

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions concerning public meetings.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 1-25-1 be amended to read as follows:

1-25-1. Except as otherwise provided by law, the official meetings of the state and the political subdivisions thereof, including all related boards, commissions and other agencies, and the official meetings of boards, commissions and agencies created by statute or which are nontaxpaying and derive a source of revenue directly from public funds, shall be open to the public, except as provided in this chapter. It does not constitute an official meeting if members of a political subdivision of this state are attending a meeting of the state or one of its political subdivisions, a board, a commission, an association, an agency, or any other public entity for which public notice is provided pursuant to § 1-25-1.1 for the purpose of providing information or observing, and the notice requirements in § 1-25-1.1 do not apply. Meetings, including executive or closed meetings may be conducted by teleconference. Members shall be deemed present if they answer present to the roll call taken by teleconference. Any vote at a meeting held by teleconference shall be taken by roll call. Except for executive or closed meetings held by teleconference, there shall be provided one or more places at which the public may listen to and participate in the proceeding. Except for executive or closed meetings held by teleconference of related boards and commissions of the state, there shall be provided two or more places at which the public may listen to and participate in the proceeding. Except for the Digital Dakota Network, no teleconference may be used in conducting hearings or taking final disposition pursuant to § 1-26-4. Teleconference meetings are subject to the notice provisions of chapter 1-25.

A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

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I certify that the attached Act
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SENATE as Bill No. 199

Secretary of the Senate

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

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Chapter No. _____

Received at this Executive Office
this _____ day of _____ ,

20____ at _____ M.

By _____
for the Governor

The attached Act is hereby
approved this _____ day of
_____, A.D., 20____

Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
ss.
Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____, 20____
at _____ o'clock __ M.

Secretary of State

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State