

HB3347



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Sharon Chung

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 120/2.01

from Ch. 102, par. 42.01

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that a public body that is a licensing board authorized by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may conduct a public meeting through an interactive video or telephone system without any members being present at any physical meeting location, provided that a quorum of members is participating and the public body provides public notice and public access consistent with the requirements of the Act.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Open Meetings Act is amended by changing
5 Section 2.01 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 120/2.01) (from Ch. 102, par. 42.01)

7 Sec. 2.01. All meetings required by this Act to be public
8 shall be held at specified times and places which are
9 convenient and open to the public. No meeting required by this
10 Act to be public shall be held on a legal holiday unless the
11 regular meeting day falls on that holiday.

12 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, a quorum of
13 members of a public body must be physically present at the
14 location of an open meeting. If, however, an open meeting of a
15 public body (i) with statewide jurisdiction, (ii) that is an
16 Illinois library system with jurisdiction over a specific
17 geographic area of more than 4,500 square miles, (iii) that is
18 a municipal transit district with jurisdiction over a specific
19 geographic area of more than 4,500 square miles, or (iv) that
20 is a local workforce investment area with jurisdiction over a
21 specific geographic area of more than 4,500 square miles is
22 held simultaneously at one of its offices and one or more other
23 locations in a public building, which may include other of its

1 offices, through an interactive video conference and the
2 public body provides public notice and public access as
3 required under this Act for all locations, then members
4 physically present in those locations all count towards
5 determining a quorum. "Public building", as used in this
6 Section, means any building or portion thereof owned or leased
7 by any public body. The requirement that a quorum be
8 physically present at the location of an open meeting shall
9 not apply, however, to State advisory boards or bodies that do
10 not have authority to make binding recommendations or
11 determinations or to take any other substantive action.

12 Notwithstanding any other requirement of this Section, a
13 public body that is a licensing board authorized by the
14 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may
15 conduct a public meeting through an interactive video or
16 telephone system without any members being present at any
17 physical meeting location, provided that a quorum of members
18 is participating and the public body provides public notice
19 and public access consistent with the requirements of this
20 Act.

21 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, a quorum of
22 members of a public body that is not (i) a public body with
23 statewide jurisdiction, (ii) an Illinois library system with
24 jurisdiction over a specific geographic area of more than
25 4,500 square miles, (iii) a municipal transit district with
26 jurisdiction over a specific geographic area of more than

1 4,500 square miles, or (iv) a local workforce innovation area
2 with jurisdiction over a specific geographic area of more than
3 4,500 square miles must be physically present at the location
4 of a closed meeting. Other members who are not physically
5 present at a closed meeting of such a public body may
6 participate in the meeting by means of a video or audio
7 conference. For the purposes of this Section, "local workforce
8 innovation area" means any local workforce innovation area or
9 areas designated by the Governor pursuant to the federal
10 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act or its reauthorizing
11 legislation.

12 (Source: P.A. 100-477, eff. 9-8-17; 101-640, eff. 6-12-20.)