

## HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY REPRESENTATIVE Epps

- 1 Amend the Judiciary Committee Report, dated April 5, 2023, page 1,  
2 strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute "Amend printed bill, page 2, line 23,  
3 strike "PLATFORM" and substitute "PLATFORM, WHICH MAY INCLUDE A  
4 PARTICIPATORY WEB CONFERENCING PLATFORM,"."
- 5 Page 1, after line 2 insert "Page 3, line 1, strike "EXISTING" and substitute  
6 "SUFFICIENT".
- 7 Page 1, before line 3 insert:  
8 "Page 3, line 2, strike "CAPABILITY" and substitute "CAPABILITY, SUCH AS  
9 A PARTICIPATORY WEB CONFERENCING PLATFORM,"."
- 10 Page 1, line 14, after "(1)(a);" add "AND".
- 11 Page 2, line 4, strike "MAY" and substitute "MUST INCLUDE AN ON-SCREEN  
12 WARNING THAT ANY RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDINGS WITHOUT A COURT  
13 ORDER, INCLUDING ANY SCREEN CAPTURE, PHOTOGRAPH, OR AUDIOVISUAL  
14 RECORDING, IS PROHIBITED. "REASONABLE STEPS" MAY ALSO".
- 15 Page 2, line 5, strike "A" and substitute "AN ADDITIONAL".
- 16 Page 2, line 10, strike "COURTS" and substitute "TO HELP FACILITATE  
17 PRIVILEGED, CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE COURTROOM,  
18 COURTS".
- 19 Page 2, strike lines 19 through 25 and substitute:  
20 "MAY INCLUDE:  
21 (I) ANNOUNCING THE SEQUESTRATION ORDER AS FREQUENTLY AS  
22 NECESSARY IN OPEN COURT;  
23 (II) REQUIRING OBSERVERS TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES TO ENSURE  
24 NONE ARE POTENTIAL WITNESSES AND THAT ANY OBSERVERS WHO ARE  
25 FORBIDDEN FROM DISCUSSING THE CASE WITH WITNESSES KNOW OF THAT  
26 OBLIGATION;  
27 (III) AT THE REQUEST OF A PARTY, ALLOWING THE COURT OR  
28 PARTY TO INQUIRE OF ANY WITNESS, WHILE UNDER OATH AND OUTSIDE  
29 THE PRESENCE OF THE JURY, IF THE WITNESS WATCHED ANY PORTION OF  
30 THE PROCEEDING OR DISCUSSED ANY PORTION OF THE PROCEEDING WITH  
31 ANYONE PRIOR TO TESTIFYING; AND  
32 (IV) TERMINATING REMOTE OBSERVATION TO PROTECT THE  
33 PARTIES' RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL OR TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
34 SEQUESTRATION ORDER."."

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