

AN ACT

relating to Internet broadcasts of open meetings held by the policy board of certain metropolitan planning organizations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 472, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 472.036 to read as follows:

Sec. 472.036. INTERNET BROADCAST AND ARCHIVE OF OPEN MEETINGS. In a manner that complies with Section 551.128(c), Government Code, a metropolitan planning organization that serves one or more counties with a population of 350,000 or more shall broadcast over the Internet live video and audio of each open meeting held by the policy board. Subsequently, the organization shall make available through the organization's Internet website archived video and audio for each meeting for which live video and audio was provided under this section.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to an open meeting held on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

S.B. No. 1237

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1237 passed the Senate on April 14, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1237 passed the House on May 27, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 1, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor