

HB 3218 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows the execution of wills (except international wills) to be completed with the testator in the physical or electronic presence of each of the witnesses. Clarifies that "electronic presence" has the meaning given to it in the witnessing statutes. Allows statutory witnessing declaration forms to apply to wills. States that the provision applies to wills executed on or after the effective date. Takes effect on the 91st day after sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 3218 allows for a person to execute a will with the witness physically or electronically present.