

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

is the subject of the notice that:

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

(A) that is special or unusual; or

(B) in which the public may have a particular interest; and

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

SECTION 3. Section 551.074, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

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

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

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

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply if:

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

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

SECTION 4. Section 551.083, Government Code, is repealed.

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

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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