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Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2299

By Committee on Elections and Local Government

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10	AN ACT concerning certain advisory committees; concerning the open
11	meetings law; amending K.S.A. 75 4318 and repealing the existing
12	section.
13	[AN ACT concerning committees and entities subject to the open
14	records law and the open meetings law; amending K.S.A. 75-4318
15	and repealing the existing section.]
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17	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
18	Section 1. K.S.A. 75-4318 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-
19	4318. (a) Except as otherwise provided by state or federal law or by rules
20	of the house or senate, and except with respect to any impeachment
21	inquiry or other impeachment matter referred to any committee of the
22	house of representatives prior to the report of such committee to the full
23	house of representatives, all meetings for the conduct of the affairs of,
24	and the transaction of business by, all legislative and administrative bodies
25	and agencies of the state and political and taxing subdivisions thereof,
26	including boards, commissions, authorities, councils, committees, sub-
27	committees and other subordinate groups thereof, receiving or expending
28	and supported in whole or in part by public funds shall be open to the
29	public and no binding action by such bodies shall be by secret ballot, but
30	any administrative body that is authorized by law to exercise quasi-judicial
31	functions shall not be required to have open meetings when such body
32	is deliberating matters relating to a decision involving such quasi-judicial
33	functions. Meetings of task forces, advisory committees or subcommittees
34	of advisory committees created pursuant to a governor's executive order
35	shall be open to the public in accordance with this act.
36	(b) Notice of the date, time and place of any regular or special meet-
37	ing of a public body designated hereinabove shall be furnished to any

38 person requesting such notice, except that:

39 (1) If notice is requested by petition, the petition shall designate one 40 person to receive notice on behalf of all persons named in the petition, 41 and notice to such person shall constitute notice to all persons named in 42 the petition;

43 (2) if notice is furnished to an executive officer of an employees' or-

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ganization or trade association, such notice shall be deemed to have been
 furnished to the entire membership of such organization or association;
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(3) the public body may require that a request to receive notice must
be submitted again to the body prior to the commencement of any subsequent fiscal year of the body during which the person wishes to continue
receiving notice, but, prior to discontinuing notice to any person, the
public body must notify the person that notice will be discontinued unless
the person resubmits a request to receive notice.

(c) It shall be the duty of the presiding officer or other person calling
the meeting, if the meeting is not called by the presiding officer, to furnish
the notice required by subsection (b).

(d) Prior to any meeting hereinabove mentioned, any agenda relating
to the business to be transacted at such meeting shall be made available
to any person requesting said agenda.

(e) The use of cameras, photographic lights and recording devices
shall not be prohibited at any meeting mentioned by subsection (a), but
such use shall be subject to reasonable rules designed to insure the orderly conduct of the proceedings at such meeting.

20 [New Sec. 2. The Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kan-21 sas, established pursuant to the settlement agreement entered into 22 by the attorney general in the action filed by Blue Cross and Blue 23 Shield of Kansas, Inc., in the district court of Shawnee county, Kan-24 sas, case no. 97CV608, shall be and is hereby deemed to be a public 25 agency and shall be subject to the open records law.

26 [New Sec. 3. The Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kan-27 sas, established pursuant to the settlement agreement entered into

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29 Shield of Kansas, Inc., in the district court of Shawnee county, Kan-

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 body and shall be subject to the open meetings law.]

32 Sec. 2. [4] K.S.A. 75-4318 is hereby repealed.

33 Sec. $\frac{3}{2}$ [5.] This act shall take effect and be in force from and after 34 its publication in the Kansas register.

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