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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECORDINGS OF PUBLIC MEETINGS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 92-3.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 3 "(b) For a remote meeting held by interactive conference 4 technology pursuant to this section: 5 (1) The interactive conference technology used by the 6 board shall allow interaction among all members of the 7 board participating in the meeting and all members of 8 the public attending the meeting; 9 (2) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), a 10 quorum of board members participating in the meeting 11 shall be visible and audible to other members and the 12 public during the meeting; provided that no other 13 meeting participants shall be required to be visible 14 during the meeting; 15 (3) Any board member participating in a meeting by 16 interactive conference technology shall be considered

present at the meeting for the purpose of determining

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1		compliance with the quorum and voting requirements of
2		the board;
3	(4)	At the start of the meeting the presiding officer
4		shall announce the names of the participating members;
5	(5)	All votes shall be conducted by roll call unless
6		unanimous; and
7	(6)	[When practicable, boards] Boards shall record
8		meetings open to the public, when practicable, and
9		make the recording of any meeting electronically
10		available to the public as soon as practicable after a
11		meeting and until a time as the minutes required by
12		section 92-9 are electronically posted on the board's
13		website. Boards are encouraged to keep recordings
14		available on their website."
15	SECT	ION 2. Section 92-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
17	"(a)	The board shall keep written or recorded minutes of
18	all meeti	ngs. Unless otherwise required by law, neither a full
19	transcript nor a recording of the meeting is required, but the	
20	minutes s	hall give a true reflection of the matters discussed at
21	the meeti	ng and the views of the participants. <u>Before the</u>

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1	removal o	f a recording that was maintained on a board's website
2	pursuant	to section 92-3.7(b)(6), the board shall provide the
3	state arc	hives with a copy of the recording. Written minutes
4	shall inc	lude[, but need not be limited to:] at minimum:
5	(1)	The date, time, and place of the meeting;
6	(2)	The members of the board recorded as either present or
7		absent;
8	(3)	The substance of all matters proposed, discussed, or
9		decided; and a record, by individual member, of any
10		votes taken; [and]
11	(4)	If an electronic audio or video recording of the
12		meeting is available online, a link to the electronic
13		audio or video recording of the meeting, to be placed
14		at the beginning of the minutes; and
15	[(4)]	(5) Any other information that any member of the
16		board requests be included or reflected in the
17		minutes."
18	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
19	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
20	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on October 1, 2023.

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Report Title:

Recordings of Public Meetings; Meeting Minutes; Public Record; Boards

Description:

Encourages boards to maintain recordings of board meetings on the board's website regardless of whether the written minutes of the meeting have been posted. Requires boards to provide the State Archives with a copy of any recording of a board meeting before removing the recording from the board's website. Requires the written minutes of board meetings to include a link to the electronic audio or video recording, if available online. Effective 10/1/2023. (SD1)

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