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HOUSE BILL NO. 2031

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BAHR.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 161.072, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to transparency of state board of education activities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 161.072, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 161.072, to read as follows:

161.072. **1.** The state board of education shall meet semiannually in December and in June in Jefferson City. Other meetings may be called by the president of the board on seven days' written notice to the members. In the absence of the president, the commissioner of education shall call a meeting on request of three members of the board, and if both the president and the commissioner of education are absent or refuse to call a meeting, any three members of the board may call a meeting by similar notices in writing. The business to come before the board shall be available by free electronic record at least seven business days prior to the start of each meeting. All records of any decisions, votes, exhibits, or outcomes shall be available by free electronic media within forty-eight hours following the conclusion of every meeting. Any materials prepared for the members of the board by the staff shall be delivered to the members at least five days before the meeting, and to the extent such materials are public records as defined in section 610.010 and are not permitted to be closed under section 610.021, shall be made available by free electronic media at least five business days in advance of the meeting.

2. Each meeting of the state board of education shall be recorded by video, and such video recording shall be posted to the website of the department of elementary and secondary education within forty-eight hours following the conclusion of every meeting.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 **3. The department of elementary and secondary education shall archive the video**
18 **recordings described under subsection 2 of this section on its website in a manner that**
19 **ensures easy and free accessibility by members of the public.**

20 **4. Each member of the state board of education shall have an individual email**
21 **address that shall be made available to members of the public. Any member of the public**
22 **may email a member of the state board of education at such address.**

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