A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "§26- Livestreaming; remote testimony; state
- 5 departments; meetings. (a) Beginning January 1, 2023, each
- 6 principal department shall livestream all meetings through the
- 7 use of audiovisual technology, which shall be made available to
- 8 the public on the respective department's website; provided
- 9 that, in addition to any other hearing notice requirements,
- 10 notice of all meetings shall be made via social media.
- (b) Each principal department shall establish, by rule,
- 12 procedures to enable the receiving of remote testimony for
- 13 meetings.
- 14 (c) The requirements of this section shall not apply to
- 15 any county entity."

- 1 SECTION 2. Chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§92- Livestreaming; remote testimony; boards and
- 5 commissions; meetings. (a) Beginning January 1, 2023, all
- 6 boards and commissions shall livestream all meetings through the
- 7 use of audiovisual technology, which shall be made available to
- 8 the public on the respective board's or commission's website;
- 9 provided that, in addition to any other hearing notice
- 10 requirements, notice of all meetings shall be made via social
- 11 media.
- 12 (b) All boards and commissions shall establish, by rule,
- 13 procedures to enable the receiving of remote testimony for
- 14 meetings.
- 15 (c) The requirements of this section shall not apply to
- 16 any county entity."
- 17 SECTION 3. (a) There is established a livestreaming pilot
- 18 program that shall require the board of agriculture, board of
- 19 land and natural resources, and Hawaiian homes commission to
- 20 livestream all its meetings through the use of audiovisual
- 21 technology, which shall be made to the public on the respective

- 1 board's or commission's website; provided that, in addition to
- 2 any other hearing notice requirements, notice of all meetings
- 3 shall be made via social media.
- 4 (b) The pilot program shall cease to exist on December 31,
- 5 2022.
- 6 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Livestream; Departments; Boards and Commissions; Meetings; Remote Testimony; Pilot Program

Description:

Beginning January 1, 2023, requires all state departments and boards and commissions to livestream meetings and develop procedures for receiving remote testimony. Establishes a pilot program that requires the Board of Agriculture, Board of Land and Natural Resources, and Hawaiian Homes Commission to livestream its meetings. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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