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This bill adds an exception to the open meeting law. It allows a public body to close a meeting to receive security briefings and reports, and to discuss security issues. Financial aspects of security issues must be discussed, and all financial decisions made, at an open meeting. Requires tape recording of a meeting closed to discuss security issues and preservation of the recording for two years.

This exception to the open meeting law would be effective July 1, 2002, and expire June 30, 2005.

Notice requirements for a meeting of a public body apply whether the meeting is open or closed