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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT

- 2 relating to the online broadcast of open meetings of institutions
- 3 of higher education.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 551.121(f), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (f) Each part of the telephone conference call meeting that
- 8 is required to be open to the public <u>must</u> [shall] be:
- 9 <u>(1)</u> audible to the public at the location specified in
- 10 the notice of the meeting as the location of the meeting;
- 11 (2) broadcast over the Internet in the manner
- 12 prescribed by Section 551.128; and
- 13 <u>(3)</u> [shall be] recorded and [. The recording shall be]
- 14 made available to the public in an online archive located on the
- 15 Internet website of the entity holding the meeting.
- 16 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
- 17 a meeting for which notice is posted under Section 551.043,
- 18 Government Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 19 Meetings for which notice is posted before the effective date of
- 20 this Act are governed by the law in effect at that time.
- 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.