

1-1 By: Johnson, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Middleton) H.B. No. 2520
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2025;
 1-3 May 5, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Business
 1-4 & Commerce; May 22, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 22, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the open meetings law.
 1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-23 SECTION 1. Section 551.001(3), Government Code, is amended
 1-24 to read as follows:
 1-25 (3) "Governmental body" means:
 1-26 (A) a board, commission, department, committee,
 1-27 or agency within the executive or legislative branch of state
 1-28 government that is directed by one or more elected or appointed
 1-29 members;
 1-30 (B) a county commissioners court in the state;
 1-31 (C) a municipal governing body in the state;
 1-32 (D) a deliberative body that has rulemaking or
 1-33 quasi-judicial power and that is classified as a department,
 1-34 agency, or political subdivision of a county or municipality;
 1-35 (E) a school district board of trustees;
 1-36 (F) a county board of school trustees;
 1-37 (G) a county board of education;
 1-38 (H) the governing board of a special district
 1-39 created by law;
 1-40 (I) a local workforce development board created
 1-41 under Section 2308.253;
 1-42 (J) a nonprofit corporation that is eligible to
 1-43 receive funds under the federal community services block grant
 1-44 program and that is authorized by this state to serve a geographic
 1-45 area of the state;
 1-46 (K) a nonprofit corporation organized under
 1-47 Chapter 67, Water Code, that provides a water supply or wastewater
 1-48 service, or both, and is exempt from ad valorem taxation under
 1-49 Section 11.30, Tax Code;
 1-50 (L) a joint board created under Section 22.074,
 1-51 Transportation Code; ~~and~~
 1-52 (M) a board of directors of a reinvestment zone
 1-53 created under Chapter 311, Tax Code; and
 1-54 (N) a board of managers appointed under Chapter
 1-55 39A, Education Code.
 1-56 SECTION 2. Section 551.041, Government Code, is amended to
 1-57 read as follows:
 1-58 Sec. 551.041. NOTICE OF MEETING REQUIRED. (a) A
 1-59 governmental body shall give written notice of the date, hour,
 1-60 place, and subject of each meeting held by the governmental body.
 1-61 (b) The notice must include an agenda for the meeting that

2-1 is the subject of the notice that:

2-2 (1) is sufficiently specific to inform the public of
2-3 each subject to be considered in the open portion of the meeting,
2-4 including any matter:

2-5 (A) that is special or unusual; or

2-6 (B) in which the public may have a particular
2-7 interest; and

2-8 (2) describes any subject to be considered in the
2-9 closed portion of the meeting, if applicable.

2-10 SECTION 3. Section 551.074, Government Code, is amended to
2-11 read as follows:

2-12 Sec. 551.074. PERSONNEL MATTERS; CLOSED MEETING. (a) This
2-13 chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open
2-14 meeting:

2-15 (1) to deliberate the appointment, employment,
2-16 evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a
2-17 specific public officer or employee; or

2-18 (2) to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or
2-19 employee.

2-20 (b) Subsection (a) does not apply if:

2-21 (1) the officer or employee who is the subject of the
2-22 deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing; or

2-23 (2) the governmental body's deliberations under
2-24 Subsection (a)(1) concern operational issues that generally impact
2-25 a class or group of employees, including changes in the duties or
2-26 compensation of a class or group of employees.

2-27 SECTION 4. Section 551.083, Government Code, is repealed.

2-28 SECTION 5. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
2-29 a meeting of a governmental body held on or after the effective date
2-30 of this Act.

2-31 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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