

- Executive Order N-08-21 sets a date of October 1, 2021 for public agencies to transition back to public meetings held in full compliance with the Brown Act
- Several requirements listed in this briefing will return to full force and effect

On June 11, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom issued [Executive Order N-08-21](#), which among other things rescinds his prior [Executive Order N-29-20](#) and sets a date of October 1, 2021 for public agencies to transition back to public meetings held in full compliance with the Brown Act.

BACKGROUND

On March 12, 2020, as part of the state's initial response to the coronavirus pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which authorized local legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and waived some of the legal requirements for teleconference meetings under the Brown Act. (For more information, please see, Keenan's briefing, [COVID-19: Brown Act, Unemployment, and Retiree Work Rules Impacted by New Executive Order](#).) That executive order was amended less than a week later by EO-N-29-20, which clarified that all requirements in both the Bagley-Keene Act and the Brown Act that required the physical presence of members or other personnel as a condition of participation or in quorum for a public meeting were waived.

EFFECT OF NEW EXECUTIVE ORDER

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