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DISCLOSURE OF CONSTITUENT SCHOOL BOARDS' ISD VOTING PREFERENCES; OPEN MEETING

House Bill 4979
Sponsor: Rep. Jack Minore
**Committee: Local Government and
Urban Policy**

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4979 AS INTRODUCED 7-16-03

House Bill 4979 would amend the Revised School Code to require the disclosure of constituent school boards' voting preferences for intermediate school board (ISD) members, and require that the electoral meeting be an open meeting.

Currently under the law, when the members of an intermediate school board who govern an intermediate school district (ISD) are elected by the members of the ISD's constituent district school boards, that election is held biennially on the first Monday in June by a body composed of one member of the board of each constituent school district. Under House Bill 4979, the board of a constituent school district would be required to designate its representative to this electoral body by a resolution, adopted by majority vote of its members within 21 days of the biennial election. In the resolution designating its representative, the board of the constituent school district also would be required to identify the candidate the board supported for each position that was to be filled on the intermediate school board, and to direct its representative to vote for that individual or individuals at least on the first ballot.

House Bill 4979 also would require that the biennial meeting of the electoral body be an open meeting.

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