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IN SENATE

September 29, 2021

Introduced by Sen. KAPLAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to requiring public bodies to ensure that proceedings of meetings are audible for individuals in person and via broadcast

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

Section 1. Section 103 of the public officers law is amended by adding a new subdivision (g) to read as follows:

(g) Public bodies shall make or cause to be made reasonable efforts to ensure that proceedings of meetings are audible to those individuals who attend such meetings in person or via broadcast by providing audiovisual equipment, including but not limited to microphones and speakers to ensure that individuals in attendance as well as individuals watching via broadcast can adequately hear the proceedings of the meeting.

§ 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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