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Offered By

AMEND House Amendment No. _____ to House Bill No. 657, Page 1, Line 1, by inserting after the number "657," the following:

"Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"610.020. 1. All public governmental bodies shall give notice of the time, date, and place of each meeting, and its tentative agenda, in a manner reasonably calculated to advise the public of the matters to be considered, and if the meeting will be conducted by telephone or other electronic means, the notice of the meeting shall identify the mode by which the meeting will be conducted and the designated location where the public may observe and attend the meeting. If a public body plans to meet by internet chat, internet message board, or other computer link, it shall post a notice of the meeting on its website in addition to its principal office and shall notify the public how to access that meeting. Reasonable notice shall include making available copies of the notice to any representative of the news media who requests notice of meetings of a particular public governmental body concurrent with the notice being made available to the members of the particular governmental body and posting the notice on a bulletin board or other prominent place which is easily accessible to the public and clearly designated for that purpose at the principal office of the body holding the meeting, or if no such office exists, at the building in which the meeting is to be held.

2. Notice conforming with all of the requirements of subsection 1 of this section shall be given at least twenty-four hours, exclusive of weekends and holidays when the facility is closed, prior to the commencement of any meeting of a governmental body unless for good cause such notice is impossible or impractical, in which case as much notice as is reasonably possible shall be given. Each meeting shall be held at a place reasonably accessible to the public and of sufficient size to accommodate the anticipated attendance by members of the public, and at a time reasonably convenient to the public, unless for good cause such a place or time is impossible or impractical. Every reasonable effort shall be made to grant special access to the meeting to handicapped or disabled individuals.

3. A public body shall allow for the recording by audiotape, videotape, or other electronic means of any open meeting. A public body may establish guidelines regarding the manner in which such recording is conducted so as to minimize disruption to the meeting. No audio recording of any meeting, record, or vote closed pursuant to the provisions of section 610.021 shall be permitted without permission of the public body; any person who violates this provision shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

Action Taken _____ Date _____

1 4. When it is necessary to hold a meeting on less than twenty-four hours' notice, [~~or at a~~
2 ~~place that is not reasonably accessible to the public~~] or when the meeting will be conducted
3 exclusively electronically, or at a time that is not reasonably convenient to the public, the nature of
4 the good cause justifying that departure from the normal requirements shall be stated in the minutes.
5 Meetings held in-person and not otherwise subject to being closed under section 610.021 shall be
6 conducted in a manner that allows physical in-person public attendance.

7 5. A formally constituted subunit of a parent governmental body may conduct a meeting
8 without notice as required by this section during a lawful meeting of the parent governmental body,
9 a recess in that meeting, or immediately following that meeting, if the meeting of the subunit is
10 publicly announced at the parent meeting and the subject of the meeting reasonably coincides with
11 the subjects discussed or acted upon by the parent governmental body.

12 6. If another provision of law requires a manner of giving specific notice of a meeting,
13 hearing or an intent to take action by a governmental body, compliance with that section shall
14 constitute compliance with the notice requirements of this section.

15 7. A journal or minutes of open and closed meetings shall be taken and retained by the
16 public governmental body, including, but not limited to, a record of any votes taken at such meeting.
17 The minutes shall include the date, time, place, members present, members absent and a record of
18 any votes taken. When a roll call vote is taken, the minutes shall attribute each "yea" and "nay" vote
19 or abstinence if not voting to the name of the individual member of the public governmental body.";
20 and

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22 Further amend bill,"; and

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24 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
25 accordingly.

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27 THIS AMENDMENT AMENDS 1465H01.04H.