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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure
Senate Judiciary Committee
DOJ File No. 170003-170003

Dear Mr. Wilson,

This letter is the Attorney General's order in response to your petition dated December 4, 2013. In your petition you ask our office to order legislative staff to provide you with records you requested in a letter to Bill Taylor, counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee on November 5. You state that you received no response to your request and argue that the lack of response constitutes a constructive denial.

We respectfully deny your petition. The Oregon State Legislature has a publicly available policy that directs public records requests to the office of the Legislative Administrator. Your letter to Mr. Taylor did not comport with the legislature's policy regarding public records requests. As we have indicated in prior orders, failure to comply with a public body's procedures for requesting records invites some delay into the process. *See, for example*, Public Records Order, May 20, 2008, Harbaugh. We cannot conclude that your request has been constructively denied.

Sincerely,

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