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## 2017 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 111

March 7, 2018 - Introduced by Senator VINEHOUT, cosponsored by Representatives BARCA, SPREITZER, POPE, BERCEAU, SUBECK and SARGENT. Referred to Committee on Insurance, Financial Services, Constitution and Federalism.

1     ***To renumber*** section 10 of article IV of the constitution; and ***to create*** section 10 (2)  
2             of article IV of the constitution; **relating to:** requiring the legislature to enact  
3             laws requiring reasonable notice of and public access to meetings of  
4             governmental bodies, including legislative committees, and making members  
5             of the legislature subject to citations and civil penalties for violations of such  
6             laws (first consideration).

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2017 legislature on first consideration, requires the legislature to enact laws requiring reasonable notice of and public access to meetings of governmental bodies, including legislative committees, and makes members of the legislature subject to citations and civil penalties for violations of such laws. Currently, the constitution exempts members from civil process during the legislative session and for 15 days before and after the session.

A constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

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7             ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:***

