

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 124

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

CIVIL/PROCEDURE: Provides relative to certain judicial proceedings conducted by audio-visual means

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 195.1, relative to judicial proceedings conducted
3 by audio-visual means; to provide for hearings and exceptions; to provide for judge
4 trials; to provide for the discretion of the court; to provide for the consent of the
5 parties; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 195.1 is hereby enacted to read as
8 follows:

9 Art. 195.1. Judicial proceedings by audio-visual means

10 A. A hearing on any motion or exception may be conducted by any audio-
11 visual means at the discretion of the court. If witness testimony is necessary, a party
12 may request that the hearing be conducted in person.

13 B. A judge trial may be conducted by any audio-visual means with the
14 consent of all parties and permission of the court.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes hearings and judge trials to be conducted by any audio-visual means.

Proposed law provides that a hearing on any motion or exception may be conducted by any audio-visual means at the discretion of the court. Further provides that if witness testimony is necessary, a party may request that the hearing be conducted in person.

Proposed law further provides that a judge trial may be conducted by any audio-visual means with the consent of all parties and permission of the court.

(Adds C.C.P. Art. 195.1)