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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law
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Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to Open Meeting Law; authorizing meeting broadcasting through social
1.3 media; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13D.065.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13D.065, is amended to read:

1.6 13D.065 USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Use by members. The use of social media by members of a public body
1.8 does not violate this chapter so long as the social media use is limited to exchanges with all
1.9 members of the general public. For purposes of this section, email is not considered a type
1.10 of social media.

1.11 Subd. 2. Broadcast use. (a) A public body may use social media to live broadcast a
1.12 meeting subject to this chapter so long as:

1.13 (1) the social media platform does not require an individual to have an account to access
1.14 content on the platform; and

1.15 (2) all the requirements under this subdivision are met.

1.16 (b) A public body must not offer a social media comment feature during a broadcast
1.17 authorized under this subdivision.

1.18 (c) A public body that uses social media to live broadcast a meeting pursuant to this
1.19 subdivision must state in the required notice under section 13D.04 that social media
1.20 broadcasting will occur and provide information about how the broadcast may be accessed.
1.21 If a public comment period is offered during the meeting, the notice must state the process

2.1 for the submission of public comments before or during the meeting from individuals viewing
2.2 the meeting remotely in order to be included in the meeting record.

2.3 (d) Nothing in this subdivision authorizes a public body to conduct a meeting through
2.4 social media for the purposes of section 13D.02 or 13D.021 if the social media technology
2.5 does not meet the requirements for interactive technology under this chapter.

2.6 (e) For the purposes of this subdivision, "public body" means entities described in section
2.7 13D.01, subdivision 1, except:

2.8 (1) a state agency, board, commission, or department, and a statewide public pension
2.9 plan defined in section 356A.01, subdivision 24; and

2.10 (2) a committee, subcommittee, board, department, or commission of an entity listed in
2.11 clause (1).

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