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In case you missed it:

Michigan continues to have the weakest anti-corruption laws of any state in the nation.

As the Rachel Maddow Show reported on last night, the Flint water crisis is a terrible reminder that our state continues to exempt the Governor's office and state legislators from transparency laws (FOIA) designed to hold politicians and our government accountable. This exemption from FOIA only making things worse... much worse.

"Common Cause Michigan calls on the Governor to drop his executive privilege and submit all documents and correspondence in the executive office on all matters dealing with the Flint water crisis to Freedom of Information Act requests. The public deserves to know why Flint's children were poisoned with lead. In addition, Michigan should end special exemption from FOIA and subject the Governor's Office and the Legislature to the same transparency laws that 48 other states follow," said Melanie McElroy, Executive Director of Common Cause Michigan.

To watch the Rachael Maddow segment from last night please [follow this link](#).