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By Senator Rockefeller

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1 AN ACT Relating to special meetings notice under the open public
2 meetings act; and amending RCW 42.30.080.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.30.080 and 2005 c 273 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 A special meeting may be called at any time by the presiding
7 officer of the governing body of a public agency or by a majority of
8 the members of the governing body by delivering written notice
9 personally, by mail, by fax, or by electronic mail to each member of
10 the governing body; ~~((and to each local newspaper of general
11 circulation and))~~ to each local radio or television station which has
12 on file with the governing body a written request to be notified of
13 such special meeting or of all special meetings; and by posting a
14 prominently placed hyperlink to the written notice on the agency's web
15 site. Such notice must be delivered personally, by mail, by fax,
16 ~~((or))~~ by electronic mail, or posted electronically, at least twenty-
17 four hours before the time of such meeting as specified in the notice.
18 The call and notice shall specify the time and place of the special
19 meeting and the business to be transacted. Final disposition shall not

1 be taken on any other matter at such meetings by the governing body.
2 Such written notice may be dispensed with as to any member who at or
3 prior to the time the meeting convenes files with the clerk or
4 secretary of the governing body a written waiver of notice. Such
5 waiver may be given by telegram, by fax, or electronic mail. Such
6 written notice may also be dispensed with as to any member who is
7 actually present at the meeting at the time it convenes. The notices
8 provided in this section may be dispensed with in the event a special
9 meeting is called to deal with an emergency involving injury or damage
10 to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage, when
11 time requirements of such notice would make notice impractical and
12 increase the likelihood of such injury or damage.

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