

HB 1676 - DIGEST

Authorizes a governing body of a public agency to record its closed executive session meetings. Those recordings are exempt from public disclosure, inspection, or copying, unless disclosure of specific recordings is explicitly authorized by resolution of the governing body.

Requires the attorney general's office to publish, and update when appropriate, a pamphlet explaining chapter 42.30 RCW (the open public meetings act) written in plain language.

Requires the attorney general, with assistance from a committee of stakeholders, to adopt advisory model rules for agencies, governmental entities, and advisory committees subject to the open public meetings act.

Directs the attorney general and the state auditor to appoint an advisory committee of public and governmental entity representatives to make recommendations on the adoption of the advisory model rules.