



SENATE BILL 2139

By White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-225(f), is amended by deleting "By February 1, 2026, and by each February 1 thereafter" and substituting "By February 1, 2026, and by each February 15 thereafter".

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 1 to SB2139

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Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2139*

House Bill No. 2096

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203(c)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(2)

(A) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2)(B), a board meeting must not be conducted with electronic participation unless a quorum of members is physically present at the location of the meeting.

(B) A board meeting may be conducted with electronic participation without a quorum of members being physically present at the location of the meeting when inclement weather or a natural disaster makes the physical presence of a quorum of members at the location of the meeting impractical or unsafe; provided, that a board meeting must not be conducted with electronic participation without a quorum of members being physically present at the location of the meeting more than three (3) times per year.

(C) All members participating in a board meeting conducted with electronic participation must be visually identified in the meeting.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 2 to HB2096

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Signature of Sponsor

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by adding the following as a new section immediately preceding the last section and renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-111(h), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(h) The meetings of the governing body of a public charter school are deemed public business and must be held in compliance with title 8, chapter 44, part 1. All information providing notice of public meetings as required under § 8-44-103 must be kept current by a public charter school on the public charter school's website.

Notwithstanding title 8, chapter 44, part 1 to the contrary, a governing body of a public charter school may conduct a scheduled board meeting by electronic means in the same manner local boards of education may conduct, and local board of education members may participate in, board meetings by electronic means pursuant to § 49-2-203(c).

Notwithstanding this subsection (h) to the contrary, a member of a governing body of a public charter school who does not reside in this state may participate in all scheduled board meetings via electronic means.