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A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority; amending chapter 2003-309, Laws of Florida; authorizing attendance and participation at certain emergency meetings of the Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority by teleconference under certain circumstances; providing for a quorum; providing for compliance with public meetings requirements; providing an effective date. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 4 of section 3 of chapter 2003-309, Laws of Florida, is amended to read: Section 4. Organization and conduct of business of authority.-(2) A majority of the members of the authority constitutes a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum of the members of the authority is necessary for any action taken by the authority. Any member who is unable to attend a bona fide emergency meeting of the authority due to his or her own medical treatment or physical infirmity, or due to his or her physical absence from the district on the day of the emergency meeting, may nevertheless participate in the meeting through the use of teleconferencing equipment, in which case the member shall be deemed to be in attendance for purposes of establishing a quorum and shall be entitled to cast a vote at the emergency meeting.

27 <u>Meetings using teleconferencing equipment as authorized under</u>

28 this subsection must comply with the provisions of sections

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29 <u>189.417, 286.0105, 286.011, and 286.012, Florida Statutes, and</u>
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- 30 the teleconferencing equipment must allow members of the public
- 31 to hear the comments by all participating members, including
- 32 those who may be absent but are participating through the use of
- 33 the teleconferencing equipment.
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Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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