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3 By Representative Boothe
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Board of Trustees of
9 Troy University may establish a quorum in person or
10 through electronic communications and no more than
11 two members may participate in a meeting pursuant
12 to electronic communications.

13 This bill would allow standing committees of
14 the board that only make recommendations to the
15 board to meet pursuant to electronic
16 communications.

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18 A BILL
19 TO BE ENTITLED
20 AN ACT
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22 To amend Section 16-56-5, Code of Alabama 1975,
23 relating to the Board of Trustees of Troy University, to allow
24 standing committees of the board that only make
25 recommendations to the board to meet pursuant to electronic
26 communications.

27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 16-56-5 of the Code of Alabama
2 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 "§16-56-5.

4 "(a) A majority of the members of the board of
5 trustees shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may
6 adjourn from day to day until a quorum is present. A quorum
7 may be assembled in person or through electronic
8 communications that permit complete auditory access to the
9 proceedings of the board. During each meeting of the board, no
10 more than two members may participate through electronic
11 communications.

12 "(b) Standing committees of the board, excluding the
13 executive committee, may meet by means of telephone
14 conference, video conference, or other electronic means by
15 which all persons participating in the meeting, and members of
16 the public, may hear each other simultaneously, if the
17 committee has no authority other than to make recommendations
18 to the full board. Meetings conducted pursuant to this
19 subsection shall be properly noticed and shall comply with the
20 Alabama Open Meetings Act."

21 Section 2. This act shall become effective
22 immediately following its passage and approval by the
23 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.