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Meetings Subcommittee

Tuesday, July 21, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
House Room B, General Assembly Building
Richmond, Virginia

General Assembly Building Note: This meeting will be held in person and live streamed at *https://virginiageneralassembly.gov/house/committees/commstream.html*

SUGGESTED AGENDA
ANNOTATED

1. **Call to Order; introduction of subcommittee members.**
2. **Discussion; election of Subcommittee Chair.**
3. **Discussion; bill referred for study.**
   - **HB 463 (Cohen) Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definitions; meetings; quorum and electronic communication.** Amends the definition of "meeting" for purposes of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act such that any assemblage of a quorum of the constituent membership of a public body constitutes a meeting. Under current law, as many as three members or a quorum, if less than three, of the constituent membership of a public body constitutes a meeting. The bill additionally authorizes members of a public body participating through electronic communication in a meeting in which other members are participating in person to count toward the quorum as if the individual were physically present, should such member's physical absence be due to an approved cause of absence.
4. **Other Business.**
   - **Discussion;** Senator Elizabeth Bennett-Parker will discuss a draft item on requiring state and regional public bodies to post their agendas at least 3 days in advance and for every public body to add public comment, if it exists, on the agenda.
5. **Public Comment.**
6. **Schedule Next Meeting Date.**
7. **Adjournment.**

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Subcommittee Members
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