials available at no charge on its web site; and

(6) Employ or contract with attorneys to serve as administrative law judges to review appeals.

Removes the requirement of the attorney general to review an agency's denial of a public record request.