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HOUSE BILL No. 2299

By Representative Pottorff

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AN ACT concerning certain advisory committees; concerning the open meetings law amending K.S.A. 75-4317a and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) Meetings of advisory committees or subcommittee meetings of advisory committees shall be open to the public. Notice of such meetings shall be provided in the same manner as required for public meetings under the open meetings law.

- (b) As used in this section:
- "State agency head" means the governor or the chief administrative officer of any state agency.
- "State agency" means any state agency as defined by K.S.A. 75-3701, and amendments thereto.
- "Advisory committee" means any advisory committee, council, task force or other advisory body, of three or more members, created by any state agency head.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-4317a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-4317a. (a) As used in this act, "meeting":
- (a) "Meeting" means any gathering, assembly, telephone call or any other means of interactive communication by a majority of a quorum of the membership of a body or agency subject to this act for the purpose of discussing the business or affairs of the body or agency.
- (b) "Subordinate group" means any committee, subcommittee, council or other entity which is created by a public body subject to the provisions of this act.

"Subordinate group" shall not mean a meeting of the staff of a body, agency or subordinate group subject to this act.

- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 75-4317a is hereby repealed.
- Sec. $\frac{2}{3}$. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.