

1 AN ACT

2 relating to posting on the Internet the notice of a meeting of a
3 governmental body.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 551.043, Government Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 551.043. TIME AND ACCESSIBILITY OF NOTICE; GENERAL
8 RULE. (a) The notice of a meeting of a governmental body must be
9 posted in a place readily accessible to the general public at all
10 times for at least 72 hours before the scheduled time of the
11 meeting, except as provided by Sections 551.044-551.046.

12 (b) If this chapter specifically requires or allows a
13 governmental body to post notice of a meeting on the Internet:

14 (1) the governmental body satisfies the requirement
15 that the notice must be posted in a place readily accessible to the
16 general public at all times by making a good-faith attempt to
17 continuously post the notice on the Internet during the prescribed
18 period;

19 (2) the governmental body must still comply with any
20 duty imposed by this chapter to physically post the notice at a
21 particular location; and

22 (3) if the governmental body makes a good-faith
23 attempt to continuously post the notice on the Internet during the
24 prescribed period, the notice physically posted at the location

1 prescribed by this chapter must be readily accessible to the
2 general public during normal business hours.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

David Dewhurst

President of the Senate

Tom Cradick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2381 was passed by the House on May 9, 2005, by a non-record vote; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2381 on May 27, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Robert Honey

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2381 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 25, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

17 JUNE '05

Date

Rick Perry

Governor

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Secretary of State