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House Bill 4363 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Representative Amanda Price  
House Committee: Oversight  
Senate Committee: Government Operations

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Open Meetings Act to require the physical presence of a member of an elected public body who was voting on a decision of the public body.

The Act requires all meetings of a public body to be open to the public. Subject to certain exceptions, all deliberations of a public body constituting a quorum of its members must take place at a meeting open to the public. In addition, all decisions of a public body must be made at a meeting open to the public.

Under the bill, a meeting of a public body whose members were elected, including a meeting of an elected governing board of a public institution of higher education, would not be open to the public if a member voted on a decision of the public body without being physically present at the meeting. Any such decision would be void.

The bill would take effect on the 91<sup>st</sup> day after it was enacted.

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Legislative Analyst: Suzanne Lowe

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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