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THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES MAY DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY OR INCIDENTAL TO THE CARRYING OUT OF THE COMPACT IN EVERY PARTICULAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end all the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all laws or parts of laws, public general or public local, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

CHAPTER 472

(Senate Bill 1059)

AN ACT to add new Section 56(e) to Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Corporations," subtitle "1. Stock Corporations," subheading "Directors and Officers," to follow immediately after Section 56(d) thereof; providing that meetings of the board of directors of corporations may be under certain conditions held by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 56(e) be and it is hereby added to Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Corporations," subtitle "1. Stock Corporations," subheading "Directors and Officers," to follow immediately after Section 56(d) thereof, and to read as follows:

56.

(E) EXCEPT AS MAY BE OTHERWISE RESTRICTED BY THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BY-LAWS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR ANY COMMITTEE DESIGNATED THEREBY MAY PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING OF SUCH BOARD OR COMMITTEE BY MEANS OF A CONFERENCE TELEPHONE OR SIMILAR COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT BY MEANS OF WHICH ALL PERSONS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING CAN HEAR EACH OTHER AT THE SAME TIME AND PARTICIPATION BY SUCH MEANS SHALL CONSTITUTE PRESENCE IN PERSON AT A MEETING.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.