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An Act

HOUSE BILL 26-1068

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) McCluskie and Duran, Caldwell, Bacon, Boesenecker, Bradley, Brown, Camacho, Carter, Clifford, English, Espenosa, Froelich, Garcia, Goldstein, Gonzalez R., Hamrick, Jackson, Joseph, Lindsay, Mabrey, Marshall, Martinez, Mauro, McCormick, Nguyen, Paschal, Phillips, Rutinel, Sirota, Smith, Soper, Stewart K., Velasco, Willford, Zokaie;
also SENATOR(S) Coleman and Rodriguez, Amabile, Benavidez, Exum, Hinrichsen, Jodeh, Kipp, Snyder, Sullivan, Wallace.

CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO ESTABLISH POLICIES FOR LEGISLATORS TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY IN MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES CONSISTING OF MEMBERS FROM BOTH CHAMBERS THAT ARE HELD AT ANY TIME DURING THE YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-303, **amend** (2)(h)(I)(A) and (2)(h)(II) as follows:

2-3-303. Functions - report - definitions - repeal.

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

(2) In addition to any other powers and duties set forth in law, the executive committee of the legislative council has the following powers and duties:

(h) (I) The power to allow members of the general assembly to participate electronically in legislative proceedings and to recommend, develop, and establish policies regarding electronic participation if so allowed; except that, if allowed, electronic participation must only be allowed for:

(A) Committee meetings occurring during the legislative interim OR OTHER MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF MEMBERS FROM BOTH CHAMBERS CONVENED AT ANY TIME DURING THE YEAR. THIS SUBSECTION (2)(h)(I)(A) DOES NOT APPLY TO A JOINT MEETING OF ONE OR MORE HOUSE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE AND ONE OR MORE SENATE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE; or

(II) A member participating electronically in a committee meeting OCCURRING DURING THE LEGISLATIVE INTERIM pursuant to subsection (2)(h)(I)(A) of this section is deemed to be in attendance of that committee for the purpose of receiving compensation to which the member is entitled under section 2-2-307 (3). Notwithstanding section 2-2-307 (3)(b), members participating electronically IN INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS are not entitled to reimbursement for any expenses incurred in connection with such electronic participation.

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

the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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