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HOUSE BILL 16-1139

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Local Government

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN COMMITTEE MEETINGS 102 DURING THE LEGISLATIVE INTERIM.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill gives the executive committee of the legislative council the power and duty to consider, recommend, and establish policies regarding electronic participation by senators or representatives in committee meetings during the legislative interim.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-303, add (2) (h)
3	as follows:
4	2-3-303. Functions - report - definitions. (2) In addition to any
5	other powers and duties set forth in law, the executive committee of the
6	legislative council has the following powers and duties:
7	(h) (I) (A) TO CONSIDER, RECOMMEND, AND ESTABLISH POLICIES
8	ALLOWING SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO PARTICIPATE
9	ELECTRONICALLY IN COMMITTEE MEETINGS OCCURRING DURING THE
10	LEGISLATIVE INTERIM.
11	(B) AS USED IN THIS PARAGRAPH (h), "COMMITTEE" MEANS ANY
12	COMMITTEE THAT IS STAFFED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE LEGISLATIVE
13	SERVICE AGENCIES.
14	(II) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF A COMMITTEE MUST BE
15	ATTENDING A MEETING IN PERSON IN ORDER FOR THE COMMITTEE TO VOTE
16	ON ANY MATTER AT THAT MEETING, AND ONLY THOSE MEMBERS
17	ATTENDING IN PERSON ARE PERMITTED TO VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE
18	THE COMMITTEE.
19	(III) A SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE PARTICIPATING
20	ELECTRONICALLY IN A COMMITTEE MEETING PURSUANT TO THIS
21	PARAGRAPH (h) IS DEEMED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE OF THAT COMMITTEE
22	FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING COMPENSATION TO WHICH THE MEMBER
23	IS ENTITLED UNDER SECTION 2-2-307 (3). NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION
24	2-2-307 (3) (b), MEMBERS PARTICIPATING ELECTRONICALLY ARE NOT
25	ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR ANY EXPENSES INCURRED IN
26	CONNECTION WITH SUCH ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION.
27	SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

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- determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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