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## **Summary**

This bill authorizes certain types of documents related to real estate transactions be notarized remotely, so long as the parties involved – the signer and the notary – are physically located in Minnesota and communicate via video conference in real time while the signatures are made. An audio or video recording of the notarization must be retained for a period of ten years.

The allowance provided in this bill applies only during the period of a peacetime emergency related to the COVID-19 infectious disease outbreak, and for a period of 60 days after the declared emergency ends, or until January 6, 2021, whichever is earlier.

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