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Assistant Attorney General Michael W. Field '97 reports on improvements among state and local agencies in complying with the revised state open records law.

**From the PROVIDENCE JOURNAL:** "[State senate committee told municipalities making gains in APRA compliance in face of criticism](#)" by Katie Mulvaney, Journal Staff Writer



**PROVIDENCE, R.I., Jun. 16, 2015 --** Ten months after a coalition of First Amendment advocates issued a report faulting state and local agencies for approaching the revised state open records law with indifference, "if not outright hostility," a lawyer for the attorney general's office told state senators Monday that towns and cities were largely making gains in meeting the law's standards.

"I think there needs to be acknowledged that there are a lot of competing issues," **Assistant Attorney General Michael W. Field [RWU Law '97]** said of weighing records requests at a hearing before the Senate Committee on Government Oversight on compliance with the revised Access to Public Records Act. [...]

**Field detailed** the overall results of those complaints for the committee Monday. [...]