

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

The Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act allows meetings of directors and members to be held by telephone or similar communications equipment, if all participants can hear each other. H.B. 756 would allow corporations, boards, or committee meetings of directors and members to be held by means of video conferencing or the Internet.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 756 allows meetings of directors and members of a corporation, committee, or board to be held by means of telephone conference or other remote communication technology.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Article 9.11, Article 1396-9.11, V.T.C.S. (Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act), as follows:

Art. 9.11. New heading: MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE OR OTHER REMOTE COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY. Authorizes members of a corporation, members of the board of directors of a corporation, or members of any committee designated by such board to participate in and hold a meeting of such members, board, or committee by means of another suitable electronic communication system, including video conferencing technology or the Internet, only if each member entitled to participate in the meeting consents to the meeting being held by means of that system; and the system provides access to the meeting in a manner or using a method by which each member participating in the meeting can communicate concurrently with each other participant. Requires participation in a meeting pursuant to this Article to constitute presence in person at such meeting. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.