



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2017 and 2018

SB1319

Introduced 2/9/2017, by Sen. Tim Bivins

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

755 ILCS 5/11a-11.5 new

Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that the Illinois Supreme Court or any circuit court of this State may adopt rules permitting the use of video conferencing equipment in any adult guardianship hearing. Provides that if the parties, including the respondent, and their attorneys, including the State Guardian or public guardian or an authorized representative of the State Guardian or public guardian, agree, one or multiple participants may testify by video conferencing equipment from any location in the absence of a court rule specifically prohibiting that testimony.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Probate Act of 1975 is amended by adding
5 Section 11a-11.5 as follows:

6 (755 ILCS 5/11a-11.5 new)

7 Sec. 11a-11.5. Video conferencing. The Illinois Supreme
8 Court or any circuit court of this State may adopt rules
9 permitting the use of video conferencing equipment in any
10 hearing under this Article. If the parties, including the
11 respondent, and their attorneys, including the State Guardian
12 or public guardian or an authorized representative of the State
13 Guardian or public guardian, agree, one or multiple
14 participants may testify by video conferencing equipment from
15 any location in the absence of a court rule specifically
16 prohibiting that testimony.