

General Assembly

January Session, 2019

Committee Bill No. 5149



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by: (PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 7-275 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

3 (a) The board of police commissioners shall elect one of its number 4 to be chairman and one member to be clerk and shall hold regular 5 meetings and keep records of the same. Meetings shall be held upon the call of the chairman or of a majority of the members of the board. A 6 7 majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum. In the 8 event of any vacancy upon the board, the board of selectmen shall 9 have authority by majority vote to fill such vacancy until the next town 10 election, at which election a member shall be elected for the unexpired 11 portion of the term.

12 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of a municipal charter or 13 ordinance or special act, no town, city or borough may place 14 requirements on the time or place of a meeting of a board of police 15 commissioners other than as provided in the Freedom of Information 16 Act, as defined in section 1-200.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:Section 1July 1, 20197-275

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit nonstatutory restrictions on meetings of boards of police commissioners.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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