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Introduction and first reading
Referred to State and Local Government and Veterans

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to local government; modifying the open meeting law to allow unlimited
- 1.3 remote participation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13D.02,
- 1.4 subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 13D.02, subdivision
- 1.5 1.
- 1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 13D.02, subdivision 1, is amended
- 1.8 to read:
- 1.9 Subdivision 1. **Conditions.** ~~(a)~~ A meeting governed by section 13D.01, subdivisions 1,
- 1.10 2, 4, and 5, and this section may be conducted by interactive technology so long as:
- 1.11 (1) all members of the body participating in the meeting, wherever their physical location,
- 1.12 can hear and see one another and can hear and see all discussion and testimony presented
- 1.13 at any location at which at least one member is present;
- 1.14 (2) members of the public present at the regular meeting location of the body can hear
- 1.15 and see all discussion and testimony and all votes of members of the body;
- 1.16 (3) at least one member of the body is physically present at the regular meeting location;
- 1.17 and
- 1.18 (4) all votes are conducted by roll call so each member's vote on each issue can be
- 1.19 identified and recorded; ~~and.~~
- 1.20 ~~(5) each location at which a member of the body is present is open and accessible to the~~
- 1.21 ~~public.~~

~~(b) A meeting satisfies the requirements of paragraph (a), although a member of the public body participates from a location that is not open or accessible to the public, if the member has not participated more than three times in a calendar year from a location that is not open or accessible to the public, and:~~

~~(1) the member is serving in the military and is at a required drill, deployed, or on active duty; or~~

~~(2) the member has been advised by a health care professional against being in a public place for personal or family medical reasons.~~

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13D.02, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Notice of regular and all member locations.** If interactive technology is used to conduct a regular, special, or emergency meeting, the public body shall provide notice of the regular meeting location and ~~notice of any location where a member of the public body will~~ the fact that some members may be participating in the meeting by interactive technology; ~~except for the locations of members participating pursuant to subdivision 1, paragraph (b).~~ The timing and method of providing notice must be as described in section 13D.04.