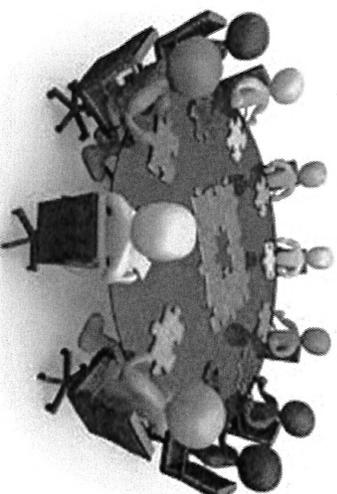
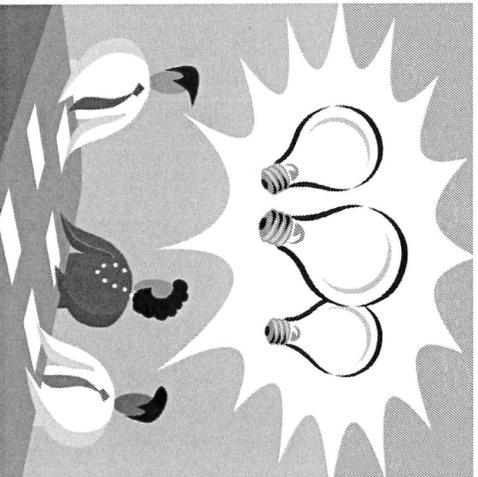


Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act

Training for Blockchain Working
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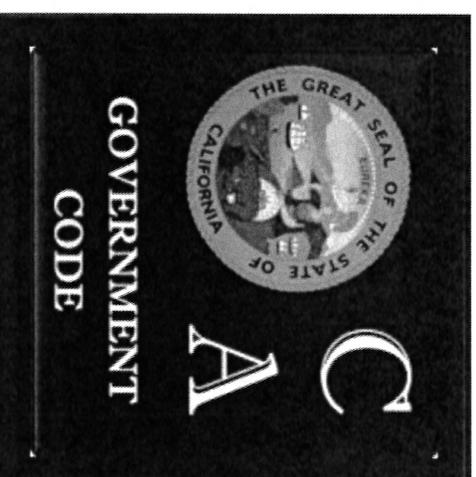
Purpose of Open Meeting Act

- Promotes an open consensus building model of decision making.
- Ensures the public a seat at the table.



The Act applies to state bodies. What is a “state body?”

- Five types.
- A body created by statute.
- AB 2658



What is a “state body?”

- Advisory body created by state body.
 - *Subcommittees, task forces, advisory committees, working groups, etc.*
 - *Three (3) or more members.*
 - *Created by official action of state body or state body member.*
 - *Impromptu Advisory Bodies: Rule of Two*

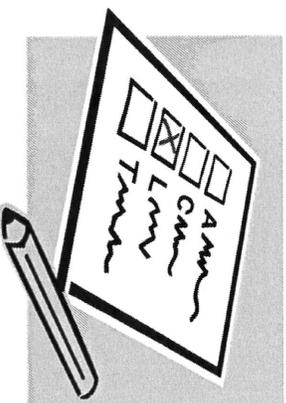
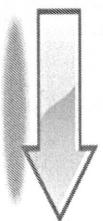
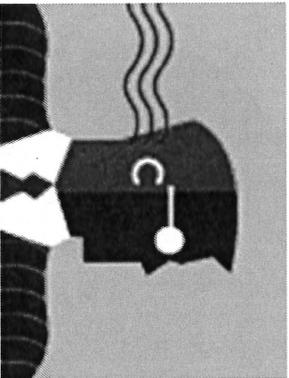
What is a “state body”?

- New members of state bodies.
- Act applies upon appointment.



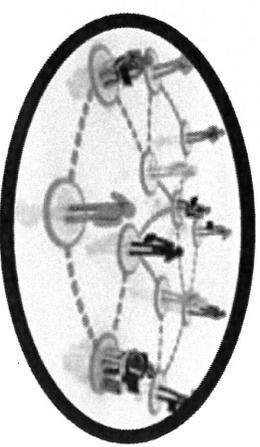
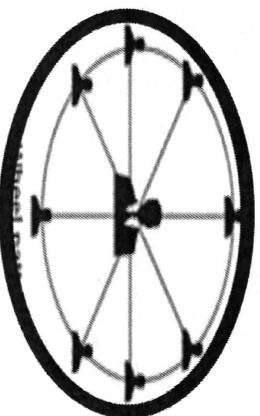
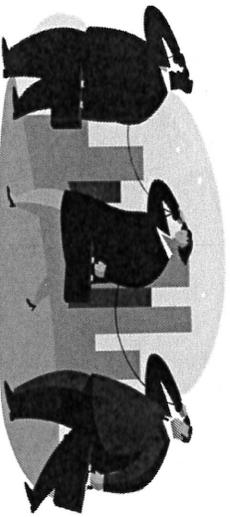
What is a meeting?

- Gathering of a majority of members of the working group.
- Includes all phases of decisionmaking from information gathering to final recommendation.



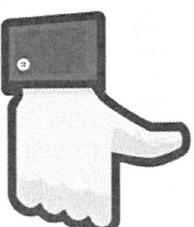
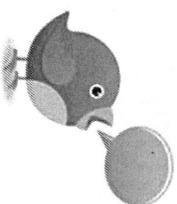
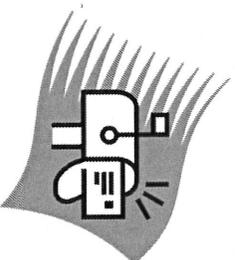
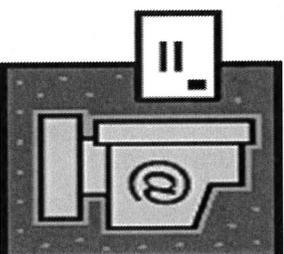
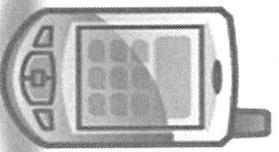
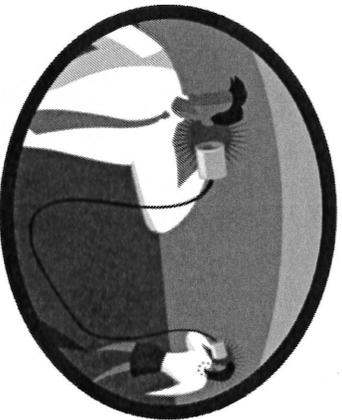
Serial Communications: Prohibition

- Members of the working group must avoid serial communications outside of a public meeting among a quorum of members or through an intermediary.
- Applies to subcommittees. Rule of two.



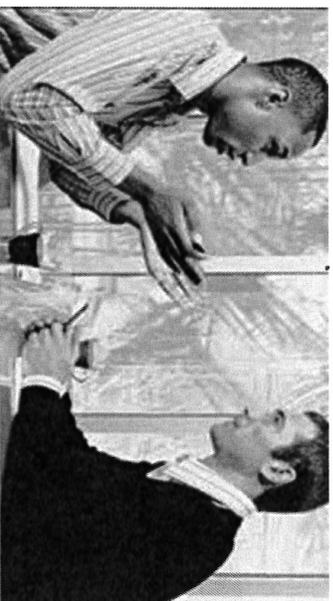
Serial Communications: Prohibition

- Prohibition applies to ALL forms of communication.



Staff Briefing Exception

- Staff may brief or respond to questions from individual working group members.
- Staff may not share communications from a working group member with any other working group member.



What is “not” a meeting?

- Communication with one other person (as long as not used to circumvent serial meeting requirement).
- Rule of two.

What is “not” a meeting?

- Conferences open to the public.
- Open meetings of other public bodies.
- Social events.



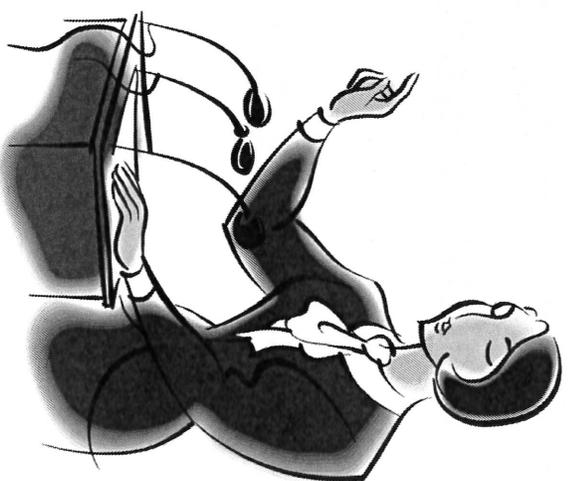
What is “not” a meeting?

- An open meeting of a standing committee of the working group is not a meeting of the entire working group.
 - *But only if working group members who are not committee members attend only as observers.*

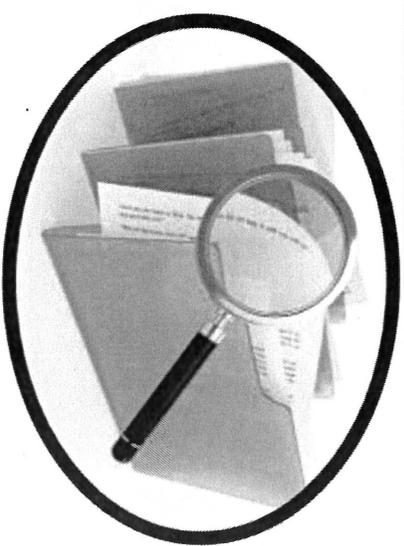


Rights of the Public

- Right to Participate at Public Meetings
 - *No identification required.*
 - *Reasonable time limits.*



Rights of the Public



- Right to Access Public Meeting Records
 - *Best practice is to post public meeting records on website before meeting, but not required.*
 - *Some records may be exempt from disclosure.*