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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1879

5 By: Representative Lundstrum  
6 By: Senator K. Hammer  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL CITY COUNCILS AND COUNTY QUORUM  
10 COURTS TO POST VIDEO RECORDINGS OF PUBLIC MEETINGS;  
11 TO REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCILS OR  
12 COUNTY QUORUM COURTS TO BE RECORDED IN VIDEO FORMAT;  
13 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

16 TO REQUIRE ALL CITY COUNCILS AND COUNTY  
17 QUORUM COURTS TO POST VIDEO RECORDINGS  
18 OF PUBLIC MEETINGS; AND TO REQUIRE ALL  
19 PUBLIC MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCILS OR  
20 COUNTY QUORUM COURTS TO BE RECORDED IN  
21 VIDEO FORMAT.  
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-19-106(d), as amended by Acts 2025, No.  
27 179, concerning public meetings under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967,  
28 is amended to read as follows:

29 (d)(1) ~~All~~ Except as provided under subdivision (d)(6) of this  
30 section, all officially scheduled, special, and called open public meetings  
31 shall be recorded in a manner that allows for the capture of sound, including  
32 without limitation:

- 33 (A) A sound-only recording;
- 34 (B) A video recording with sound and picture; or
- 35 (C) A digital or analog broadcast capable of being

36 recorded.



1 (2) A recording of an open public meeting shall be maintained by  
2 a public entity for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of the open  
3 public meeting.

4 (3) The recording shall be maintained in a format that may be  
5 reproduced upon a request under this chapter.

6 (4) Subdivisions (d)(1) and (2) of this section do not apply to:

7 (A) Executive sessions; or

8 (B) Volunteer fire departments.

9 (5)(A) All officially scheduled, special, and called open public  
10 meetings of a city council or a county quorum court shall be recorded as a  
11 video recording.

12 (B) A video recording under subdivision (d)(5)(A) of this  
13 section shall be posted on the website of the city council or county quorum  
14 court no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the public meeting.

15 (C) If a city council or county quorum court does not have  
16 a website, the city council or county quorum court shall post the video  
17 recording of an open public meeting to a social media account created and  
18 maintained by the city council or the county quorum court no later than  
19 twenty-four (24) hours after the public meeting.

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21 *SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Compliance.*

22 *All city councils and county quorum courts shall comply with the*  
23 *provisions of this act on or before one (1) year following the effective date*  
24 *of this act.*

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26 /s/Lundstrum  
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