HOUSE BILL 14-1177
BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Swalm, Labuda, McNulty, Szabo, Schafer, Young; also SENATOR(S) Tochtrop.

AN ACT
CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING MEETINGS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE LARGER COUNTIES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 30-10-304 as follows:

30-10-304. Meetings of board in counties over one hundred thousand.
(1) Except as otherwise permitted under subsection (2) of this section, each board of county commissioners of a county containing more than one hundred thousand inhabitants shall hold at least two meetings in each week of each year; but in the months of July and August of each year the board will not be required to hold more than two meetings in each of those months.

(2) Each board of county commissioners of a county containing more than one hundred thousand inhabitants may hold fewer than two meetings in each week of each year on the basis of, without limitation, the following circumstances:

(a) A lack of a quorum caused by illness;

(b) Scheduling conflicts with meetings of professional organizations whose membership includes county commissioners;

(c) Inclement weather;

(d) Natural disasters or emergency conditions;

(e) Special events; or

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.
(f) Any other circumstance that a majority of the board deems reasonable justification for not holding the meeting in the majority's sole discretion.

(3) The board chair may cancel a regularly scheduled meeting of the board. If the decision to cancel a meeting is made more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting, the board shall promptly provide notice to the public of the cancellation in the same manner in which it customarily provides the public notice of its meetings.

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect September 1, 2014; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: March 27, 2014