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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Code Section 50-14-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings open to the public, limitation on action to contest agency action, recording, notice of time and place, access to minutes, and telecommunications conferences, so as to authorize local workforce development boards and their associated committees and local officials to conduct meetings via teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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## **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 50-14-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings open 10 to the public, limitation on action to contest agency action, recording, notice of time and 11 place, access to minutes, and telecommunications conferences, is amended by revising 12 subsection (f) as follows:

13 "(f) An agency with state-wide jurisdiction or committee of such an agency shall be 14 authorized to conduct meetings by teleconference, provided that any such meeting is 15 conducted in compliance with this chapter. <u>A local workforce development board formed</u> 16 <u>pursuant to the federal Workforce Investment Act (Public Law 105-220), or any</u>

17	amendment	or successor	thereto,	or its	committees	or	local	elected	officials	when	acting
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- 18 or performing duties under such act, where not inconsistent with such act, shall qualify as
- 19 <u>an agency under this subsection.</u>"
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## **SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming lawwithout such approval.

- 23 **SECTION 3.**
- 24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.