

By Senator Legg

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to public meetings; amending s.
3 286.011, F.S.; requiring that the notice of a public
4 meeting include a description of each matter to be
5 considered at such meeting; prohibiting the board or
6 commission of an agency or authority of the state, a
7 county, a municipality, or a political subdivision
8 from acting upon a matter at a public meeting which
9 was not included in the notice of such meeting;
10 providing an exception for certain emergency matters
11 upon the approval of a super majority of the members
12 of the board or commission; providing applicability;
13 providing an effective date.

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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17 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 286.011, Florida
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 286.011 Public meetings and records; public inspection;
20 criminal and civil penalties.—

21 (1) All meetings of a any board or commission of a any
22 state agency or authority or of an any agency or authority of a
23 ~~any~~ county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision,
24 except as otherwise provided in the Constitution, including
25 meetings with or attended by a any person elected to such board
26 or commission, but who has not yet taken office, at which
27 official acts are to be taken are declared to be public meetings
28 open to the public at all times, and no resolution, rule, or
29 formal action shall be considered binding except as taken or

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30 made at such meeting. The board or commission must provide
31 reasonable notice of all such meetings which shall include a
32 specific description of each matter to be considered by the
33 board or commission at such meeting. A board or commission may
34 not act upon any matter at a public meeting which was not
35 included in the notice of such meeting unless the matter
36 concerns an impending public health, safety, welfare, or other
37 emergency that requires immediate action, and the consideration
38 of the matter is approved by a super majority of the members of
39 the board or commission. This subsection does not limit the
40 application of any other provision of law, a charter, an
41 ordinance, or a rule that imposes additional or more restrictive
42 notice requirements on a board or commission.

43 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.