

**HOUSE RULES RESOLUTION -
NOTIFICATION OF ONGOING NEGOTIATION**

2006 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Neil A. Hansen

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This resolution modifies House Rules governing the Speaker's responsibilities.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- requires the Speaker to notify both parties about negotiations leading to settlement agreements that may be submitted to the Legislature; and
- requires the Speaker to appoint at least one representative from each political party to represent the House in the negotiations.

Special Clauses:

This resolution provides an immediate effective date.

Legislative Rules Affected:

AMENDS:

HR-20.05

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

Section 1. **HR-20.05** is amended to read:

HR-20.05. Duties of the Speaker.

(1) The general duties of the Speaker are to:

(+) (a) assign responsibilities to and supervise the officers and employees of the House;



[~~(2)~~] (b) assign places and determine access for news media representatives;

[~~(3)~~] (c) call the House to order at the time scheduled for convening, and proceed with the daily order of business;

[~~(4)~~] (d) announce the business before the House in the order it is to be acted upon;

[~~(5)~~] (e) receive and submit in the proper manner all motions and proposals presented by Representatives;

[~~(6)~~] (f) put to a vote all questions which arise in the course of proceedings, and announce the results of the vote;

[~~(7)~~] (g) enforce the rules of order during debates;

[~~(8)~~] (h) enforce observance of order and decorum;

[~~(9)~~] (i) inform the House on any point of order or practice;

[~~(10)~~] (j) receive and announce to the House any official messages and communications;

[~~(11)~~] (k) sign all acts, orders, and proceedings of the House;

[~~(12)~~] (l) appoint the members of committees;

[~~(13)~~] (m) represent the House, declaring its will and obeying its commands; and

[~~(14)~~] (n) sign or authorize a designee to sign all requisitions on the Division of Finance to pay House expenses. The Speaker shall give final approval of all expenditure requests as authorized by the majority and minority leaders of the House. These include per diem compensation and travel expenses and in-state and out-of-state travel on legislative business.

(2) If the Legislature is involved in negotiating a settlement agreement that may be submitted to the Legislature according to the provisions of Title 63, Chapter 38b, State Settlement Agreements, the Speaker shall:

(a) notify the House majority leader and House minority leader about the negotiations; and

(b) appoint at least one representative from each political party to represent the House in the negotiations.

Section 2. Effective date.

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

Legislative Review Note

as of 1-6-06 8:14 AM

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

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State Impact

Provisions of this resolution can be handled within existing budgets.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst