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## IN ASSEMBLY

January 29, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN, GALEF, DINOWITZ, STECK -- Multi-Sponsored  
by -- M. of A. COOK, THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to meetings and  
proceedings of the joint commission on public ethics

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 19 of section 94 of the execu-  
tive law, as amended by section 6 of part A of chapter 399 of the laws  
of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

(b) [~~Notwithstanding the provisions of article seven of the public  
officers law, no meeting or proceeding, including any such proceeding  
contemplated under paragraph (h) or (i) of subdivision nine of this  
section,~~ Meetings and proceedings of the commission shall be open to  
the public~~, except if expressly provided otherwise by the commission or  
as is required by article one-A of the legislative law~~ pursuant to  
article seven of the public officers law. Notwithstanding the provisions  
of article seven of the public officers law, commissioners may partic-  
ipate in a meeting or proceeding of the commission, including voting,  
from a location not open to the general public to conduct the business  
of the commission, so long as one of the locations from which the meet-  
ing or proceeding is being conducted complies with the provisions of  
article seven of the public officers law. Such participation shall count  
towards quorum. Furthermore, the commission shall maintain a record of  
the final vote of each member in every proceeding of the commission in  
which the member votes.

§ 2. 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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