

SB 11 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 2/21, 3/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires state boards or commissions that conduct public meetings through telephone or other electronic means to record and promptly publish meeting recording on website or hosting service so that public may observe or listen to meetings free of charge. Exempts from requirement meetings lawfully conducted in executive session.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current law ([ORS 192.670](#) and [192.672](#)) allows state boards or commissions to conduct public meetings through telephone or other electronic means, in accordance with public meetings law. The public must be given at least one place where, or one electronic method by which, the meeting can be observed, and must be given the opportunity to access and attend the meeting. Statute is silent regarding recording meetings held in this format.

Senate Bill 11 requires state boards or commissions that conduct public meetings through telephone or other electronic means, in accordance with public meetings law, to record and promptly publish the meeting on a publicly accessible website or hosting service.