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**An Act To Authorize Remote Participation in Maine State Cultural
Affairs Council Meetings**

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Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 27 MRSA §553**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 573, §§2 and 3, is further
3 amended by amending the section headnote to read:

4 **§553. Membership; meetings**

5 **Sec. 2. 27 MRSA §553, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

6 **3. Meetings.** The Maine State Cultural Affairs Council may conduct a public
7 proceeding using telephonic, video, electronic or other means of remote participation when
8 2 or more members are physically present at the location of the public proceeding identified
9 in the notice required under Title 1, section 4 and the total number of members participating
10 in the meeting, both physically present and participating remotely, constitute a quorum.

11 **SUMMARY**

12 This bill allows the Maine State Cultural Affairs Council to conduct a public
13 proceeding using telephonic, video, electronic or other means of remote participation when
14 2 or more members are physically present at the location of the public proceeding identified
15 in the notice for the meeting and the total number of members participating in the meeting,
16 both physically present and participating remotely, constitute a quorum.