

HOUSE RULE - DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

2001 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Margaret Dayton

This House resolution modifies House rules to suggest that a House member make an oral declaration of any conflicts of interest before speaking on legislation or legislative matters on the floor of the House. This resolution takes effect upon approval by the House of Representatives.

This resolution affects legislative rules as follows:

ENACTS:

HR-26.02

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the state of Utah:

Section 1. **HR-26.02** is enacted to read:

HR-26.02. Verbal Disclosure of Conflict of Interest in House Floor Debate.

(1) (a) Before speaking on the floor of the House on any legislation or legislative matter in which a House member reasonably believes that he may have a conflict of interest, the House member should orally disclose to the House that he may have a conflict of interest and what that conflict is.

(b) The declaration of the conflict of interest shall be noted in the House Journal.

(2) Nothing in this House rule requires a House member with a conflict of interest on legislation or a legislative matter pending before the House to orally disclose that conflict of interest if the House member does not speak on the legislation or legislative matter and the conflict has been disclosed on the legislator's conflict of interest form.

Section 2. **Effective date.**

This resolution takes effect upon approval by a constitutional majority vote of all members of the House of Representatives.