

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Sarasota-Manatee Airport Authority;
 3 amending chapter 2003-309, Laws of Florida; authorizing
 4 attendance and participation at certain emergency meetings
 5 of the Sarasota-Manatee Airport Authority by
 6 teleconference under certain circumstances; providing for
 7 a quorum; providing for compliance with public meetings
 8 requirements; providing an effective date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 4 of section 3 of
 13 chapter 2003-309, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

14 Section 4. Organization and conduct of business of
 15 authority.—

16 (2) A majority of the members of the authority constitutes
 17 a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum of
 18 the members of the authority is necessary for any action taken
 19 by the authority. Notwithstanding section 120.54(5)(b)2.,
 20 Florida Statutes, any member who is unable to attend a bona fide
 21 emergency meeting of the authority due to his or her own medical
 22 treatment or physical infirmity, or due to his or her physical
 23 absence from the district on the day of the emergency meeting,
 24 may nevertheless participate in the meeting through the use of
 25 teleconferencing equipment, in which case, the member shall be
 26 deemed in attendance for purposes of establishing a quorum and
 27 shall be entitled to cast a vote at the emergency meeting.
 28 Meetings using teleconferencing equipment as authorized under

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29 this subsection must comply with the provisions of sections
30 286.0105, 286.011, and 286.012, Florida Statutes, and the
31 teleconferencing equipment must allow members of the public to
32 hear the comments by all participating members, including those
33 who may be absent but are participating through the use of the
34 teleconferencing equipment.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.