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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. **2236**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations
03/20/2014 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
Read Second Time
04/24/2014 Calendar for the Day
Read Third Time
Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate
05/14/2014 Returned to the House as Amended by the Senate
Read Third Time as Amended by the Senate
Repassed by the House

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; making changes to the open meeting law; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 13D.04, subdivision 6; proposing coding for
1.4 new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13D.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 13D.04, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 6. **State agencies.** For a meeting of an agency, board, commission, or
1.8 department of the state required or permitted by law to transact public business in a meeting:

1.9 (1) the notice requirements of this section apply only if a statute governing meetings
1.10 of the agency, board, or commission does not contain specific reference to the method
1.11 of providing notice; ~~and~~

1.12 (2) all provisions of this section relating to publication are satisfied by publication
1.13 in the State Register; or posting on the Web site of the agency, board, commission,
1.14 or department; and

1.15 (3) a schedule of the regular meetings shall be kept on file at the primary offices or
1.16 posted on the Web site of the agency, board, commission, or department.

1.17 Sec. 2. **[13D.065] USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA.**

1.18 The use of social media by members of a public body does not violate this chapter
1.19 so long as the social media use is limited to exchanges with all members of the general
1.20 public. For purposes of this section, e-mail is not considered a type of social media.