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Requires governing authorities of parishes and municipalities to make meeting agendas, minutes, and votes available on the Internet

Purpose of Bill: This measure will require that the governing authorities of all parishes and municipalities that have established an official website for their respective parish or municipality post online, at least 24 hours prior to any meeting, the agenda of the meeting of the governing body. They shall also post each motion that was made, who made it, whether the motion passed, the vote of each member of the governing body on each agenda item, and a link to all ordinances and resolutions that appeared on the agenda within a week following the adjournment of any meeting.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The effect on governmental expenditures is indeterminable as a result of this measure. Louisiana has 307 municipalities and 63 police jury/consolidated governments. We polled several entities around the state and were told the following:

Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council: According to an official, meeting agendas are currently posted in accordance with this measure. Therefore, there is no anticipated fiscal impact regarding the posting of agendas. However, the official informed us that they may have trouble posting meeting minutes within a week following the adjournment of a meeting based on current practices. In addition, according to the official, the council does not currently have the technology available to post a link to all ordinances and resolutions that appeared on the agenda. Therefore, the fiscal impact on the Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council regarding these posting requirements is indeterminable.

Ouachita Parish Police Jury: According to an official, meeting agendas are currently posted in accordance with this measure. Therefore, there is no anticipated fiscal impact regarding the posting of agendas. However, the official informed us that they may not be able to comply with the posting requirements for minutes, based on current practices. Posting ordinances and resolutions that appeared on an agenda can likely be accomplished using current resources. Therefore, the fiscal impact on the Ouachita Parish Police Jury as a result of this measure is indeterminable.

Lafourche Parish Police Jury: According to an official, the agendas and minutes of meetings are presently posted on the website in accordance with this measure. Therefore, there is no anticipated impact on expenditures.

City of New Orleans: According to an official, the agendas and minutes of meetings are presently posted on the website in accordance with this measure. Therefore, there is no anticipated impact on expenditures.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}
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