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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE 2047

BY JOHNSON

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to notice of proposed legislation that may
2 contain an exception to open governmental meeting
3 requirements.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 21.12 OPEN MEETINGS EXCEPTION --
2 NOTATION IN LEGISLATION.

3 When a bill or joint resolution is requested, the
4 legislative service bureau shall make an initial determination
5 of whether the bill or joint resolution may create an
6 exception to the requirement that meetings of a governmental
7 body be open to the public. If a determination is made that
8 an exception to the open meetings requirements of this chapter
9 is created as a result of the bill or joint resolution, that
10 fact shall be included in the explanation of the bill or joint
11 resolution.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill amends Code chapter 21 concerning open meetings
14 requirements by adding a new section providing that when a
15 bill or joint resolution is requested, the legislative service
16 bureau shall make an initial determination of whether the bill
17 or joint resolution may create an exception to the requirement
18 that governmental meetings be open to the public. If so, that
19 fact must be included in the explanation of the bill or joint
20 resolution.

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