

1 AN ACT concerning meetings of public bodies.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Open Meetings Act is amended by changing
5 Section 2a as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 120/2a) (from Ch. 102, par. 42a)

7 Sec. 2a. A public body may hold a meeting closed to the
8 public, or close a portion of a meeting to the public, upon a
9 majority vote of a quorum present, taken at a meeting open to
10 the public for which notice has been given as required by
11 this Act. A single vote may be taken with respect to a
12 series of meetings, a portion or portions of which are
13 proposed to be closed to the public, provided each meeting in
14 such series involves the same particular matters and is
15 scheduled to be held within no more than 3 months of the
16 vote. The vote of each member on the question of holding a
17 meeting closed to the public and a citation to the specific
18 exception contained in Section 2 of this Act which authorizes
19 the closing of the meeting to the public shall be publicly
20 disclosed at the time of the vote and shall be recorded and
21 entered into the minutes of the meeting. Nothing in this
22 Section or this Act shall be construed to require that any
23 meeting be closed to the public.

24 At any open meeting of a public body for which proper
25 notice under this Act has been given, the body may, without
26 additional notice under Section 2.02, hold a closed meeting
27 in accordance with this Act. Only topics specified in the
28 vote to close under this Section may be considered during the
29 closed meeting.

30 After the conclusion of a closed meeting or closed
31 portion of a meeting, the officer who presided over the

1 closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting shall certify
 2 in writing that, to the best of his or her knowledge and
 3 belief, no topic was discussed during the closed meeting or
 4 closed portion of the meeting in violation of this Act.
 5 Within 7 working days after the closed meeting or closed
 6 portion of the meeting, the officer's certification shall be
 7 made available for public inspection and copying in the
 8 following form:

9 Illinois Open Meetings Act
 10 Closed Meeting Certification
 11 (5 ILCS 120/2a)

12 1. Name of Unit of Government:
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14 2. Date and time of closed meeting or closed portion of
 15 a meeting:
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17 3. Names of all members of the public body present
 18 during the closed meeting or closed portion of the
 19 meeting:
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22 4. Each specific exception cited for closing the meeting
 23 (5 ILCS 120/2c):

- 24 A.
- 25 B.
- 26 C.
- 27 D.

28 5. For each of the exceptions cited, provide a general
 29 description of the subject matter discussed during the
 30 closed meeting or portion of a closed meeting:

- 31 A.
- 32 B.
- 33 C.
- 34 D.

1 CERTIFICATION:
2 I CERTIFY THAT I UNDERSTAND SECTION 2 OF THE ILLINOIS
3 OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
4 AND BELIEF NO OTHER TOPIC WAS DISCUSSED DURING THE CLOSED
5 MEETING, OR CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING, IN VIOLATION
6 OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

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8 Signature of Presiding Officer

9 (Source: P.A. 88-621, eff. 1-1-95; 89-86, eff. 6-30-95.)

10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July
11 1, 2002.