

**Introduced by Senator Glazer**February 19, 2016

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An act to amend Section 101.7 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to consumer affairs.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1448, as introduced, Glazer. Department of Consumer Affairs.

Under existing law, the Department of Consumer Affairs is under the control of the Director of Consumer Affairs and comprised of various boards, bureaus, commissions, committees, and similarly constituted agencies that license and regulate the practice of various professions and vocations. Existing law requires the boards to meet at least 3 times each calendar year, with at least one of those meetings occurring in northern California and at least one of those meetings occurring in southern California. Existing law authorizes the director to exempt any board from the requirement for good cause, and to call for a special meeting when a board is not fulfilling its duties. Existing law requires all of the department's agencies, including the boards, to hold public meetings and provide public notice of a meeting. Existing law requires each of these agencies to offer a person requesting to receive notice of a meeting the option to receive that notice by regular mail, email, or both regular mail and email. Existing law requires an agency that intends to Web cast a meeting to provide notice of intent to Web cast the meeting.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 101.7 of the Business and Professions  
2 Code is amended to read:

3 101.7. (a) Notwithstanding any other ~~provision~~ of law, boards  
4 shall meet at least three times each calendar year. Boards shall  
5 meet at least once each calendar year in northern California and  
6 once each calendar year in southern California in order to facilitate  
7 participation by the public and its licensees.

8 (b) The ~~director~~ *director*, at his or her ~~discretion~~ *discretion*, may  
9 exempt any board from the requirement in subdivision (a) upon a  
10 showing of good cause that the board is not able to meet at least  
11 three times in a calendar year.

12 (c) The director may call for a special meeting of the board  
13 when a board is not fulfilling its duties.

14 (d) An agency within the department that is required to provide  
15 a written notice pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 11125 of  
16 the ~~Government Code~~, *Code* may provide that notice by regular  
17 mail, email, or by both regular mail and email. An agency shall  
18 give a person who requests a notice the option of receiving the  
19 notice by regular mail, email, or by both regular mail and email.  
20 The agency shall comply with the requester’s chosen form or forms  
21 of notice.

22 (e) An agency that plans to Web cast a meeting shall include in  
23 the meeting notice required pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section  
24 11125 of the ~~Government Code~~ a statement of the board’s intent  
25 to Web cast the meeting. An agency may Web cast a meeting even  
26 if the agency fails to include that statement of intent in the notice.

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