



members of the public at all times except for during executive session.

Proposed law requires a meeting held via electronic means to recess if a problem occurs that causes the meeting to no longer be visible or audible to the public until the problem is resolved. Further requires the meeting to adjourn if the problem is not resolved in less than two hours.

Proposed law dictates that an authorized statewide body or advisory council is prohibited from meeting via electronic means successively and further prohibits the total number of meetings held via electronic means from exceeding one-third of the public body's total yearly meetings.

Proposed law specifies that the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, La. Board of Ethics, Board of Regents, State Civil Service Commission, La. Citizens Property Insurance Corp., State Board of Commerce and Industry, and the boards of supervisors for the state's higher education systems are prohibited from meeting via electronic means.

Proposed law authorizes the La. Commission for the Deaf, La. Developmental Disabilities Council, and state and regional advisory councils of the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities to conduct any meeting via electronic means, provided provisions of proposed law are met.

Proposed law requires review of the policies and procedures of statewide bodies and advisory councils who elect to meet via electronic means by the office of the legislative auditor to ensure compliance and identify problems. Further requires the office of the legislative auditor to generate and issue a report on the findings along with proposals for legislation to the Senate and House governmental affairs committees.

Proposed law requires all in-person meetings of statewide public bodies and advisory councils to provide for remote public participation.

Proposed law requires all public bodies who are generally ineligible to hold meetings via electronic means to provide for a member of the body and members of the public with a disability recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate remotely via electronic means.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 42:17.2 and 17.3; adds R.S. 42:14(E); repeals R.S. 24:202(G), R.S. 27:11(G)(2), R.S. 42:29, and R.S. 46:123(M))