



## Open Government Impact Statement

81st Oregon Legislative Assembly  
2021 Regular Session

## Measure: HB 2222

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### SUMMARY

Modifies definition of "meeting" for purposes of public meetings law to state that meeting may occur without regard to location or stated purpose for which members of governing body convene. Excludes one-on-one meetings of two members of governing body from definition of "meeting," even if serial one-on-one meetings take place between members of governing body.

Establishes affirmative duty of chief administrative officer of public body or employee of public body who routinely and customarily advises governing body on public meetings law requirements to advise governing body on whether meeting content qualifies for executive session. Establishes joint and several liability for specified public body officers and employees who, with willful misconduct, fail or incorrectly advise governing body of meeting content's eligibility for executive session.

Authorizes Oregon Government Ethics Commission to adopt rules establishing criteria for when official or employee of public body has affirmative duty to advise on meeting content qualification for executive session. Authorizes commission to impose civil penalties on members of governing body or specified officers or employees of public body for conducting executive sessions in which meeting content does not meet executive session requirements.

## **NOTICE OF NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT**