
SENATE BILL 5329

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring public employee collective
2 bargaining sessions to be open meetings; amending RCW 42.30.140; and
3 adding a new section to chapter 42.30 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.30.140 and 1990 c 98 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 If any provision of this chapter conflicts with the provisions of
8 any other statute, the provisions of this chapter shall control:
9 PROVIDED, That this chapter shall not apply to:

10 (1) The proceedings concerned with the formal issuance of an
11 order granting, suspending, revoking, or denying any license, permit,
12 or certificate to engage in any business, occupation, or profession
13 or to any disciplinary proceedings involving a member of such
14 business, occupation, or profession, or to receive a license for a
15 sports activity or to operate any mechanical device or motor vehicle
16 where a license or registration is necessary; or

17 (2) That portion of a meeting of a quasi-judicial body which
18 relates to a quasi-judicial matter between named parties as
19 distinguished from a matter having general effect on the public or on
20 a class or group; or

1 (3) Matters governed by chapter 34.05 RCW, the Administrative
2 Procedure Act; or

3 (4)(a) Collective bargaining sessions with employee
4 organizations, including (~~contract negotiations~~) grievance
5 meetings(~~(7)~~) and discussions relating to the interpretation or
6 application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting
7 during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy
8 or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of
9 any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or
10 mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the
11 negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 42.30
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations
15 involving contract negotiations must be open to the public.

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