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HOUSE BILL 20-1301

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE IN MEETINGS OF SCHOOL**
102 **DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION.**

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://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Under existing law, a school district board of education (board) may adopt a policy that allows board members to participate in board meetings electronically, but a quorum of board members is required to be physically present in one location to convene a meeting. The bill requires that board members attending electronically be included in the number of members present necessary to convene a meeting.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE
Amended 2nd Reading
March 13, 2020

HOUSE
3rd Reading Unamended
March 4, 2020

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
March 3, 2020

The bill expresses the general assembly's intent that a board's policy authorizing electronic participation include a procedure for ensuring that electronically participating members have real-time access to materials presented at the meeting.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-108, **amend**
3 (7)(b) introductory portion, (7)(b)(I), (7)(b)(IV), and (7)(b)(V); and **add**
4 (7)(b)(VI) as follows:

5 **22-32-108. Meetings of the board of education - legislative**
6 **intent.** (7) (b) It is the intent of the general assembly that a board that
7 adopts a policy authorized in ~~paragraph (a) of this subsection (7)~~
8 SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION to allow board members to attend and
9 participate electronically in regular or special board meetings ~~will ensure~~
10 ENSURES that the policy:

11 (I) Requires a quorum of the board, ~~to be~~ INCLUDING MEMBERS
12 physically present ~~in one location~~ AND MEMBERS ATTENDING
13 ELECTRONICALLY, to convene a meeting;

14 (IV) Requires the board to have technology in place that ~~will~~
15 ~~ensure~~ ENSURES that members of the public can hear the comments made
16 by a board member who attends the meeting electronically and that the
17 board member can hear comments made by the public; ~~and~~

18 (V) Clearly describes the methods by which a board member may
19 attend a meeting electronically, which methods may include attendance
20 via telephone, video conferencing, or other electronic means; AND

21 (VI) REQUIRES THE BOARD TO HAVE A PROCEDURE IN PLACE TO
22 ENSURE THAT A BOARD MEMBER WHO ATTENDS THE MEETING
23 ELECTRONICALLY HAS REAL-TIME ACCESS TO ANY MATERIALS THAT ARE

1 PRESENTED AND AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS WHO ARE PHYSICALLY PRESENT
2 AT THE MEETING.

3 **SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,**
4 **determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate**
5 **preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.**