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1 AN ACT Relating to open meetings of subgroups of a public agency 2 governing body; and amending RCW 42.30.030.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 Sec. 1. RCW 42.30.030 and 1971 ex.s. c 250 s 3 are each amended 5 to read as follows:

6 (1) All meetings of the governing body of a public agency shall 7 be open and public and all persons shall be permitted to attend any 8 meeting of the governing body of a public agency, except as otherwise 9 provided in this chapter.

10 (2) Any subcommittee, task force, advisory group, or other work 11 group created by an action of a governing body, and whose membership 12 includes any member of that governing body, must:

13 (a) Make any meeting open to the public if the meeting relates to 14 a decision to make any policy or fiscal recommendations to a 15 governing body; and

16 (b) Provide notice of the purpose of any such meeting online no 17 later than twenty-four hours in advance of the published start time 18 of the meeting.

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