

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 27
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 10, 2014; January 26, 2015,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;
1-4 April 7, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
1-5 Nays 0; April 7, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the online broadcast of open meetings of institutions
1-18 of higher education.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 551.121(f), Government Code, is amended
1-21 to read as follows:

1-22 (f) Each part of the telephone conference call meeting that
1-23 is required to be open to the public must ~~[shall]~~ be:

1-24 (1) audible to the public at the location specified in
1-25 the notice of the meeting as the location of the meeting;

1-26 (2) broadcast over the Internet in the manner
1-27 prescribed by Section 551.128; and

1-28 (3) ~~[shall be]~~ recorded and ~~[. The recording shall be]~~
1-29 made available to the public in an online archive located on the
1-30 Internet website of the entity holding the meeting.

1-31 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
1-32 a meeting for which notice is posted under Section 551.043,
1-33 Government Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.
1-34 Meetings for which notice is posted before the effective date of
1-35 this Act are governed by the law in effect at that time.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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