

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 95

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 42:19(A)(1)(b)(ii)(dd), relative to public meetings of certain
3 public bodies; to provide for the use of a consent agenda at meetings of certain parish
4 governing authorities and certain school boards; to provide for the population
5 parameters used to identify certain parish governing authorities and school boards;
6 and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 42:19(A)(1)(b)(ii)(dd) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
9 follows:

10 §19. Notice of meetings

11 A.(1)

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13 (b)

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15 (ii)

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17 (dd) If an agenda of a meeting of a either the parish governing authority or
18 the parish school board ~~of in~~ a parish with a population of ~~two hundred~~ one hundred
19 twenty-five thousand or more according to the latest federal decennial census or the
20 governing authority of a municipality with a population of one hundred thousand or
21 more according to the latest federal decennial census contains more than fifty items,
22 the governing authority or school board may take action on items listed on a consent
23 agenda without reading the description of each item aloud. However, before any
24 action is taken on items listed on a consent agenda, the governing authority or school

1 board shall allow a public comment period. Any item listed on a consent agenda
 2 may be removed from the consent agenda by an individual member of the governing
 3 authority or school board if a person objects to the presence of the item on the
 4 consent agenda and provides reasons for individual discussion at the meeting. The
 5 name of the person who objects to a consent agenda item and the reasons for the
 6 objection shall be included in the minutes of the meeting.

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 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

 GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____