

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 11, 2022

Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to providing a videoconferencing exemption from the open meetings law for certain community boards

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (c) of section 103 of the public officers law,
2 as added by chapter 289 of the laws of 2000, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 (c) A public body that uses videoconferencing to conduct its meetings
5 shall provide an opportunity for the public to attend, listen and
6 observe at any site at which a member participates, provided this subdivi-
7 vision shall not apply to community boards established pursuant to
8 section twenty-eight hundred of the New York City charter.

9 § 2. Subdivision 4 of section 104 of the public officers law, as added
10 by chapter 289 of the laws of 2000, is amended to read as follows:

11 4. If videoconferencing is used to conduct a meeting, the public
12 notice for the meeting shall inform the public that videoconferencing
13 will be used, identify the locations for the meeting, and state that the
14 public has the right to attend the meeting at any of the locations,
15 provided this subdivision shall not apply to community boards estab-
16 lished pursuant to section twenty-eight hundred of the New York City
17 charter except that the public notice for the meeting shall inform the
18 public that videoconferencing will be used and identify the internet
19 address at which members of the public can view the meeting.

20 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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