

SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

S.F. No. 39

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
07/13/2020	17	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Rules and Administration
	27	Author added Carlson

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A bill for an act

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relating to notaries; authorizing use of video appearance for real estate document

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notarization during public health emergency.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. REAL ESTATE DOCUMENT NOTARIZATION; APPEARANCE BY

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VIDEO AUTHORIZED DURING PEACETIME PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.

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During and for 60 days after the expiration of a peacetime public health emergency,

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with respect to documents recorded pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapters 507, 508, and

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508A, the requirement to appear personally under Minnesota Statutes, section 358.56, is

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deemed met when individuals, whether acting on behalf of themselves or in a representative

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capacity, not in the same location communicate via video conference in real time. For

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purposes of this section, "peacetime public health emergency" means any peacetime

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emergency declared by the governor in an executive order that relates to the infectious

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disease known as COVID-19.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and

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expires January 6, 2021.