



SENATE BILL 704: COVID-19 Recovery Act, Sec. 4.2: Emergency Video Witnessing

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Analysis of:	Sec. 4.2 of S.L. 2020-3		

OVERVIEW: *Section 4.2 of S.L. 2020-3, as amended by Section 27 of S.L. 2020-74, authorizes a person to witness a principal sign a document by using video conference technology and treats the attesting witness as having signed the document in the presence of the principal if all of the following apply:*

- *The video conference technology allows for direct, real time audio and video interaction between each principal signer and the witness.*
- *During that period of direct, real time audio and video interaction, the principal's signature is witnessed by the attesting witness and the attesting witness immediately thereafter signs the document.*
- *The principal and witnesses are physically located in North Carolina when the document is executed.*

This section became effective May 4, 2020, and, as amended by Section 27 of S.L. 2020-74, expires on March 1, 2021.

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