
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 689 Session of
1997

INTRODUCED BY HART, HELFRICK, SALVATORE, JUBELIRER, DELP,
HECKLER, BELL AND WHITE, MARCH 13, 1997

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 13, 1997

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.388, No.84), entitled "An
2 act requiring public agencies to hold certain meetings and
3 hearings open to the public; and providing penalties,"
4 providing for additional public notice requirements for
5 certain school board meetings.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 9(a) of the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.388,
9 No.84), known as the Sunshine Act, is amended to read:

10 Section 9. Public notice.

11 (a) Meetings.--An agency shall give public notice of its
12 first regular meeting of each calendar or fiscal year not less
13 than three days in advance of the meeting and shall give public
14 notice of the schedule of its remaining regular meetings. An
15 agency shall give public notice of each special meeting or each
16 rescheduled regular or special meeting at least 24 hours in
17 advance of the time of the convening of the meeting specified in
18 the notice. Public notice is not required in the case of an
19 emergency meeting or a conference. In all cases, a school board

1 shall give public notice of each meeting at which a vote is
2 taken on final approval of a contract between the school
3 district and teachers at least 72 hours in advance of the time
4 of the meeting. Professional licensing boards within the Bureau
5 of Professional and Occupational Affairs of the Department of
6 State of the Commonwealth shall include in the public notice
7 each matter involving a proposal to revoke, suspend or restrict
8 a license.

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10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.