

House File 409

H-1050

1 Amend House File 409 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. **279.2A Public comment — regular**
5 **meetings and special meetings — prohibitions.**

6 1. The board of directors of each school district shall
7 provide at least thirty minutes during each regular meeting
8 and special meeting to receive public comment. The board of
9 directors of a school district may reasonably and equally limit
10 the length of individual public comment, but the time per
11 speaker shall be no less than two minutes unless the speaker
12 violates subsection 2. Without persons wishing to speak, or
13 after all persons wishing to speak have finished speaking,
14 the board of directors of a school district may close public
15 comment prior to the expiration of thirty minutes.

16 2. During public comment, a speaker shall not engage in
17 personal attacks or threats directed against any specific
18 individual, including members of the board of directors of the
19 school district, employees of the board of directors of the
20 school district, or students enrolled in the school district.>

21 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting
22 <An Act relating to public comment periods at regular
23 and special meetings of the boards of directors of school
24 districts.>

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