

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking

Remote Meeting Protocol for Local Public Bodies During Declared Emergency

N.J.A.C. 5:39

Petitioner: Larry S. Loigman, Esq.

Take notice that on December 27, 2023, the Department of Community Affairs (Department) received a petition for rulemaking from the above petitioner requesting that the Department promulgate a new rule prohibiting any member of a local public body from being counted towards a quorum, or voting on any motion, resolution, or ordinance if that member is participating remotely. The petitioner argues that the above-referenced rule is necessary to address inconsistent practices in the conduct of public meetings by different political subdivisions, and that the Department has authority to promulgate such a rule pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.3(d).

In accordance with the provisions at N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2, the Department shall subsequently mail to the petitioner, and file with the Office of Administrative Law, a notice of action on the petition.