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Abstract: Authorizes legislators to attend any meeting of any public body, including those held in private or executive session.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes legislators to attend any meeting of any state board, commission, agency, or committee and specifies that such attendance shall be permitted at both public meetings and those held in private or executive session.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides instead that legislators may attend any meeting of a public body and specifies that such attendance shall be permitted at both public meetings and those held in private or executive session. Defines "public body" in the same manner as <u>present law</u> (R.S. 44:1, relative to public records) which provides that the phrase "public body" means any branch, department, office, agency, board, commission, district, governing authority, political subdivision, or any committee, subcommittee, advisory board, or task force thereof, any other instrumentality of state, parish, or municipal government, including a public or quasi-public nonprofit corporation designated as an entity to perform a governmental or proprietary function, or an affiliate of a housing authority.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 24:8)