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SENATE BILL NO. 116

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Office of the Governor

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to improve online access to information concerning state
2 boards, commissions, and departments.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 1-25-1.3 be amended to read:

5 1-25-1.3. The state and each state board, commission, or department shall provide public
6 notice, with proposed agenda, that is visible, readable, and accessible to the public for at least
7 two continuous days, as that time period is computed pursuant to § 15-6-6(a), immediately
8 preceding any meeting, by posting a copy of the notice at the principal office of the ~~public body~~
9 board, commission, or department holding the meeting. The proposed agenda shall include the
10 date, time, and location of the meeting. The notice shall also be posted on ~~the public body's~~
11 ~~website upon dissemination of the notice, if such a website exists~~ a state website, designated by
12 the commissioner of the Bureau of Finance and Management. For any special or rescheduled
13 meeting, the information in the notice shall be delivered in person, by mail, by email, or by
14 telephone, to members of the local news media who have requested notice. For any special or
15 rescheduled meeting, each ~~public body~~ state board, commission, or department shall also



1 comply with the public notice provisions of this section for a regular meeting to the extent that
2 circumstances permit. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

3 Section 2. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

4 Any state board, commission, or department that is required to provide public notice of its
5 meetings pursuant to § 1-25-1.3 shall make available on a state website designated by the
6 commissioner of the Bureau of Finance and Management:

- 7 (1) Financial statements;
- 8 (2) Audit reports;
- 9 (3) A list of the members of the board or commission;
- 10 (4) A schedule of future meetings;
- 11 (5) Public meeting materials that are available before a public meeting;
- 12 (6) Meeting minutes; and
- 13 (7) Annual reports.