

# **One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB951**

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**Chairperson: Senator Tom Brewer**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: February 15, 2024**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 951 will create the Public Officials on Private Boards Open Meetings Act. Private board meetings will have to give public notice and allow the public to attend their board meeting if that meeting meets the following criteria:

- The entity is private or quasi-public and is a for-profit or nonprofit
- The governing board is one that sets policy, makes decision, or supervises a covered entity under LB 951
- The majority of the board members are elected or appointed public officials
- The officials are in an upper level management position

The board must give public notice to these board meetings, in-person or virtual, and allow the public to attend these meetings. A board may hold a meeting in closed session if a majority of the board votes for a closed session in order to protect: strategy sessions of collective bargaining, litigation, discussions on security procedures or personnel, trade secrets, or evaluations of job performance.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Lou Ann Linehan**