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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to  
Original Senate Bill No. 224 by Senator Hewitt

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete lines 9 through 14 and insert:

3 **"A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter to the contrary,**  
4 **members of the legislature or legislative committee may remotely attend,**  
5 **participate, vote, and transact business via electronic means provided:**

6 **(1) The governor has declared a state of emergency or disaster and the**  
7 **nature of the emergency or disaster would cause a meeting of the legislature or**  
8 **legislative committee conducted pursuant to the other provisions of this Chapter**  
9 **to be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the public.**

10 **(2) The presiding officer of the house of which he is a member certifies**  
11 **on the notice of the meeting that the agenda of the meeting is limited to one or**  
12 **more of the following:**

13 **(a) Matters that are directly related to the legislature's response to the**  
14 **disaster or emergency and are critical to the health, safety, or welfare of the**  
15 **public.**

16 **(b) Matters that if they are delayed will cause curtailment of vital public**  
17 **services or severe economic dislocation and hardship.**

18 **(c) Matters that are critical to continuation of the business of the**  
19 **legislature and that are not able to be postponed to a meeting held in**  
20 **accordance with the other provisions of this Chapter due to a legal requirement**  
21 **or other deadline that cannot be postponed or delayed by the legislature."**

22 AMENDMENT NO. 2

23 On page 2, line 13, after "**legislature**" and before "**shall**" insert "**or legislative committee**"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 3

25 On page 2, line 15, after "**legislature**" and before "**shall**" insert "**or legislative committee**"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 4

27 On page 2, between lines 22 and 23 insert:

28 **"(5) Before being allowed to testify, each person appearing before a**  
29 **legislative committee shall swear or affirm that his testimony is true and**  
30 **correct. He shall then be considered to be under oath while providing testimony**  
31 **before the committee and subject to punishment for contempt."**