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Ms. Dion, this email is regarding to the current Senate bill proposal SB 1102 that will release unattended death investigation files in the case of unattended deaths to the family. I agree with my fellow Virginia Chief that a review of the file should be sufficient but full disclosure can sometimes open wounds that will never heal. Locally in the past week we had a young man who committed suicide after a series of text messages between the victim and his girlfriend. The young man was in a bad state of mind and his girlfriend was antagonizing him to the point where he got a gun and shot himself. We retrieved the phone with the messages still available and now the family wants the phone returned. When the family eventually reads those messages they will realize that the girlfriend was the catalyst to his death on this night (he was dealing with other issues as well).

So in this case full investigative disclosure would be a detriment to both the victim's family as well as possible retribution and violence toward the girlfriend.

I hope that Mr. Moran can persuade governor to veto this bill and send it back to the senate so they can make the modifications needed to help protect the victims family from addition hardship.

Sincerely,

