SENATE FILE 2341
BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2026)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate March 10, 2026)

[= New Language by the Senate

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the approval and publication of meeting minutes of county boards of supervisors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 331.212, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *k.* Approval of board proceedings to be published pursuant to section 349.18.

Sec. 2. Section 331.504, subsection 6, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

6. Furnish a copy of the proceedings of the board, as approved by the board, required to be published as provided in section 349.18.

Sec. 3. Section 349.18, subsection 1, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

1. *a.* All proceedings of each regular, adjourned, or special meeting of a board of supervisors, including the schedule of bills allowed, shall be published immediately after the adjournment of the meeting.

b. All proceedings must be approved by the board of supervisors before publication. Approval must occur in one of the following ways:

(1) Approval by the board at the next board of supervisors meeting following the meeting for which the proceedings are to be published.

(2) Approval by the chairperson of the board of supervisors prior to the meeting following the meeting for which the proceedings are to be published.

Sec. 4. Section 349.18, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

a. The county auditor shall furnish a copy of the proceedings to be published, within one week following the ~~adjournment~~ approval of the board. The county auditor shall include either a summary of all resolutions or the complete text of resolutions adopted by the board in the furnished copy of the proceedings. As used in this subsection, *"summary"* means a narrative description of the resolution setting forth the main points of the resolution in a manner calculated to inform the public in a clear and understandable manner the

meaning of the resolution and to provide the public with sufficient notice of the policy stated or action to be taken, as resolved by the board in the resolution. The narrative description shall include the title of the resolution, an accurate and intelligible synopsis of the essential elements of the resolution, a statement that the description is a summary, the location and the normal business hours of the office where the full text of the resolution may be inspected, and the effective date of the resolution. Legal descriptions of property set forth in a resolution shall be described in full. The narrative description shall be written in a clear and coherent manner and shall, to the extent possible, avoid the use of technical or legal terms not generally familiar to the public. When necessary to use technical or legal terms not generally familiar to the public, the narrative description shall include definitions of those terms.