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- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:
- 3 "Sec. 1. RCW 42.30.080 and 2005 c 273 s 1 are each amended to read 4 as follows:
 - (1) A special meeting may be called at any time by the presiding officer of the governing body of a public agency or by a majority of the members of the governing body by delivering written notice personally, by mail, by fax, or by electronic mail to each member of the governing body((; and)). Written notice shall be deemed waived in the following circumstances:
- 11 <u>(a) A member submits a written waiver of notice with the clerk or</u>
 12 <u>secretary of the governing body at or prior to the time the meeting</u>
 13 <u>convenes. A written waiver may be given by telegram, fax, or</u>
 14 <u>electronic mail; or</u>
- 15 (b) A member is actually present at the time the meeting convenes.
- 16 (2) Notice of a special meeting called under subsection (1) of this section shall be:
 - (a) <u>Delivered</u> to each local newspaper of general circulation and ((to each)) local radio or television station ((which)) that has on file with the governing body a written request to be notified of such special meeting or of all special meetings;
 - (b) Posted on the agency's web site, if any;
- (c) Prominently displayed at the main entrance of the agency's principal location and the meeting site if it is not held at the agency's principal location; and
- 26 (d) Delivered to individuals who reside in a voting district for 27 which the governing body has fewer than one thousand registered voters 28 and who have a written request to be notified of special meetings on 29 file with the governing body. Individuals requesting to be notified of

special meetings may receive the notice by fax, electronic mail, or telephonic message.

Such notice must be delivered ((personally, by mail, by fax, or by electronic mail)) or posted, as applicable, at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting as specified in the notice.

(3) The call and notices required under subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. Final disposition shall not be taken on any other matter at such meetings by the governing body. ((Such written notice may be dispensed with as to any member who at or prior to the time the meeting convenes files with the clerk or secretary of the governing body a written waiver of notice. Such waiver may be given by telegram, by fax, or electronic mail. Such written notice may also be dispensed with as to any member who is actually present at the meeting at the time it convenes.))

(4) The notices provided in this section may be dispensed with in the event a special meeting is called to deal with an emergency involving injury or damage to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage, when time requirements of such notice would make notice impractical and increase the likelihood of such injury or damage."

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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "meetings;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 42.30.080."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Rearranges and rephrases the statute to make it more reader friendly. Requires governing bodies to post notice of special meetings on their web site, if they have one, and post notice at the

entrance of the agency's principal location and at the meeting site if it is different.

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