



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Sherwin, BB0280 - Closed Session Meetings for IT Security Issues

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

STATE GOVERNMENT

GENERAL STATE GOVERNMENT

Closed meetings to consider information technology security issues

Under current law, a governmental body is generally required to meet in open session. Open session is a meeting that is held in a place reasonably accessible to members of the public and open to all citizens at all times.

This bill allows a governmental body to go into closed session for the purpose of considering information technology security issues affecting information technology systems over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 19.85 (1) (i) of the statutes is created to read:

19.85 (1) (i) Consideration of information technology security issues affecting information technology systems over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

SECTION 2. 19.851 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

19.851 (1) Prior to convening under this section or under s. 19.85 (1), the ethics commission and the elections commission shall vote to convene in closed session in the manner provided in s. 19.85 (1). The ethics commission shall identify the specific reason or reasons under sub. (2) and s. 19.85 (1) (a) to ~~(h)~~ (i) for

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convening in closed session. The elections commission shall identify the specific reason or reasons under s. 19.85 (1) (a) to ~~(h)~~ (i) for convening in closed session. No business may be conducted by the ethics commission or the elections commission at any closed session under this section except that which relates to the purposes of the session as authorized in this section or as authorized in s. 19.85 (1).

(END)