

**ELECTRONIC POSTING OF NOTICES**

1998 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR ELECTRONIC NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

**52-4-6**, as last amended by Chapter 17, Laws of Utah 1978

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **52-4-6** is amended to read:

**52-4-6. Public notice of meetings.**

(1) Any public body which holds regular meetings that are scheduled in advance over the course of a year shall give public notice at least once each year of its annual meeting schedule as provided in this section. The public notice shall specify the date, time, and place of such meetings.

(2) In addition to the notice requirements of Subsection (1) of this section, each public body shall give not less than 24 hours' public notice of the agenda, date, time and place of each of its meetings.

(3) Public notice shall be satisfied by:

(a) posting written notice at the principal office of the public body, or if no such office exists, at the building where the meeting is to be held; and

(b) providing notice to at least one newspaper of general circulation within the geographic jurisdiction of the public body, or to a local media correspondent.

(4) Public bodies are encouraged to develop and use electronic means to post notice in addition to those means listed in Subsection (3).

(5) When because of unforeseen circumstances it is necessary for a public body to hold an emergency meeting to consider matters of an emergency or urgent nature, the notice requirements of Subsection [~~52-4-6~~](2) may be disregarded and the best notice practicable given. No such emergency meeting of a public body shall be held unless an attempt has been made to

notify all of its members and a majority votes in the affirmative to hold the meeting.