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- 1 AN ACT concerning open meetings.
- 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The Open Meetings Act is amended by changing
- 5 Sections 2.02 and 2.06 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 120/2.02) (from Ch. 102, par. 42.02)
- 7 Sec. 2.02. Public notice of all meetings, whether open
- 8 or closed to the public, shall be given as follows: (a) Every public body shall give public notice of the 9 schedule of regular meetings at the beginning of each 10 calendar or fiscal year and shall state the regular dates, 11 times, and places of such meetings. An agenda for each 12 13 regular meeting shall be posted at the principal office of the public body, on the public body's website if the public 14 body has a website that the staff of the public body 15 16 maintains, and at the location where the meeting is to be held at least 48 hours in advance of the holding of the 17 18 meeting. The requirement of a regular meeting agenda shall not preclude the consideration of items not specifically set 19 20 forth in the agenda. Public notice of any special meeting except a meeting held in the event of a bona fide emergency, 21 22 or of any rescheduled regular meeting, or of any reconvened meeting, shall be given at least 48 hours before such 23 meeting, which notice shall also include the agenda for the 24 special, rescheduled, or reconvened meeting, but the validity 25 of any action taken by the public body which is germane to a 26 27 subject on the agenda shall not be affected by other errors or omissions in the agenda. The requirement of public notice 28 29 of reconvened meetings does not apply to any case where the

meeting was open to the public and (1) it is to be reconvened

within 24 hours, or (2) an announcement of the time and place

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of the reconvened meeting was made at the original meeting

- 2 and there is no change in the agenda. Notice of an emergency
- 3 meeting shall be given as soon as practicable, but in any
- 4 event prior to the holding of such meeting, to any news
- 5 medium which has filed an annual request for notice under
- 6 subsection (b) of this Section.
- 7 (b) Public notice shall be given (i) by posting a notice
- 8 on the public body's website if the public body has a website
- 9 that the staff of the public body maintains and (ii) by
- 10 posting a copy of the notice at the principal office of the
- 11 body holding the meeting or, if no such office exists, at the
- 12 building in which the meeting is to be held. The body shall
- 13 supply copies of the notice of its regular meetings, and of
- 14 the notice of any special, emergency, rescheduled or
- 15 reconvened meeting, to any news medium that has filed an
- 16 annual request for such notice. Any such news medium shall
- 17 also be given the same notice of all special, emergency,
- 18 rescheduled or reconvened meetings in the same manner as is
- 19 given to members of the body provided such news medium has
- 20 given the public body an address or telephone number within
- 21 the territorial jurisdiction of the public body at which such
- 22 notice may be given.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 88-621, eff. 1-1-95; 89-86, eff. 6-30-95.)
- 24 (5 ILCS 120/2.06) (from Ch. 102, par. 42.06)
- Sec. 2.06. (a) All public bodies shall keep written
- 26 minutes of all their meetings, whether open or closed. Such
- 27 minutes shall include, but need not be limited to:
- 28 (1) the date, time and place of the meeting;
- 29 (2) the members of the public body recorded as
- 30 either present or absent; and
- 31 (3) a summary of discussion on all matters
- 32 proposed, deliberated, or decided, and a record of any
- 33 votes taken.

- 1 (b) The minutes of meetings open to the public shall be 2 available for public inspection within 7 days of the approval of such minutes by the public body. Minutes of meetings 3 4 closed to the public shall be available only after the public 5 body determines that it is no longer necessary to protect the 6 public interest or the privacy of an individual by keeping 7 them confidential. At the same time it complies with the other requirements of this subsection, a public body that has 8 9 a website that the staff of the public body maintains shall post the minutes on that website. 10
- 11 (c) Each public body shall periodically, but no less than semi-annually, meet to review minutes of all closed 12 meetings. At such meetings a determination shall be made, 13 and reported in an open session that (1) the need for 14 confidentiality still exists as to all or part of those 15 16 minutes or (2) that the minutes or portions thereof no longer require confidential treatment and are available for public 17 inspection. 18
- 19 (Source: P.A. 88-621, eff. 1-1-95.)