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HOUSE BILL 21-1001

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SENATE
Amended 3rd Reading
January 15, 2021

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN**
102 **POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEE MEETINGS.**

SENATE
Amended 2nd Reading
January 14, 2021

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

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3rd Reading Unamended
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Through the end of 2021, the bill allows members of a party central committee or vacancy committee to participate in a committee meeting remotely, including by casting the member's vote by e-mail, mail, telephone, or through an internet-based application if allowed by the party's rules.

The bill permits a state party central committee or state party

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
January 13, 2021

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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executive committee to adopt party rules or bylaws to implement the bill's remote participation provisions. The bill also permits a member of the state party central committee or state party executive committee considering such rules or bylaws to participate remotely in a meeting in which the rules or bylaws are being considered.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-3-103, **add** (11) as
3 follows:

4 **1-3-103. Party committees - repeal.** (11) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING
5 ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A MEMBER OF A CENTRAL COMMITTEE
6 MAY PARTICIPATE IN A CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING, INCLUDING A
7 MEETING REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION, REMOTELY, INCLUDING CASTING THE
8 MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL, MAIL, TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN
9 INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION IF ALLOWED BY THE PARTY'S RULES.

10 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A
11 STATE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OR STATE PARTY EXECUTIVE
12 COMMITTEE MAY ADOPT PARTY RULES OR BYLAWS TO IMPLEMENT
13 SUBSECTION (11)(a) OF THIS SECTION. THE STATE PARTY CENTRAL
14 COMMITTEE OR STATE PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY ADOPT SUCH
15 PARTY RULES OR BYLAWS WITHOUT REGARD FOR ANY NOTICE OR CALL
16 REQUIREMENTS IN EXISTING PARTY RULES OR BYLAWS. A MEMBER OF THE
17 STATE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OR STATE PARTY EXECUTIVE
18 COMMITTEE CONSIDERING SUCH RULES OR BYLAWS MAY PARTICIPATE
19 REMOTELY IN A MEETING IN WHICH THE RULES OR BYLAWS ARE BEING
20 CONSIDERED, INCLUDING CASTING THE MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL, MAIL,
21 TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION.

22 (c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A
23 STATE SENATE, STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR COUNTY

1 COMMISSIONER DISTRICT COMMITTEE MAY HOLD A MEETING TO ADDRESS
2 ORGANIZATIONAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, INCLUDING WITHOUT
3 LIMITATION, THE ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE'S OFFICERS, SEPARATE
4 FROM A MEETING OF THE STATE OR COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE. A
5 MEMBER OF A DISTRICT COMMITTEE MAY PARTICIPATE IN A SEPARATE
6 MEETING HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION (11)(c) BY
7 REMOTE MEANS, INCLUDING CASTING THE MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL,
8 MAIL, TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION IF
9 SUCH REMOTE PARTICIPATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE CHAIR AND
10 VICE-CHAIR OF THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

11 (d) THIS SUBSECTION (11) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31,
12 2021.

13 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 1-4-1012 as
14 follows:

15 **1-4-1012. Remote participation in vacancy committee**
16 **meetings - repeal.** (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE
17 CONTRARY, A MEMBER OF A VACANCY COMMITTEE FILLING A VACANCY
18 PURSUANT TO THIS PART 10 MAY PARTICIPATE IN A VACANCY COMMITTEE
19 MEETING REMOTELY, INCLUDING CASTING THE MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL,
20 MAIL, TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION IF
21 ALLOWED BY THE PARTY'S RULES.

22 (2) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2021.

23 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-12-203, **add** (6) as
24 follows:

25 **1-12-203. Vacancies in general assembly - repeal.**
26 (6)(a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A MEMBER
27 OF A VACANCY COMMITTEE FILLING A VACANCY PURSUANT TO THIS

1 SECTION MAY PARTICIPATE IN A VACANCY COMMITTEE MEETING
2 REMOTELY, INCLUDING CASTING THE MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL, MAIL,
3 TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION IF ALLOWED
4 BY THE PARTY'S RULES.

5 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (6) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31,
6 2021.

7 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-12-206, **add** (7) as
8 follows:

9 **1-12-206. Vacancies in the office of county commissioner -**
10 **repeal.** (7) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, A
11 MEMBER OF A VACANCY COMMITTEE FILLING A VACANCY PURSUANT TO
12 THIS SECTION MAY PARTICIPATE IN A VACANCY COMMITTEE MEETING
13 REMOTELY, INCLUDING CASTING THE MEMBER'S VOTE BY E-MAIL, MAIL,
14 TELEPHONE, OR THROUGH AN INTERNET-BASED APPLICATION IF ALLOWED
15 BY THE PARTY'S RULES.

16 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (7) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31,
17 2021.

18 **SECTION 5. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
19 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.