

**SB 5514** - H COMM AMD  
By Committee on Local Government

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 36.32.080 and 2016 c 189 s 1 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The county legislative authority of each county shall hold  
6 regular meetings at the county seat or at a location designated in  
7 accordance with subsection (2) or (3) of this section to transact any  
8 business required or permitted by law.

9 (2) (a) Any two or more county legislative authorities may hold a  
10 joint regular meeting solely in the county seat of a participating  
11 county if the agenda item or items relate to actions or  
12 considerations of mutual interest or concern to the participating  
13 legislative authorities.

14 (b) A legislative authority participating in a joint regular  
15 meeting held in accordance with this subsection (2) must, for  
16 purposes of the meeting, comply with notice requirements for special  
17 meetings provided in RCW 42.30.080. This subsection (2) (b) does not  
18 apply to the legislative authority of the county in which the meeting  
19 will be held.

20 (3) (a) As an alternative option (~~that may be exercised no more~~  
21 ~~than once per calendar quarter)), regular meetings may be held at a~~  
22 location outside of the county seat but within the county if the  
23 county legislative authority determines that holding a meeting at an  
24 alternate location would be in the interest of supporting greater  
25 citizen engagement in local government at the following intervals:

26 (i) Once per calendar month in a city with a greater population  
27 than the city in which the county seat is located; and

28 (ii) Once per calendar quarter in any other location.

29 (b) No more than one meeting per calendar month may be held at an  
30 alternate location as provided for in this subsection (3).

31 (c) The county legislative authority must give notice of any  
32 regular meeting held pursuant to this subsection (3) at least thirty

1 days before the time of the meeting specified in the notice. At a  
2 minimum, notice must be:

3 (i) Posted on the county's web site;

4 (ii) Published in a newspaper of general circulation in the  
5 county; and

6 (iii) Sent via electronic transmission to any resident of the  
7 county who has chosen to receive the notice required under this  
8 section at an email address."

9 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying bill and makes the following  
changes:

(1) Allows a county legislative authority to hold up to one  
regular meeting a month in a city within the county that has a  
greater population than the county seat, and up to one regular  
meeting a quarter at any other location within the county.

(2) Provides that no more than one meeting per month can be held  
at an alternate location.

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