

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2217

5 By: Representative Pickett
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT NOTICE IS PROVIDED TO THE
10 PUBLIC OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF
11 DIRECTORS' MEETINGS; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL
12 DISTRICTS TO PUBLISH MEETING NOTICES ON PUBLIC
13 SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF PUBLIC
16 SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS'
17 MEETINGS ON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
18 WEBSITES.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-13-619(a), concerning meetings of school
25 district boards of directors, is amended to read as follows:

26 (a)(1) The board of directors shall hold regular monthly meetings
27 during the school term and shall meet on call of the president or secretary
28 or any three (3) members of the board of directors or when petitioned to do
29 so by a petition in writing signed by fifty (50) electors in the school
30 district.

31 (2) Regular meetings of the school board and all school board
32 committees, and special meetings of the school board and school board
33 committees that deal with personnel or personnel policies, shall, except in
34 emergency situations, be held after 5:00 p.m.

35 (3) The board of directors shall publish notice of its regular
36 and special meetings and of any public session reconvened after an executive



1 session as provided in § 25-19-106.

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3 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-19-106(b), concerning notice of public
4 meetings, is amended to read as follows:

5 (b)(1)(A) The time and place of each regular meeting shall be
6 furnished to anyone who requests the information.

7 (B)(i) Not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of a
8 regularly scheduled meeting of its board of directors, a public school
9 district shall publish on the public school district's website a notice of
10 the date, time, and place of the meeting.

11 (ii) Not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to a
12 rescheduled meeting, a public school district shall publish a notice on its
13 website of the change in the date, time, or place of a regularly scheduled
14 meeting.

15 (2)(A) In the event of emergency or special meetings, the person
16 calling the meeting shall notify the representatives of the newspapers, radio
17 stations, and television stations, if any, located in the county in which the
18 meeting is to be held and any news media located elsewhere that cover regular
19 meetings of the governing body and that have requested to be so notified of
20 emergency or special meetings of the time, place, and date of the meeting.

21 (B) Notification shall be made at least two (2) hours
22 before the meeting takes place in order that the public shall have
23 representatives at the meeting.

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