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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill allows certain civil commitment hearings to be conducted by interactive video conference.

#### Section

- 1** **Place of hearing.** Amends § 253B.08, subd. 2a. Allows the initial commitment hearing to be conducted by interactive video conference. Requires compliance with the provisions on the use of interactive video teleconference found in the General Rules of Practice, rule 131, and Minnesota Rules of Civil Commitment, rule 14.
- 2** **Time and place of hearing.** Amends § 253B.13, subd. 2a. Allows the commitment review hearing to be conducted by interactive video conference. Requires compliance with the provisions on the use of interactive video teleconference found in the General Rules of Practice, rule 131, and Minnesota Rules of Civil Commitment, rule 14.
- 3** **Procedure.** Amends § 253D.28, subd. 2. Allows the Judicial Appeal Panel to conduct a hearing related to the continued commitment of a person who is committed as a sexually dangerous person or as a sexual psychopathic personality by interactive video conference. Requires compliance with the provisions on the use of interactive video teleconference found in the General Rules of Practice, rule 131, and Minnesota Rules of Civil Commitment, rule 14.