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Offered By

AMEND House Amendment No. ____ to House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 222, Page 1, Line 22, by deleting said line and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"the installation, maintenance, or operation of an electric vehicle charging station.

67.2727. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Governing body", the governing body of a political subdivision;

(2) "Meeting", any meeting of a governing body;

(3) "Political subdivision", any county, city, town, or village.

2. Before July 1, 2024, each governing body shall adopt a meeting speaker policy to ensure that the requirements listed in this subsection are followed at each meeting of the governing body:

(1) Each governing body shall designate a time for public comment at the beginning of each regular public meeting. Such public comment period shall be available to residents, businesses, and taxpayers of the political subdivision and shall be subject to reasonable rules requiring decorum and civility in the meeting space;

(2) No governing body shall restrict the category or content of remarks during such public comment period;

(3) A governing body may set a time limit on any individual who desires to speak at a meeting. Each such time limit shall designate not less than three minutes per speaker. The governing body may limit the public comment period to one hour of actual testimony or twenty speakers, whichever is less based on the number of minutes designated per speaker. If the time designated for the public comment period expires and additional speakers were not afforded the time to speak, such additional speakers shall have the opportunity to speak at the public comment period of the next regular public meeting and the governing body shall provide an alternate method of communicating such additional speakers' concerns to the governing body;

(4) Each governing body may request identifying information of each individual desiring to speak, but shall not require any information other than the name and address of the individual as a condition of speaking;

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1 (5) No governing body shall ban an individual from attending or remove an individual from
2 participating in a meeting unless such individual is banned or removed because such individual
3 commits the offense of peace disturbance as provided in section 574.010, has previously been
4 removed from a meeting and issued a summons for the offense of peace disturbance under section
5 574.010, or is prohibited from being on property of the political subdivision under state law; and

6 (6) Each governing body shall provide a method for an individual who is unable to attend
7 the public comment period of a meeting to submit a written statement. Any such written statement
8 submitted before the beginning of the meeting shall be provided to the governing body and made
9 available to all individuals attending such meeting and to the public upon request unless such
10 written statement violates the policies or rules established for the public comment period.

11 3. If it is necessary to hold a meeting on less than twenty-four hours' notice, or if the
12 meeting will be conducted exclusively electronically, or at a time that is not reasonably convenient
13 to the public, the nature of the good cause justifying that departure from the normal requirements
14 shall be stated in the minutes. Meetings held in person and not otherwise subject to being closed
15 under section 610.021 shall be conducted in a manner that allows physical in-person public
16 attendance."; and";and

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18 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
19 accordingly.
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21 THIS AMENDS 1229H03.17H.