

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Open Government, Select

**FROM:** John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: SB1906** by Wentworth (relating to certain notice requirements for municipalities and counties under the open meetings law.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Government Code to specify that notwithstanding Sections 551.041 and 551.042, a quorum of the governing body of a county may receive from staff of the political subdivision and a member of the governing body may make a report about items of community interest during a meeting without giving notice of the subject if no action is taken and possible action is not discussed regarding the information in the report.

The bill also would require a municipal governmental body to post notice of each meeting on a physical or an electronic bulletin board at a place convenient to the public in the city hall. The bill includes the definition of "electronic bulletin board" as a means of electronic communication system that a governmental body can post messages or notices viewable by the public.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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