



Notice and Certification to Hold Meeting By Telephone Conference

Certification Related to Open Meetings

On March 11, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards declared a public health emergency in response to COVID-19. *See* Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020.

On March 13, 2020, in an effort to reduce and limit the spread of COVID-19 in Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards issued a proclamation, which, in part, (1) prohibits gatherings of more than 250 people, (2) closes all public schools in the State of Louisiana, and (3) directs and authorizes all departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of this State to cooperate in the actions the State may take in response to COVID-19. *See* Proclamation Number 27 JBE 2020.

On March 16, 2020, in further effort to reduce and limit the spread of COVID-19 in Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards issued a proclamation which, in part, (1) prohibits gatherings of more than 50 people, (2) orders that certain businesses, including casinos, video poker establishments, movie theaters, bars, and fitness centers and gyms, temporarily cease all operations, (3) orders that certain other businesses, including restaurants, cafes, and coffee shops, limit their operations to only take out, drive-thru, and delivery services, (4) **orders that all state agencies, boards, and commissions shall provide for attendance at essential government meetings via teleconference or video conference**, and (5) suspends all legal deadlines, including liberative prescription and preemptive periods applicable to legal proceedings in all courts, administrative agencies, and boards. *See* Proclamation Number 30 JBE 2020.

On March 22, 2020, in further effort to reduce and limit the spread of COVID-19 in Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards issued a proclamation, which, in part, (1) closes all state office buildings to the public, (2) prohibits gatherings of more than 10 people, (3) mandates a general stay-at-home order, and (4) orders that certain businesses temporarily cease all operations. *See* Proclamation Number 33-JBE 2020.

The Louisiana Stadium and Exposition District (LSED) is unable to operate due to quorum requirements. Therefore, under Section 4 of Proclamation Number JBE 2020-30 of March 16, 2020, the LSED will conduct the Thursday, April 23, 2020 regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners by telephone conference. The public is invited to observe and provide input to the LSED via email. The board meeting agenda (that contains the telephone conference dial-in information) will be posted as required by law more than 24 hours before the meeting.

The Louisiana Open Meetings law provides the public an opportunity to comment on any agenda items before the Commission. Under Proclamation Number JBE 2020-30, the LSED will accept public comments for this meeting via email only. A person may email a comment related to a particular agenda item until 12:00 p.m., Thursday, April 23, 2020. This email will then be read aloud by the Chairman at the meeting. Email comments should be sent to: LSEDboardmeetings@asmneworleans.com. Please include your name and the agenda item that pertains to your comment.