Senate Bill 11

Sponsored by Senator GORSEK (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

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

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to public meetings of state government entities; amending ORS 192.672.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 192.672 is amended to read:

192.672. (1) A state board or commission may meet through telephone or other electronic means in accordance with ORS 192.610 to 192.690.

(2)(a) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072 or 292.495, a member of a state board or commission who attends a meeting through telephone or other electronic means is not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses for attending the meeting.

(b) A state board or commission may compensate or reimburse a member, other than a member who is a member of the Legislative Assembly, who attends a meeting through telephone or other electronic means as provided in ORS 292.495 at the discretion of the board or commission.

(3)(a) A state board or commission that meets through telephone or other electronic means in accordance with ORS 192.610 to 192.690 shall record and promptly publish the meeting on a publicly accessible website or hosting service, so that members of the public may without charge:

(A) Observe a recording of the meeting if the meeting was conducted through videoconferencing technology; or

(B) Listen to a recording of the meeting if the meeting was conducted through teleconferencing technology that did not include video capabilities.

(b) The requirement that a meeting be published under this subsection does not apply to that portion of a state board or commission meeting that was lawfully held in executive session under ORS 192.660 or other law.