

MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL
Amendment Summary Form

Legislation: Revised proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2021 HAWAII STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL TO ALLOW VIRTUAL MEETINGS BY INTERACTIVE CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY."

Proposer: Tamara Paltin 
Councilmember

Description: Amend the State bill attached to the resolution to allow for a recess of up to an hour to resolve connectivity issues for meetings held by interactive conference technology.

Motion: Move to amend Section 92-3.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to read as follows, with the proposed new content underscored:

"(b) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section to the contrary, a board member with a disability that limits or impairs the member's ability to physically attend the meeting may participate in a board meeting from a location not accessible to the public; provided that the member with a disability is connected to other members of the board and the public by both visual and audio means, and the member identifies where the member is located and who, if anyone, is present at that location with the member. When practicable, meetings held by interactive conference technology may be recessed for up to one hour when audio communication cannot be maintained with a quorum of members or with the public location where the meeting by interactive conference technology is being held."

Reasons: The allowance of a recess period of up to one hour is consistent with legislation proposed by the Office of Information Practices on its website, dated August 6, 2020, and would make remote meetings more feasible.