

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB1028

House of Origin	<u>  X  </u>	Introduced	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u>      </u>	In Committee	<u>      </u>	Substitute	<u>      </u>	Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Pollard

**3. Committee:** General Laws

**4. Title:** Freedom of Information Act; Recording of public meetings.

**5. Summary:** The bill clarifies that no public body may prohibit or prevent any person from photographing, filming, recording, or otherwise reproducing any portion of a meeting required to be open. The bill also prohibits any public body from conducting an open meeting in any building or facility where any recording devices are prohibited.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Indeterminate.

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The impacts are indeterminate as there may be costs incurred in finding new meeting locations for any state entities that currently hold open meetings in buildings or facilities where recording devices are prohibited.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Any state agency or political subdivision required to hold open meetings.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

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