

1                                   **JOINT RULES RESOLUTION -**  
2                                   **RECODIFICATION AND REVISIONS**

3                                   2006 GENERAL SESSION

4                                   STATE OF UTAH

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8   **LONG TITLE**

9   **General Description:**

10           This resolution recodifies and revises Joint Rules.

11   **Highlighted Provisions:**

12           This resolution:

13           ▶ reorganizes, renumbers, and makes technical and substantive corrections and  
14 additions to Joint Rules.

15   **Special Clauses:**

16           This resolution provides an immediate effective date.

17   **Legislative Rules Affected:**

18   ENACTS:

19           **JR1-1-101**

20           **JR1-1-102**

21           **JR1-2-101**

22           **JR1-2-102**

23           **JR1-2-103**

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96    *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

97        Section 1. **JR1-1-101** is enacted to read:

98                    **TITLE 1. JOINT RULES GOVERNING GENERAL LEGISLATIVE**

99                                    **ORGANIZATION AND PROCESS**

100                                    **CHAPTER 1. RULES OF PROCEDURE**

101        **JR1-1-101. Sources Governing Legislative Procedure.**

102        Rules of legislative procedure are derived from several sources and take precedence in  
 103 the following order:

- 104        (1) constitutional provisions, statutory provisions, and case law;
- 105        (2) these legislative rules;
- 106        (3) custom, usage, and practice; and
- 107        (4) Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure.

108        Section 2. **JR1-1-102** is enacted to read:

109        **JR1-1-102. Adoption of Legislative Rules.**

110        (1) (a) At the beginning of each legislative session, the Legislature shall adopt Joint  
 111 Rules and the Interim Rules by a constitutional two-thirds vote of all Senators and  
 112 Representatives.

113        (b) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(c), after the initial adoption of Joint and

114 Interim Rules, the Legislature may adopt additional Joint and Interim Rules or amend or repeal  
115 existing Joint or Interim Rules by a constitutional majority vote.

116 (c) The Legislature may adopt or amend a Joint or Interim Rule that includes a voting  
117 requirement of more than a constitutional majority only by a constitutional two-thirds vote of  
118 all Senators and Representatives.

119 (2) The Senate and House Rules Committees shall:

120 (a) meet before each annual general session of the Legislature convenes;

121 (b) review Joint Rules and Interim Rules; and

122 (c) recommend to the Legislature any modifications that they consider necessary.

123 Section 3. **JR1-2-101** is enacted to read:

124 **CHAPTER 2. CONVENING AND ADJOURNING THE LEGISLATURE**

125 **Part 1. Convening the Legislature**

126 **JR1-2-101. Convening the Legislature -- Process -- Date.**

127 (1) The Legislature shall convene:

128 (a) on the date set by the Utah Constitution for the beginning of the annual general  
129 session; or

130 (b) on the date set by the Governor in the proclamation that calls the Legislature into  
131 special session.

132 (2) The Legislature shall convene by:

133 (a) each house being called to order;

134 (b) having an invocation;

135 (c) reciting the pledge of allegiance;

136 (d) reading the certificates of election and giving the oath of office to legislators, if  
137 necessary;

138 (e) calling the roll and declaring whether or not a quorum is present;

139 (f) electing a presiding officer, if necessary;

140 (g) appointing standing committees, if necessary;

141 (h) adopting rules;

142 (i) giving and receiving the notifications required in Joint Rules 1-2-102 and 1-2-103;

143 and

144 (j) introducing bills.

145 (3) Nothing in this rule:

146 (a) requires the Senate or House to perform the items in this rule in a particular order;

147 or

148 (b) prohibits the Senate or House from adding or deleting items.

149 (4) The Daily Order of Business set forth in Senate Rule 23.03 and House Rule 23.03

150 governs on all legislative days other than the day on which the Legislature convenes.

151 Section 4. **JR1-2-102** is enacted to read:

152 **JR1-2-102. Notification of Organization of Each House.**

153 Immediately after the organization of the Senate and House of Representatives at the  
154 beginning of each session of the Legislature, each house shall appoint a committee composed  
155 of three legislators to notify the other house that it is organized and ready to transact business.

156 Section 5. **JR1-2-103** is enacted to read:

157 **JR1-2-103. Joint Committee to Notify Governor.**

158 Upon a motion of the respective houses, a joint committee consisting of three Senators  
159 and three Representatives shall be appointed to inform the Governor personally that:

160 (1) both houses of the Legislature have convened and are organized; and

161 (2) they are ready to receive any communications from the Governor.

162 Section 6. **JR1-2-201** is enacted to read:

163 **Part 2. Adjourning the Legislature**

164 **JR1-2-201. Consent of Other House Required.**

165 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), each house may adjourn from day to day  
166 until:

167 (a) the constitutional time limit for an annual general session or special session expires;

168 (b) the Legislature is dissolved because the terms of office of a majority of the  
169 members of the legislative body have expired; or

170 (c) the Legislature adjourns sine die.

171 (2) As provided in Utah Constitution, Article VI, Section 15, neither house may  
172 adjourn for more than three days unless the other house consents by majority vote.

173 Section 7. **JR1-2-202** is enacted to read:

174 **JR1-2-202. Adjournment Sine Die.**

175 (1) (a) If the Legislature is meeting until midnight on the last day of any session, the  
176 Speaker and the President shall, at midnight, announce the time to the members of their  
177 respective houses.

178 (b) Each house shall cease its business at midnight.

179 (2) Adjournment sine die shall be made after:

180 (a) a committee from each house has notified the opposite house that they have  
181 completed their work;

182 (b) a joint committee has notified the Governor that the Legislature has completed its  
183 work; and

184 (c) the Governor has informed the joint committee that he has nothing further to  
185 present to the Legislature.

186 Section 8. **JR1-3-101** is enacted to read:

187 **CHAPTER 3. RECORD AND DISTRIBUTION OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

188 **Part 1. Recording Legislative Action**

189 **JR1-3-101. Secretary and Chief Clerk to Keep Records of Action.**

190 (1) The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House, or their designees,  
191 shall record on each bill's jacket each action on every bill or resolution taken by the Senate and  
192 House of Representatives.

193 (2) (a) The Senate Secretary or her designee shall ensure that adopted Senate  
194 amendments are inserted in the bill on goldenrod paper.

195 (b) The Chief Clerk of the House or her designee shall ensure that adopted House  
196 amendments are inserted in the bill on lilac paper.

197 Section 9. **JR1-3-102** is enacted to read:

198 **JR1-3-102. Senate and House Journals.**

199 (1) Each house shall:

200 (a) keep a journal of its proceedings;

201 (b) publish the journal daily;

202 (c) ensure that its journal is continuous during the legislative session, with pages  
203 numbered in consecutive order;

204 (d) ensure that the vote on final passage of each bill is by yeas and nays and is entered  
205 upon the journal;

206 (e) ensure that the vote on any other question is by yeas and nays and is entered upon  
207 the journal at the request of five members of that house; and

208 (f) base the journal upon the record of the proceedings taken by the Reading or Docket  
209 Clerk and the electronic recording of those proceedings.

210 (2) The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives  
211 shall provide a final certification of the journal for their respective house.

212 Section 10. **JR1-3-201** is enacted to read:

213 **Part 2. Use of Legislative Seal**

214 **JR1-3-201. Authorized Use of Legislative Seal.**

215 (1) As used in this rule:

216 (a) "Legislative business" means activities performed by a legislator, during the  
217 legislator's term of office that are within the course and scope of the work of a legislator.

218 (b) "Legislative business" includes the use of the legislative seal on letterhead,  
219 memoranda, facsimile cover sheets, news releases, and other materials.

220 (c) "Legislative seal" means the emblem of the Utah State Senate or Utah House of  
221 Representatives designed and adopted by each body to authenticate official communications of  
222 the body or its members.

223 (2) (a) Each legislator shall ensure that, in using the legislative seal, the reputation and  
224 integrity of the legislative institution is preserved.

225 (b) A legislator may use the legislative seal for legislative business on personalized

226 legislative stationary, business cards, and on other documents.

227 (c) The legislative seal may not be used on any political campaign materials.

228 (d) A person may not use the seal for any purpose once the person ceases to be a  
229 legislator.

230 (3) The Senate and House shall provide to a member, upon request, an electronic or  
231 camera-ready copy of the legislative seal.

232 Section 11. **JR2-1-101** is enacted to read:

233 **TITLE 2. SPECIAL SESSIONS AND VETO OVERRIDE SESSION**

234 **CHAPTER 1. SPECIAL SESSIONS**

235 **JR2-1-101. Annual General Session Rules Apply.**

236 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, rules adopted by each house of the  
237 Legislature during the immediately preceding annual general session apply to the conduct of  
238 that house during a special session.

239 Section 12. **JR2-1-102** is enacted to read:

240 **JR2-1-102. Introduction of Bills.**

241 Legislation authorized by the Governor's special session proclamation may be  
242 introduced in either house at any time during a special session of the Legislature.

243 Section 13. **JR2-1-103** is enacted to read:

244 **JR2-1-103. Motions to Reconsider.**

245 A motion to reconsider a piece of special session legislation may be made at any time  
246 during that special session of the Legislature.

247 Section 14. **JR2-2-101** is enacted to read:

248 **CHAPTER 2. VETO OVERRIDE SESSIONS**

249 **Part 1. General Veto Override Procedures**

250 **JR2-2-101. Veto Override Process.**

251 (1) A bill passed by the Legislature and vetoed by the Governor shall be reconsidered  
252 first in the house of origin of the bill.

253 (2) (a) When a vetoed bill is returned to the House or Senate by the Governor, it shall

254 be placed on the third reading calendar.

255 (b) The Legislature may not amend or otherwise modify a vetoed bill or item of  
256 appropriation.

257 (3) If a constitutional two-thirds of the members elected to the first house vote to pass  
258 the bill, it shall be sent to the other house, together with the Governor's objections.

259 (4) If a constitutional two-thirds of the members elected to the other house approve the  
260 bill, the bill becomes law.

261 Section 15. **JR2-2-201** is enacted to read:

262 **Part 2. Veto Override Sessions**

263 **JR2-2-201. Poll to Convene and Calling a Veto Override Session.**

264 (1) (a) If the Legislature is prevented by adjournment sine die from reconsidering any  
265 vetoed bill or item of appropriation vetoed by the Governor, the President of the Senate and the  
266 Speaker of the House shall poll their respective members by mail or other means to determine  
267 if the Legislature shall convene to reconsider vetoed legislation.

268 (b) Each member shall respond to the poll in writing, by telephone, or other available  
269 means.

270 (2) (a) The President and Speaker shall notify the Governor about the results of the  
271 poll.

272 (b) The sponsor of a bill being considered for the veto override shall be provided, upon  
273 request, the itemized list of how each legislator responded to the poll.

274 (3) (a) If two-thirds of the members of each house are in favor of convening a veto  
275 override session, the Legislature shall convene in a veto override session not to exceed five  
276 calendar days, at a time agreed upon by the President and Speaker.

277 (b) A veto override session, if called, shall be convened prior to 60 days after the  
278 adjournment of the session at which the bill or appropriation item under consideration was  
279 passed.

280 (4) (a) The presiding officers shall issue the call of the veto override session of the  
281 Legislature to their members.

282 (b) The call shall contain a list of each bill and appropriation item vetoed by the  
283 Governor and the date and time for convening the veto override session.

284 (5) The Legislature shall consider the vetoed bills and appropriation items according to  
285 the process outlined in JR2-2-101.

286 Section 16. **JR2-2-202** is enacted to read:

287 **JR2-2-202. Scope.**

288 The Legislature may consider only bills or appropriation items vetoed by the Governor  
289 and may not consider any bill or appropriation item that was not vetoed by the Governor.

290 Section 17. **JR2-2-203** is enacted to read:

291 **JR2-2-203. Rules Governing.**

292 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the rules adopted by each house of the  
293 Legislature during the immediately preceding annual general session apply to the conduct of  
294 that house during a veto override session.

295 Section 18. **JR3-1-101** is enacted to read:

296 **TITLE 3. JOINT CONVENTIONS AND JOINT COMMITTEES**

297 **CHAPTER 1. JOINT CONVENTIONS**

298 **JR3-1-101. Process for Calling and Conducting -- Scope.**

299 (1) (a) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House may, by mutual  
300 consent, call joint conventions of the two houses and shall include in the call the purpose for  
301 which the joint convention is called.

302 (b) Joint conventions shall be held in the chambers of the House of Representatives,  
303 with the President of the Senate presiding.

304 (2) At the time fixed for the joint convention:

305 (a) the House of Representatives shall prepare to receive the Senate; and

306 (b) the Senate shall proceed to the chamber of the House of Representatives.

307 (3) The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives  
308 shall:

309 (a) act as secretaries of the joint convention; and

310 (b) enter the proceedings of the convention in the journal of at least one house.  
311 (4) At a joint convention, members of either house may not engage in the transaction of  
312 any business other than that for which they were assembled.

313 Section 19. **JR3-1-102** is enacted to read:

314 **JR3-1-102. Rules Governing Joint Conventions.**

315 (1) The House Rules govern the proceedings in joint convention except those House  
316 Rules that are clearly not applicable.

317 (2) (a) Absent House members may be compelled to attend joint conventions under  
318 House Rules.

319 (b) Absent Senate members may be compelled to attend joint conventions under Senate  
320 Rules.

321 (c) The Sergeant-at-Arms of each house shall attend joint conventions to compel the  
322 attendance of absent members if called upon.

323 (3) Joint conventions may adjourn from time to time as necessary.

324 Section 20. **JR3-2-101** is enacted to read:

325 **CHAPTER 2. JOINT COMMITTEES**

326 **Part 1. General Rules Governing Joint Committees**

327 **JR3-2-101. Interim Rules Govern.**

328 Committees of the Legislature meeting jointly shall be organized and operate under the  
329 Interim Rules, as applicable.

330 Section 21. **JR3-2-102** is enacted to read:

331 **JR3-2-102. Minimum Membership.**

332 Each standing, appropriation, and interim committee, meeting jointly, shall have at least  
333 two Senators and at least two Representatives in its membership.

334 Section 22. **JR3-2-103** is enacted to read:

335 **JR3-2-103. Announcing the Vote.**

336 (1) After a joint committee votes, the chair shall:

337 (a) determine whether the motion passed or failed;

- 338 (b) verbally announce that the motion passed or that the motion failed; and
- 339 (c) verbally identify by name either the committee members who voted "yes" or the
- 340 committee members who voted "no."
- 341 (2) Members dissenting from a committee report may file a minority report or may be
- 342 listed on the majority report as dissenting.

343 Section 23. **JR3-2-201** is enacted to read:

344 **Part 2. Standing Committees**

345 **JR3-2-201. Standing Committees.**

346 The chairs of like committees in each house may convene joint committee meetings and

347 hearings on legislative subjects of common interest.

348 Section 24. **JR3-2-301** is enacted to read:

349 **Part 3. Joint Appropriations Committee and Appropriation Subcommittees**

350 **JR3-2-301. Joint Appropriations Committee -- Creation.**

351 The Joint Appropriations Committee of the Legislature consists of all the members of

352 the Legislature.

353 Section 25. **JR3-2-302** is enacted to read:

354 **JR3-2-302. Appropriation Subcommittees -- Created -- Membership -- Quorum**

355 **and Voting Requirements.**

356 (1) The members of the Joint Appropriations Committee shall be divided into the

357 following subcommittees:

- 358 (a) Capital Facilities and Administrative Services;
- 359 (b) Commerce and Revenue;
- 360 (c) Economic Development;
- 361 (d) Executive Offices and Criminal Justice;
- 362 (e) Health and Human Services;
- 363 (f) Higher Education;
- 364 (g) Natural Resources;
- 365 (h) Public Education;

366           (i) Retirement and Independent Entities; and  
367           (j) Transportation, Environmental Quality, and National Guard.  
368           (2) Subject to Subsection (3), the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House  
369 shall appoint their respective members to each subcommittee.  
370           (3) The Retirement and Independent Entities Subcommittee shall have the same  
371 members as the Retirement and Independent Entities Committee created in Section 63E-1-201.  
372           (4) (a) A majority of any appropriations subcommittee is a quorum for the transaction  
373 of business.  
374           (b) In determining a subcommittee quorum, a majority is at least 50% in one house and  
375 more than 50% in the other.  
376           (5) (a) In all decisions of the subcommittees, a majority vote prevails.  
377           (b) A majority vote is at least 50% of the members of one house and more than 50% in  
378 the other house in attendance.  
379           Section 26. **JR3-2-401** is enacted to read:  
380           **Part 4. Executive Appropriations Committee and Appropriation Process -- Session**  
381 **JR3-2-401. Executive Appropriations -- Creation -- Membership -- Quorum and**  
382 **Voting Requirements.**  
383           (1) There is created an Executive Appropriations Committee consisting of 20 members  
384 composed of:  
385           (a) three members of the majority leadership of the Senate and four members of the  
386 majority leadership of the House;  
387           (b) two members of the minority leadership of the Senate and three members of the  
388 minority leadership of the House;  
389           (c) the chair and vice chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the chair and  
390 vice chair of the House Appropriations Committee; and  
391           (d) (i) one member from the majority party of the Senate as appointed by the President  
392 of the Senate or as chosen by the Senate majority caucus;  
393           (ii) two members from the minority party of the Senate as appointed by the Senate

394 minority leader or as chosen by the Senate minority caucus; and

395 (iii) one member from the minority party of the House as appointed by the House  
396 minority leader or as chosen by the House minority caucus.

397 (2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), a member of the Executive  
398 Appropriations Committee, whose membership is determined under Subsection (1)(a) or (b),  
399 may appoint a designee to permanently serve in that individual's place if:

400 (i) the person is a member of the majority party and the designee is approved by the  
401 Speaker or the President; or

402 (ii) the person is a member of the minority party and the designee is approved by the  
403 House or Senate minority party leader.

404 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), the Senate vice chair and the House  
405 vice chair may not vote, unless either has been appointed as a designee under Subsection (2)(a).

406 (ii) When the Senate or House chair of the Executive Appropriations Committee is  
407 absent, the Senate vice chair or the House vice chair may vote.

408 (3) (a) A majority of the Executive Appropriations Committee is a quorum for the  
409 transaction of business.

410 (b) In determining a committee quorum, a majority is at least 50% in one house and  
411 more than 50% in the other.

412 (4) (a) In all decisions of the Executive Appropriations Committee, a majority vote  
413 prevails.

414 (b) A majority vote is at least 50% of the members of one house and more than 50% of  
415 the members of the other house in attendance.

416 (5) The Office of Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall staff the Executive Appropriations  
417 Committee and its subcommittees.

418 Section 27. **JR3-2-402** is enacted to read:

419 **JR3-2-402. Executive Appropriations -- Duties.**

420 (1) (a) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall meet no later than the third  
421 Wednesday in December to:

- 422           (i) direct staff as to what revenue estimate to use in preparing budget  
423 recommendations;
- 424           (ii) decide whether or not to set aside special allocations for the end of the session;  
425           (iii) approve the appropriate amount for each subcommittee to use in preparing its  
426 budget; and
- 427           (iv) set a budget figure.
- 428           (b) The chairs of each appropriation subcommittee are invited to attend this meeting.  
429           (2) Appropriations subcommittees may not meet while the Senate or House is in  
430 session without special leave from the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate.
- 431           (3) All proposed items of expenditure to be included in the appropriations bills shall be  
432 submitted to one of the subcommittees named in JR3-2-302 for consideration and  
433 recommendation.
- 434           (4) (a) After receiving and reviewing subcommittee reports, the Executive  
435 Appropriations Committee may refer the report back to an appropriations subcommittee with  
436 any guidelines the Executive Appropriations Committee considers necessary to assist the  
437 subcommittee in producing a balanced budget.
- 438           (b) The subcommittee shall meet to review the new guidelines and report the  
439 adjustments to the chairs of the Executive Appropriations Committee as soon as possible.
- 440           (5) (a) After receiving the reports, the Executive Appropriations Committee chairs will  
441 report them to the Executive Appropriations Committee.
- 442           (b) That committee shall:
- 443           (i) make any further adjustments necessary to balance the budget; and  
444           (ii) complete all decisions necessary to draft the final appropriations bill no later than  
445 the 38th day of the annual general session.
- 446           Section 28. **JR3-2-501** is enacted to read:
- 447           **Part 5. Executive Appropriations Committee and Subcommittees -- Interim**  
448 **JR3-2-501. Meetings.**
- 449           (1) (a) During the interim, the Executive Appropriations Committee shall meet at least

450 every other month on the day before interim meetings.

451 (b) The appropriations subcommittee chairs may attend these meetings and provide  
452 input regarding their budget.

453 (2) Appropriation subcommittees shall meet at least once during the interim and may  
454 also hold additional meetings if authorized by the Legislative Management Committee.

455 Section 29. **JR3-2-502** is enacted to read:

456 **JR3-2-502. In-depth Budget Review.**

457 (1) Each year, the Executive Appropriations Committee shall:

458 (a) select a state agency, institution, or program to be the subject of an in-depth budget  
459 review; and

460 (b) direct an appropriation subcommittee to conduct the in-depth budget review of the  
461 agency and report back to the Executive Appropriations Committee.

462 (2) In conducting the in-depth budget review, the appropriations subcommittee shall:

463 (a) study, in detail, the budget of the agency, institution, or program;

464 (b) prepare a report making recommendations for reduction or additions to the budget  
465 of that agency, institution, or program; and

466 (c) present its findings and recommendations to the Executive Appropriations  
467 Committee.

468 Section 30. **JR3-2-601** is enacted to read:

469 **Part 6. Conference Committees**

470 **JR3-2-601. Appointment and Chairs.**

471 (1) (a) If the Senate refuses to concur in the House amendments to a Senate bill, the  
472 Secretary of the Senate shall notify the House of the refusal and ask the House to recede from  
473 its amendments.

474 (b) Either house may recede from its position on any difference existing between the  
475 two houses by a majority vote of its members.

476 (c) If the House refuses to recede, the Speaker shall appoint a conference committee of  
477 three.

478 (d) If the Speaker does not immediately appoint a conference committee, the President  
479 may appoint a conference committee.

480 (e) Whenever the President or Speaker appoint a conference committee, the Secretary  
481 of the Senate or Chief Clerk of the House shall:

482 (i) immediately notify the other house of the action taken; and

483 (ii) request the appointment of a like committee.

484 (f) After receiving the notice and request, the presiding officer of the other house shall  
485 appoint a conference committee of three.

486 (2) (a) If the House refuses to concur in the Senate amendments to a House bill, the  
487 Chief Clerk of the House shall notify the Senate of the refusal and ask the Senate to recede  
488 from its amendments.

489 (b) Either house may recede from its position on any difference existing between the  
490 two houses by a majority vote of its members.

491 (c) If the Senate refuses to recede, the President shall appoint a conference committee  
492 of three.

493 (d) If the President does not immediately appoint a conference committee, the Speaker  
494 may appoint a conference committee.

495 (e) Whenever the President or Speaker appoint a conference committee, the Secretary  
496 of the Senate or Chief Clerk of the House shall:

497 (i) immediately notify the other house of the action taken; and

498 (ii) request the appointment of a like committee.

499 (f) After receiving the notice and request, the presiding officer of the other house shall  
500 appoint a conference committee of three.

501 (3) (a) The first Senator named on the conference committee is the Senate chair of the  
502 committee, and the first Representative named on the committee is the House chair.

503 (b) No more than two members of the conference committee may be members of the  
504 majority party.

505 (c) The conference committee chairs shall:

506 (i) arrange the time and place of all meetings; and

507 (ii) direct the preparation of reports.

508 Section 31. **JR3-2-602** is enacted to read:

509 **JR3-2-602. Conference Committee Procedures.**

510 (1) The chair from the house of origin of the bill shall chair meetings of the committee.

511 (2) Staff from the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel may attend the  
512 conference committee meeting to assist in the preparation of the committee report.

513 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), conference committee meetings are open to the  
514 public.

515 (b) Public comment may not be received or made during a conference committee  
516 meeting unless a majority of committee members from one house and at least 50% from the  
517 other house vote to receive public comment.

518 (4) (a) A majority of committee members from each house must approve a conference  
519 committee report in order for it to be presented to the Legislature.

520 (b) (i) If the conference committee cannot reach an agreement, the committee shall  
521 report the failure to agree to both houses.

522 (ii) Upon notice that a conference committee has failed to agree, the presiding officer  
523 of each house may either appoint a new committee or reappoint the former committee.

524 (5) Before a bill being considered by a conference committee is abandoned, not to be  
525 reviewed again by either house during the remainder of the session, each house shall vote to  
526 refuse further conferences by the same committee or a new committee.

527 Section 32. **JR3-2-603** is enacted to read:

528 **JR3-2-603. Conference Committee Report -- Contents -- Disposition.**

529 (1) The conference committee's report shall be in writing.

530 (2) (a) Subject to Subsection (2)(b), the committee may report any modifications or  
531 amendments to the bill that they think advisable.

532 (b) A conference committee may not consider or report on any matter except those at  
533 issue between the two houses.

534 (3) (a) If the bill being discussed by the conference committee is a House bill, the  
535 Senate conference committee members shall present the conference committee report first to  
536 the Senate.

537 (b) If the bill being discussed by the conference committee is a Senate bill, the House  
538 conference committee members shall present the conference committee report first to the  
539 House.

540 (4) (a) After a motion to adopt the conference committee report is approved, the bill  
541 shall be put at the top of the third reading calendar in the first house for consideration.

542 (b) When the first house has acted on the bill, it shall transmit the bill and the report to  
543 the other house, along with a letter explaining its action.

544 (c) Before a house's vote is taken on the conference committee report, the report shall  
545 be read.

546 Section 33. **JR3-2-604** is enacted to read:

547 **JR3-2-604. Failure to Meet.**

548 If the members of the conference committee do not meet in a timely manner after being  
549 appointed, the presiding officers of both houses may appoint a new conference committee and  
550 disband the original conference committee.

551 Section 34. **Repealer.**

552 This resolution repeals:

553 **JR-1.01, Rules Committee of Both Houses to Recommend Rules.**

554 **JR-1.02, Adoption of Legislative Rules.**

555 **JR-1.02.1, Sources Governing Legislative Procedure.**

556 **JR-1.03, Notification of Organization of Each House.**

557 **JR-1.04, Joint Committee to Notify Governor.**

558 **JR-2.01, Where Held; Who Presides.**

559 **JR-2.02, Secretaries; Journal.**

560 **JR-2.03, House Rules to Govern.**

561 **JR-2.04, Convening in the Chambers of the House of Representatives.**

- 562           **JR-2.05, Compelling Attendance of Absent Members.**
- 563           **JR-2.06, Adjournment Duty of Each House.**
- 564           **JR-2.07, No Business to Be Transacted Except That Specified in the Call.**
- 565           **JR-3.01, Standing Committees May Meet Jointly.**
- 566           **JR-3.02, Joint Appropriations Committee.**
- 567           **JR-3.03, Interim Committee Rules Applicable.**
- 568           **JR-3.04, Committee Membership.**
- 569           **JR-3.05, Interim Committees.**
- 570           **JR-3.06, Voting; Chair to Verbally Announce the Vote; Dissenting Members to be**
- 571 **Reported.**
- 572           **JR-5.01, Secretary and Chief Clerk to Keep Records of Action.**
- 573           **JR-5.02, Action on Bills.**
- 574           **JR-7.02, Disagreement; Conference Committee.**
- 575           **JR-7.03, Chairmen of Conference Committee.**
- 576           **JR-7.04, Conference Committee Report.**
- 577           **JR-7.05, Presentation of Conference Report.**
- 578           **JR-7.06, Either House May Recede.**
- 579           **JR-7.07, Failure of Conferees to Agree.**
- 580           **JR-7.08, Failure of Conferees to Timely Meet.**
- 581           **JR-10.01, Journal.**
- 582           **JR-11.01, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure; Reference.**
- 583           **JR-12.01, Mailing Lists.**
- 584           **JR-12.02, Authorized Use of Legislative Seal.**
- 585           **JR-14.01, No Adjournment for More Than Three Days Without Consent of Other**
- 586 **House.**
- 587           **JR-14.02, Adjournment Sine Die.**
- 588           **JR-17.01, Poll to Convene a Veto Override Session.**
- 589           **JR-17.02, Call of a Veto Override Session.**

590           **JR-17.03, Calendaring a Vetoed Bill.**  
591           **JR-17.04, Veto Override.**  
592           **JR-17.05, Only Vetoed Bills to be Considered.**  
593           **JR-17.06, Annual General Session Rules Applicable.**  
594           **JR-18.01, Introduction of Bills.**  
595           **JR-18.02, Motion to Reconsider During Special Session.**  
596           **JR-18.03, Annual General Session Rules Applicable.**  
597           Section 35. **Effective date.**  
598           This resolution takes effect upon approval by a constitutional majority vote of all  
599 members of the Senate and House of Representatives.