

1 **JOINT RESOLUTION - RULES REVISIONS**
2 **RENAMING AN APPROPRIATIONS**
3 **SUBCOMMITTEE**

4 2003 GENERAL SESSION

5 STATE OF UTAH

6 **Sponsor: Beverly Ann Evans**

7 **A joint resolution of the Legislature revising joint rules by changing the name of a joint**
8 **appropriations subcommittee. This resolution has an immediate effective date.**

9 This resolution affects legislative rules as follows:

10 AMENDS:

11 **JR-3.02**

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

13 Section 1. **JR-3.02** is amended to read:

14 **JR-3.02. Joint Appropriations Committee.**

15 (1) The Joint Appropriations Committee of the Legislature consists of all the members
16 of the Legislature.

17 (2) (a) The members of the Joint Appropriations Committee shall be divided into the
18 following subcommittees:

19 (i) Capital Facilities and Administrative Services;

20 (ii) Commerce and Revenue;

21 (iii) Economic Development and Human Resources;

22 (iv) Executive Offices and Criminal Justice;

23 (v) Health and Human Services;

24 (vi) Higher Education;

25 (vii) Natural Resources;

26 (viii) Public Education;

27 (ix) [~~Quasi-Governmental~~] Retirement and Independent Entities; and



28 (x) Transportation, Environmental Quality, and National Guard.

29 (b) The President of the Senate and Speaker of the House shall appoint their respective
30 members to each subcommittee.

31 (c) The [~~Quasi-Governmental~~] Retirement and Independent Entities Subcommittee
32 shall have the same members as the [~~Legislative Quasi-Governmental~~] Retirement and
33 Independent Entities Committee created in Section [~~63-95-201~~] 63E-1-201.

34 (3) (a) A majority of any committee or subcommittee constitutes a quorum for the
35 transaction of business.

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

38 (c) In all decisions of the subcommittees, a majority vote will prevail. A majority vote
39 is at least 50% of the members of one house and more than 50% in the other house in
40 attendance.

41 (4) (a) There shall be an Executive Appropriations Committee consisting of 18
42 members composed of:

43 (i) three members of the majority leadership of the Senate and four members of the
44 majority leadership of the House;

45 (ii) two members of the minority leadership of the Senate and three members of the
46 minority leadership of the House;

47 (iii) the chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the chair of the House
48 Appropriations Committee; and

49 (iv) (A) one member from the majority party of the Senate as appointed by the
50 President of the Senate or as chosen by the Senate majority caucus;

51 (B) two members from the minority party of the Senate as appointed by the Senate
52 minority leader or as chosen by the Senate minority caucus; and

53 (C) one member from the minority party of the House as appointed by the House
54 minority leader or as chosen by the House minority caucus.

55 (b) A member of the Executive Appropriations Committee, whose membership is
56 determined under Subsection (4)(a)(i) or (ii), may appoint a designee to permanently serve in
57 that individual's place with the approval of the Speaker or the President for any majority party
58 member or with the approval of the House or Senate minority party leader for any minority

59 party member.

60 (c) In all decisions of the Executive Appropriations Committee, a majority vote
61 prevails. When a division is requested, that vote must include at least 50% of the members of
62 one house and more than 50% of the members of the other house in attendance.

63 (5) (a) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall meet no later than the third
64 Wednesday in December to:

65 (i) direct staff as to what revenue estimate to use in preparing budget
66 recommendations;

67 (ii) decide whether or not to set aside special allocations for the end of the session;

68 (iii) set aside an appropriate amount for fiscal note bills;

69 (iv) approve the appropriate amount for each subcommittee to use in preparing its
70 budget; and

71 (v) set a budget figure.

72 (b) The chairs of each appropriation subcommittee are invited to attend this meeting.

73 (6) The Office of Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall prepare revised revenue estimates in
74 February.

75 (7) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall include in its consideration tax
76 collections and revenue policy, tax administration, and analysis of revenue sources.

77 (8) (a) With the approval of the Executive Appropriations Committee, time schedules
78 for subcommittee meetings will be determined so that no conflict exists with the annual general
79 sessions or standing committee meetings of the Legislature.

80 (b) Appropriations subcommittees may not meet while the Senate or House is in
81 session without special leave from the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate.

82 (9) (a) (i) It is the duty of the appropriations chair of each house to receive the reports
83 of the subcommittees and to forward the reports to the Executive Appropriations Committee.

84 (ii) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall combine the reports into a total
85 appropriations bill.

86 (b) The Executive Appropriations Committee shall establish a liaison between their
87 committee and each of the appropriations subcommittees.

88 (10) All proposed items of expenditure to be included in the final appropriations bill,
89 including appropriations for the Legislature and its committees and staff, shall be submitted to

90 one of the subcommittees named in this rule for consideration and recommendation.

91 (11) (a) After receiving and reviewing subcommittee reports, the Executive
92 Appropriations Committee may refer the report back to an appropriations subcommittee with
93 any guidelines the Executive Appropriations Committee considers necessary to assist the
94 subcommittee in producing a balanced budget.

95 (b) The subcommittee shall meet to review the new guidelines and report the
96 adjustments to the chairs of the Executive Appropriations Committee as soon as possible.

97 (12) (a) After receiving the reports, the appropriations chairs will report them to the
98 Executive Appropriations Committee.

99 (b) That committee shall:

100 (i) make any further adjustments necessary to balance the budget; and

101 (ii) complete all decisions necessary to draft the final appropriations bill no later than
102 the 38th day of the annual general session.

103 (13) (a) During the interim, the Executive Appropriations Committee shall meet at
104 least every other month on the day before interim meetings on alternating months between
105 Legislative Management Committee meetings.

106 (b) The first meeting of the Executive Appropriations Committee shall be in the month
107 following the first meeting of the Legislative Management Committee.

108 (c) The appropriations subcommittee chairs may attend these meetings and provide
109 input regarding their budget.

110 (d) (i) Each year, the Executive Appropriations Committee shall:

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

113 (B) direct an appropriation subcommittee to conduct the in-depth budget review of the
114 agency and report back to the Executive Appropriations Committee.

115 (ii) In conducting the in-depth budget review, the appropriations subcommittee shall:

116 (A) study, in detail, the budget of the agency, institution, or program;

117 (B) prepare a report making recommendations for reduction or additions to the budget
118 of that agency, institution, or program; and

119 (C) present its findings and recommendations to the Executive Appropriations
120 Committee.

121 Section 2. **Effective date.**
122 This resolution takes effect upon approval by a constitutional majority vote of all
123 members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Legislative Review Note
as of 10-4-02 11:33 AM

A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

Interim Committee Note
as of 12-11-02 10:08 AM

The Quasi-Governmental Entities Interim Committee recommended this bill.

Fiscal Note
Bill Number SJR001

**Joint Resolution - Rules Revisions Renaming an Appropriations
Subcommittee**

16-Jan-03
5:44 PM

State Impact

Any fiscal impact required to implement provisions of this resolution can be handled within existing budgets.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst