

By: Howard of Fort Bend

H.B. No. 3943

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the requirement to post notice of the subject of a
3 meeting under the open meetings law as the requirement relates to
4 reports about items of community interest at a city council
5 meeting.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 551, Government Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 551.0415 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 551.0415. GOVERNING BODY OF MUNICIPALITY: REPORTS
10 ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST REGARDING WHICH NO ACTION WILL BE
11 TAKEN. Notwithstanding Sections 551.041 and 551.042, a quorum of
12 the governing body of a municipality may receive from municipal
13 staff and a member of the governing body may make a report about
14 items of community interest during a meeting of the governing body
15 without having given notice of the subject of the report as required
16 by this subchapter if no action is taken and, except as provided by
17 Section 551.042, possible action is not discussed regarding the
18 information provided in the report.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.