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## DEFINITION OF PUBLIC BODY

House Bill 5088

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Committee: House Oversight & Ethics

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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5088 AS INTRODUCED 10-13-93

The bill would amend the Open Meetings Act to include in the definition of "public body" a body empowered by executive order. Currently, the definition in the act refers to "any state or local legislative or governing body, including a board, commission, committee, subcommittee, authority, or council, which is empowered by state constitution, statute, charter, ordinance, resolution, or rule to exercise governmental or proprietary authority or perform a governmental or proprietary function, or a lessee thereof performing an essential public purpose and function pursuant to the lease agreement." Generally, the act requires that the meetings of a public body be open the public and be held in places available to the general public, that its deliberations when a quorum is present take place at a meeting open to the public, that its decisions be made at meetings open to the public, that notice of meetings be provided, and that minutes of meetings be kept and be open to public inspection.

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