

Introduced by Senator Galgiani

February 6, 2013

An act to add Section 11346.46 to the Government Code, relating to administrative procedures.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 176, as introduced, Galgiani. Administrative procedures.

Existing law governs the procedure for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations by state agencies and for the review of those regulatory actions by the Office of Administrative Law, including procedures relating to increased public participation in the adoption, amendment, and repeal of these regulations.

This bill would, in order to increase public participation and improve the quality of regulations, require state agencies, boards, and commissions to publish a notice prior to any meeting date or report, provided the meeting or report is seeking public input, as described.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 11346.46 is added to the Government
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 11346.46. (a) In order to increase public participation in the
- 4 regulation development process and improve the quality of
- 5 regulations, state agencies, boards, and commissions shall publish
- 6 a notice in the California Regulatory Notice Register, as prepared
- 7 by the Office of Administrative Law, at least 15 days prior to any

- 1 meeting date or report, provided the meeting or report is seeking
2 public input.
- 3 (b) For purposes of this section, meetings and reports seeking
4 public input include, but are not limited to, the following:
- 5 (1) Informational hearings.
 - 6 (2) Workshops.
 - 7 (3) Scoping hearings.
 - 8 (4) Preliminary meetings.
 - 9 (5) Public and stakeholder outreach meetings.
 - 10 (6) Fifteen-day comment period notices.
 - 11 (7) The posting of Internet Web site links to informational and
12 state reports prepared for public review and comment.