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02/22/2021	485	Introduction and first reading Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to public safety; requiring courts to use interactive video teleconference

1.3or other remote technology when conducting most criminal proceedings; proposing

1.4coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 630.

1.5BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6Section 1. [630.38] REQUIREMENT FOR COURTS TO EMPLOY REMOTE

1.7TECHNOLOGY TO CONDUCT MOST CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.

1.8(a) Unless the court determines that the interests of justice are not served by so doing,

1.9the court shall continue to conduct criminal proceedings remotely through the use of

1.10interactive video teleconference or other remote technology that permits the parties and

1.11attorneys to appear without being in the courtroom or by review of the parties' submissions

1.12without oral argument as provided in the chief justice's order governing the operations of

1.13the Minnesota Judicial Branch under Emergency Executive Orders 20-53 and 20-56 filed

1.14on May 15, 2020.

1.15(b) This section supersedes any conflicting court rule or order.

1.16EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.