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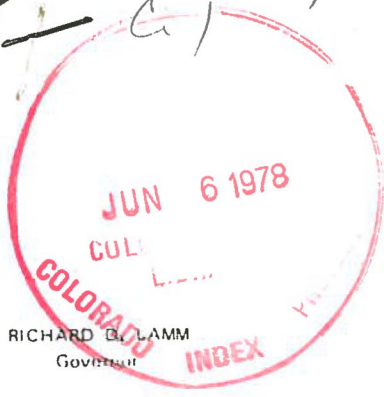


State of Colorado

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

DENVER

RICHARD D. LAMM
Governor



EXECUTIVE ORDER

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR PROVIDING THE PUBLIC WITH REASONABLE
ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

"WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of State government, inclusive of its various departments, agencies, and institutions, is under a continuing duty to provide the public with reasonable access to a vast quantity of public records pursuant to the requirements of part of Article 72, Title 24, C.R.S., 1973, as amended; and

WHEREAS, many public records are stored by the use of computer technology in order to provide a more responsive, uniform, and efficient fulfillment of the duties imposed by law upon the various departments, agencies, and institutions of the Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, the right of public access to such data is further limited by certain provisions of Part 2 Article 72, Title 24, C.R.S. 1973, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in order to preserve and protect the rights of individuals and private businesses against unlawful and unauthorized invasion of privacy and confidentiality, the access to data which is stored on computer equipment owned, leased or operated by an Executive department, agency or institution must be limited by procedural guidelines designed to minimize such unlawful and unauthorized conduct; and

WHEREAS, the process by which such data is accessed and retrieved from computer equipment owned, leased or operated by an Executive department, agency or institution is costly; and

WHEREAS, the resources, necessary to provide direct access to such computer data by all potential governmental and non-governmental users are presently not available to the Executive Branch so as to permit direct access to such data by all who may desire to do so; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. 1973, 24-30-603 and 24-30-605, the Colorado Department of Administration's Division of Automated Data Processing and the Director are empowered to adopt rules and regulations establishing procedures and standards for the management of automated data processing facilities for all State departments, agencies, and institutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws of the State

