

SB0026



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 205/20

Amends the Local Records Act. When required to publish in a newspaper, requires all units of local government and school boards that maintain a website to additionally publish notices, agendas, records, or other information or material that is required to be published in a newspaper by law or court order to their website.

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HOME RULE NOTE
ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Local Records Act is amended by changing
5 Section 20 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 205/20)

7 Sec. 20. Internet posting requirements.

8 (a) A unit of local government or school district that
9 serves a population of less than 1,000,000 that maintains an
10 Internet website other than a social media website or social
11 networking website shall, within 90 days of the effective date
12 of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, post to
13 its website for the current calendar year a mechanism, such as
14 a uniform single email address, for members of the public to
15 electronically communicate with elected officials of that unit
16 of local government or school district, unless such officials
17 have an individual email address for that purpose.

18 (a-5) In addition to any requirement to publish in any
19 newspaper notices, agendas, records, or other information or
20 material that is required to be published in a newspaper by law
21 or court order including, but not limited to, the Open Meetings
22 Act, the Illinois Municipal Budget Law, the Intergovernmental
23 Cooperation Act, the Counties Code, the Township Code, the

1 Illinois Municipal Code, the Election Code, the School Code,
2 the Airport Authorities Act, or the Civic Center Code, a unit
3 of local government or school board that maintains a website
4 shall also publish this information on its website.

5 (b) For the purposes of this Section "Internet website"
6 shall not include any social media website, social networking
7 website, or any other social media presence that a unit of
8 local government or school district maintains.

9 (c) A hyperlink to the information required to be posted
10 under this Section must be easily accessible from the unit of
11 local government's or school district's home page.

12 (d) The postings required by this Section are in addition
13 to any other posting requirements required by law or ordinance.

14 (e) No home rule unit may adopt posting requirements that
15 are less restrictive than this Section. This Section is a
16 limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of
17 the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home
18 rule units of powers and functions exercised by the State.

19 (Source: P.A. 98-930, eff. 1-1-15.)