





30 **Legislative Rules Affected:**

31 AMENDS:

- 32 **HR1-1-102**
- 33 **HR1-4-102**
- 34 **HR2-2-105**
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- 48 **HR4-7-103**
- 49 **HR5-4-101**

50 ENACTS:

- 51 **HR4-6-105.5**



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

54 Section 1. **HR1-1-102** is amended to read:

55 **HR1-1-102. Constitutional motion.**

56 At the beginning of each session of the House, before the reading of any piece of

57 legislation, the House Rules Committee chair shall make the following motion:

58 "Mr. (Madam) Speaker, as allowed by the Utah Constitution [~~and the Joint Rules of the~~  
59 ~~Legislature~~], I move that the House [~~continue its practice of reading~~] read only the short title of  
60 bills and resolutions as they are introduced or considered [~~on a House calendar and not read the~~  
61 ~~long title of the bills and resolutions~~] unless [~~a majority~~] two-thirds of the House directs the  
62 reading of the long title, short title, or both [~~of any House or Senate bill or resolution~~]."

63 Section 2. **HR1-4-102** is amended to read:

64 **HR1-4-102. Duties of the chief clerk.**

65 The general duties of the chief clerk are to:

66 (1) act as chief administrative officer of the House, subject to direction by the speaker  
67 of the House;

68 (2) certify and transmit legislation to the Senate and inform the Senate of all House  
69 action;

70 (3) assist in the preparation of the House Journal and certify it as an accurate reflection  
71 of House action;

72 (4) make the following technical corrections to legislation either before or following  
73 final passage:

74 (a) correct the spelling of words;

75 (b) correct the erroneous division and hyphenation of words;

76 (c) correct mistakes in numbering sections and their references;

77 (d) capitalize words or change capitalized words to lower case;

78 (e) change numbers from words to figures or from figures to words; and

79 (f) underscore or remove underscoring in legislation without a motion to amend;

80 (5) modify the long title of a piece of legislation to ensure that the long title accurately  
81 reflects any changes to the legislation made by amendment or substitute;

82 (6) supervise all House of Representatives' non-partisan personnel during a session and  
83 assign them duties and responsibilities;

84 (7) keep a record of the attendance of each in-session employee and ensure that each  
85 in-session employee is paid only for hours worked;

86 (8) be the custodian of all official documents;

87 (9) receive all numbered legislation from the Office of Legislative Research and  
88 General Counsel;

89 (10) record the number, title, sponsor, each action, and final disposition of each piece  
90 of legislation on the legislation;

91 (11) prepare and distribute the daily order of business each day;

92 (12) advise the speaker on parliamentary procedure, constitutional requirements, and  
93 Joint and House Rules;

94 (13) assist with amendments to legislation;

95 (14) record votes and, if requested, present the results to the speaker;

96 (15) transmit all enrolled House bills and House concurrent resolutions to the  
97 governor;

98 (16) approve material for placement on the representatives' desks if a representative has  
99 authorized that distribution;

100 (17) maintain all calendars for the House floor; and

101 (18) record the votes of any member who is present in the House chamber who  
102 requests assistance of the chief clerk.

103 Section 3. **HR2-2-105** is amended to read:

104 **HR2-2-105. Movement within the House chamber.**

105 [~~(1) When the speaker or presiding officer is presenting a question, a representative~~  
106 ~~may not leave the House chamber.~~]

107 [(2)] When a representative is speaking, no person may walk between the  
108 representative and the speaker or presiding officer.

109 Section 4. **HR2-4-101** is amended to read:

110 **HR2-4-101. Definitions.**

111 As used in this chapter:

112 (1) "Former legislator" means a person who is not a current member of the Legislature,  
113 but who served in the Utah House or Utah Senate at one time.

114 (2) "Governor's staff" means:

115 (a) a person employed directly by the Office of the Governor or the Office of the  
116 Lieutenant Governor; and

117 (b) the director of the Office of Planning and Budget.

118 (3) (a) "Guest" means an individual who ~~is not~~ is afforded access to the House space  
119 under a provision of this chapter ~~and~~, who is not an individual described in Subsection (3)(b)  
120 or a special guest as described under [HR2-4-101.2\(5\)](#).

121 (b) ~~is not a~~ "Guest" does not mean a legislator, a ~~legislative employee~~ member of  
122 House or Senate staff, a member of professional legislative staff, a House intern, a lobbyist, the  
123 governor, the lieutenant governor, the state attorney general, the state treasurer, or the state  
124 auditor.

125 (4) "House conference rooms" means one of the conference rooms adjacent to the  
126 House lounge, speaker's office, or the majority caucus room.

127 (5) "House halls" means the passageways that allow access to:

128 (a) the House chamber;

129 (b) the House lounge;

130 (c) the House offices; or

131 (d) any other nonpublic areas adjoining the House chamber.

132 (6) "House intern" means an individual who is:

133 (a) an official participant in the student intern program sponsored by the Utah  
134 Legislature and administered by the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel; and

135 (b) is assigned to a representative.

136 (7) "House offices" means:

137 (a) Representatives' offices adjacent to the House chamber;

138 (b) Representatives' offices on the third and fourth floors of the capitol building;

139 (c) Representatives' offices in the House building; and

140 (d) kitchens, restrooms, elevators, and any auxiliary rooms in the nonpublic areas

141 connected with the offices listed above.

142 (8) "House or Senate staff" means an individual who is employed directly by the House  
143 or Senate.

144 ~~[(8)]~~ (9) (a) "House space" means the House chamber, House lounge, House offices,  
145 House halls, and House conference rooms.

146 (b) "House space" does not mean the common public space outside the House  
147 chamber.

148 ~~[(9)]~~ (10) "Immediate family" means any parent, spouse, child, grandparent,  
149 grandchild, great-grandparent, great-grandchild, sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, or nephew of a  
150 member of the House, provided that the individual is not a lobbyist.

151 ~~[(10) "Legislative employee" means an individual who is employed directly by the~~  
152 ~~House or Senate.]~~

153 (11) "Lobbying" means communicating with a legislator for the purpose of influencing  
154 the passage, defeat, amendment, or postponement of legislative action.

155 ~~[(11)(a)]~~ (12) "Lobbyist" means ~~[either: (i)]~~ an individual who is required to register as  
156 a lobbyist by Utah Code Section [36-11-103](#) ~~[-or].~~

157 ~~[(ii) an individual who is seeking to influence any legislator to vote for or vote against~~  
158 ~~any legislation.]~~

159 ~~[(b) "Lobbyist" does not mean a legislator, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the~~  
160 ~~state attorney general, the state treasurer, or the state auditor.]~~

161 ~~[(12)]~~ (13) "Professional legislative staff" means an individual employed by one of the  
162 Legislature's profession-based staff offices, namely the Office of Legislative Research and  
163 General Counsel, the Office of the Legislative ~~[the]~~ Fiscal Analyst, the Office of the  
164 Legislative Auditor General, or the Office of Legislative Printing.

165 Section 5. **HR2-4-101.2** is amended to read:

166 **HR2-4-101.2. Admittance to House floor -- Prohibition against lobbying -- Rules**  
167 **for lobbyists on House floor.**

168 (1) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session, the  
169 following individuals are permitted on the House floor:

170 (a) a legislator;

171 [~~(b) a legislative employee;~~]

172 (b) a member of House or Senate staff;

173 (c) a member of professional legislative staff;

174 (d) a House intern;

175 (e) a former legislator who is not a lobbyist; and

176 (f) the governor, lieutenant governor, state attorney general, state treasurer, and state  
177 auditor.

178 (2) (a) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session, a  
179 representative may invite one of the following individuals as a guest to accompany the  
180 representative on the House floor:

181 (i) a member of the representative's immediate family;

182 (ii) an administrative assistant other than a House intern; or

183 (iii) a constituent who resides in the member's district.

184 (b) A representative may have no more than one guest on the House floor at any one  
185 time.

186 (c) A representative who invites a guest onto the House floor shall:

187 (i) if the guest is not seated next to the representative as permitted under [HR2-4-102](#),  
188 ensure that the guest sits on a bench on the House floor, provided that seating is available; and

189 (ii) ensure that the guest stays only for a short visit not to exceed one hour.

190 (3) A lobbyist, a guest, or an individual described in Subsection (1)(e), Subsection  
191 (1)(f), or Subsection (2) is prohibited from lobbying on the House floor.

192           ~~[(3)]~~ (4) (a) Except as provided in this Subsection ~~[(3)]~~ (4), a lobbyist is not permitted  
193 on the ~~[floor of the]~~ House floor.

194           (b) A representative sponsoring a piece of legislation being debated by the House may  
195 invite one lobbyist with expertise on the legislation being considered to be present on the  
196 House floor during the presentation and debate on the legislation, if:

197           (i) the representative informs the sergeant-at-arms that the lobbyist is present on the  
198 House floor;

199           (ii) the representative ensures that the lobbyist is seated on a bench on the House floor  
200 during the presentation and debate on the legislation;

201           (iii) the representative ensures that the lobbyist does not ~~[lobby]~~ engage in lobbying on  
202 the House floor; and

203           (iv) the lobbyist leaves the House floor when the House moves to another item of  
204 business.

205           (c) If the representative sponsoring the legislation needs the assistance of the lobbyist  
206 during the course of debate on the legislation, the representative may request permission of the  
207 speaker to have the lobbyist approach the representative sponsoring the legislation to provide  
208 the needed information to the representative.

209           ~~[(4)]~~ (5) The speaker or the speaker's designee may authorize special guests to be  
210 present in the House chamber or on the House floor.

211           ~~[(5)]~~ (6) A representative who is visited by two or more guests shall arrange with the  
212 sergeant-at-arms for the guests to be seated in the House gallery.

213           Section 6. **HR2-4-101.3** is amended to read:

214           **HR2-4-101.3. Admittance to the House lounge.**

215           (1) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session only the  
216 following individuals are permitted in the House lounge:

217           (a) a legislator;

218           ~~[(b) a legislative employee;]~~

- 219           (b) a member of House or Senate staff;
  - 220           (c) a member of professional legislative staff;
  - 221           (d) a member of the representative's immediate family;
  - 222           (e) a House intern;
  - 223           (f) a former legislator who is not a lobbyist;
  - 224           (g) the governor, the lieutenant governor, the state attorney general, the state treasurer,
  - 225 and the state auditor;
  - 226           (h) the governor's staff, or a staff member for the attorney general, the state treasurer,
  - 227 or the state auditor; and
  - 228           (i) a lobbyist or guest as provided in Subsection (2).
- 229           (2) (a) A representative may invite a small number of lobbyists or guests to meet with
- 230 the representative in the House lounge for the purpose of educating the lobbyists or guests
- 231 about the legislative process or to discuss specific legislative issues.
- 232           (b) The representative shall ensure that the lobbyists and guests leave the House space
- 233 when the meeting is over.
- 234           Section 7. **HR2-4-101.4** is amended to read:
- 235           **HR2-4-101.4. Admittance to the House offices, conference rooms, and halls.**
- 236           (1) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session only the
- 237 following individuals are permitted in the House offices:
- 238           (a) a legislator;
  - 239           ~~[(b) a legislative employee;]~~
  - 240           (b) a member of House or Senate staff;
  - 241           (c) a member of professional legislative staff;
  - 242           (d) a House intern;
  - 243           (e) a member of the representative's immediate family;
  - 244           (f) a former legislator who is not a lobbyist; and
  - 245           (g) a lobbyist or guest, as provided in Subsection (3).

- 246 (2) An administrative assistant who is not a House intern is permitted in:
- 247 (a) the office of the representative who is employing the administrative assistant;
- 248 (b) the common areas of the House offices;
- 249 (c) a conference room in the House space, when meeting to discuss legislative business
- 250 with a representative; and
- 251 (d) the office of another representative with the consent of that representative.
- 252 (3) (a) A representative may invite a small number of lobbyists or guests to meet with
- 253 the representative in the representative's House office or a House conference room to discuss
- 254 specific legislative issues.
- 255 (b) The representative shall ensure that the lobbyists and guests leave the House space
- 256 when the meeting is over.
- 257 (4) (a) While the House is convened as a body on the House floor, and except as
- 258 provided in Subsection (4)(b), only the following individuals are allowed in the House halls:
- 259 (i) a legislator;
- 260 ~~[(ii) a legislative employee;]~~
- 261 (ii) a member of House or Senate staff;
- 262 (iii) a member of professional legislative staff;
- 263 (iv) a House intern;
- 264 (v) an administrative assistant who is not a House intern;
- 265 (vi) a former legislator who is not a lobbyist; and
- 266 (vii) the governor, lieutenant governor, state attorney general, state treasurer, and state
- 267 auditor.
- 268 (b) Immediate family of a representative, a lobbyist, a guest, an administrative assistant
- 269 who is not a House intern, or any other authorized individual who is in transit to the House
- 270 chamber, House lounge, or House offices may pass through the House halls when traveling to
- 271 and from an authorized destination.
- 272 (5) An administrative assistant to a representative who is a not a House intern is not

273 permitted to use or be issued an access badge that grants access to the House floor, House  
274 lounge, House offices, House conference rooms, or House hallways.

275 Section 8. **HR2-4-102** is amended to read:

276 **HR2-4-102. Representatives' chairs and seating on the House floor.**

277 (1) When the House is convened in session, no one other than the speaker or a  
278 representative may occupy the chair or use the desk of the speaker or any representative.

279 (2) A representative may invite one individual to sit next to the representative on the  
280 House floor, if the representative complies with the requirements of [HR2-4-101.2](#) and the  
281 invited individual is:

282 (a) another legislator;

283 [~~(b) a legislative employee;~~]

284 (b) a member of House or Senate staff;

285 (c) a member of professional legislative staff;

286 (d) a House intern;

287 (e) a member of the representative's immediate family;

288 (f) a constituent who resides in the representative's district; or

289 (g) a special guest who is authorized to access the House floor under

290 [HR2-4-101.2](#)~~(4)~~(5).

291 Section 9. **HR3-1-101** is amended to read:

292 **HR3-1-101. House Rules Committee -- Appointment -- General responsibilities.**

293 (1) The speaker shall appoint members of the House of Representatives to serve on the  
294 House Rules Committee.

295 (2) The House Rules Committee shall perform the following functions as further  
296 elaborated in this part:

297 (a) receive introduced legislation from the House and recommend that the legislation  
298 be assigned to a House standing committee or to the House third reading calendar;

299 (b) receive legislation from the House that has been sent back to the House Rules

300 Committee from the third reading calendar, and recommend to the House which legislation  
301 should be assigned to the third reading calendar and the order in which it should be heard; and

302 (c) function as a standing committee or interim committee when reviewing Joint Rules,  
303 Interim Rules, ~~and~~ House Rules, or other legislation.

304 Section 10. **HR3-1-102** is amended to read:

305 **HR3-1-102. House Rules Committee -- Assignment duties.**

306 (1) The presiding officer shall submit all legislation introduced in the House of  
307 Representatives to the House Rules Committee.

308 (2) For all legislation not specified in HR3-1-103 that is referred to the House Rules  
309 Committee, the committee shall:

310 (a) examine the legislation for proper form, including fiscal note and interim  
311 committee note, if any; and

312 (b) either:

313 (i) refer legislation to the House with a recommendation:

314 (A) that the legislation be referred to a standing committee for consideration; or

315 (B) that the legislation be read the second time and placed on the third reading  
316 calendar~~;~~ if the legislation has received a favorable recommendation from:

317 (I) a House standing committee, except for those bills exempted from standing  
318 committee review requirements under HR3-2-401; or

319 (II) the House Rules Committee meeting as a standing committee as permitted under  
320 HR3-1-101; or

321 (ii) hold the legislation.

322 (c) If the chair of the House Rules Committee receives a summary report from the  
323 Occupational and Professional Licensure Review Committee related to newly regulating an  
324 occupation or profession within the two calendar years immediately preceding the session in  
325 which a piece of legislation is introduced related to the regulation by the Division of  
326 Occupational and Professional Licensing of that occupation or profession:

327 (i) the chair of the House Rules Committee shall ensure that the House Rules  
328 Committee is informed of the summary report before the House Rules Committee takes action  
329 on the legislation; and

330 (ii) if the House Rules Committee refers the legislation to the House as provided for in  
331 Subsection (2)(b)(i):

332 (A) the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall make the summary  
333 report reasonably available to the public and to legislators; and

334 (B) if the legislation is referred to a standing committee, the House Rules Committee  
335 shall forward the summary report to the standing committee.

336 (3) In carrying out its functions and responsibilities under this rule, the House Rules  
337 Committee may not:

338 (a) table legislation without the written consent of the sponsor;

339 (b) report out any legislation that has been tabled by a standing committee;

340 (c) amend legislation without the written consent of the sponsor; or

341 (d) substitute legislation without the written consent of the sponsor.

342 (4) The House Rules Committee may recommend a time certain for floor consideration  
343 of any legislation when it is reported out of the House Rules Committee, or at any other time.

344 (5) When the committee is carrying out its functions and responsibilities under this  
345 rule, the committee shall:

346 (a) during a legislative session, give notice of its meetings by either:

347 (i) providing oral notice from the House floor of the time and place of its next meeting;

348 or

349 (ii) when oral notice is impractical, post written notice of its next meeting;

350 (b) when the Legislature is not in session, post a notice of meeting at least 24 hours  
351 before the meeting convenes;

352 (c) have as its agenda all legislation in its possession for assignment to committee or to  
353 the House calendars; and

354 (d) prepare minutes that include a record, by individual representative, of votes taken.

355 (6) Anyone may attend a meeting of the rules committee, but comments and discussion  
356 are limited to members of the committee and the committee's staff.

357 Section 11. **HR3-1-103** is amended to read:

358 **HR3-1-103. House Rules Committee -- Standing and interim committee duties.**

359 (1) The House Rules Committee has all the powers, functions, and duties of a standing  
360 committee or interim committee when it [~~:(a) prepares the House Rules, Interim Rules, and~~  
361 ~~Joint Rules and presents them to the House before adjournment on the second day of each~~  
362 ~~annual general session; or (b) reviews all~~] reviews proposed House Rules, Interim Rules, [~~or~~]  
363 Joint Rules resolutions, or other legislation.

364 (2) Any rules resolutions or legislation reviewed and approved by the House Rules  
365 Committee may be reported directly to the House for its approval, amendment, or disapproval.

366 (3) When meeting as a standing committee or interim committee under this rule,  
367 persons other than committee members may address the committee at the discretion of the  
368 chair.

369 (4) When meeting as a standing committee or interim committee under this rule, the  
370 House Rules Committee shall comply with the provisions of Utah Code Title 52, Chapter 4,  
371 Open and Public Meetings Act.

372 Section 12. **HR3-2-406** is amended to read:

373 **HR3-2-406. Amending legislation -- Verbal amendments -- Amendments must be**  
374 **germane.**

375 (1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2), and if recognized by the chair during the  
376 committee action phase, a committee member may make a motion to amend the legislation that  
377 is under consideration.

378 (b) (i) A committee member may propose a verbal amendment to the legislation under  
379 consideration if the amendment contains [~~25~~] 15 or fewer words.

380 (ii) Before proposing a motion to amend, a committee member shall ensure that a

381 proposed amendment that contains more than ~~[25]~~ 15 words is printed and distributed to  
382 committee staff and to all committee members present.

383 (iii) Each word inserted shall count as one of the 15 words permitted under a verbal  
384 amendment, except that:

385 (A) numbering shall not be counted as a word;

386 (B) instructions to delete a word or words shall not count as a word; and

387 (C) a word or an exact phrase that is inserted in multiple locations shall only be  
388 counted for the first insertion.

389 (2) (a) A committee member may only make a motion to amend that is germane to the  
390 subject of the legislation under consideration.

391 (b) A committee member who believes that an amendment is not germane to the  
392 subject of the legislation may make a point of order or appeal as described in [HR3-2-506](#).

393 Section 13. **HR4-3-301** is amended to read:

394 **HR4-3-301. Amendments in order on third reading -- 15 word rule -- Passage of**  
395 **amendments by a majority vote.**

396 (1) A motion to amend a piece of legislation is in order on third reading.

397 (2) (a) A representative may verbally propose an amendment to legislation if the  
398 amendment contains 15 words or less.

399 (b) A representative shall ensure that a proposed amendment containing more than 15  
400 words is printed on pink paper and available to the chief clerk and each representative present  
401 before the motion to amend is made.

402 (c) Each word inserted shall count as one of the 15 words permitted under a verbal  
403 amendment, except that:

404 (i) numbering shall not be counted as a word;

405 (ii) instructions to delete a word or words shall not count as a word; and

406 (iii) a word or an exact phrase that is inserted in multiple locations shall only be  
407 counted for the first insertion.

408 (3) A constitutional amendment, resolution, or bill requiring a constitutional two-thirds  
409 vote for final passage, may be amended by a majority vote.

410 (4) When legislation is amended by the House, the chief clerk shall:

411 (a) for each page of the legislation modified by a House amendment, cause a new page  
412 to be printed that clearly identifies each House amendment to that page; and

413 (b) print that new page on lilac-colored paper.

414 Section 14. **HR4-4-202** is amended to read:

415 **HR4-4-202. Disposition of legislation voted on third reading.**

416 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), the chief clerk or the chief clerk's designee  
417 shall:

418 (a) for a piece of House legislation passed by the House on third reading but not yet  
419 acted upon by the Senate, transmit the House legislation to the Senate for its further action;

420 (b) for a piece of House legislation that fails to pass the House on third reading, file the  
421 legislation;

422 (c) for a piece of House legislation that has passed both houses, follow the procedures  
423 and requirements of [JR4-6-101\(1\)\(b\)](#);

424 (d) for a piece of Senate legislation passed by the House on third reading and not  
425 amended or substituted in the House, transmit the Senate legislation to the presiding officer of  
426 the House for the presiding officer's signature and return the legislation to the Senate for the  
427 signature of the president of the Senate;

428 (e) for a piece of Senate legislation passed by the House on third reading that was  
429 amended or substituted in the House, transmit the legislation to the Senate with the  
430 amendments or substitute for further action by the Senate; and

431 (f) for a piece of Senate legislation that fails to pass the House on third reading,  
432 transmit the legislation to the Senate with notice of the House's action.

433 (2) (a) The chief clerk shall ensure that the House retains possession of a piece of  
434 legislation for no more than one legislative day when:

435 (i) a representative gives notice of intention to move for reconsideration to the chief  
436 clerk;

437 (ii) a representative requests that the chief clerk hold the legislation; or

438 (iii) the House passes a motion to retain possession of the legislation.

439 (b) When a representative moves for reconsideration or requests a hold under  
440 Subsection (2)(a)(i) or (2)(a)(ii), the chief clerk shall give notice of the action to the speaker  
441 and to the sponsor of the legislation.

442 (c) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (2)(a), a piece of legislation may  
443 be released earlier than 24 hours if the [~~House is given prior public notice of the release~~] hold  
444 is released.

445 Section 15. **HR2-4-103** is amended to read:

446 **HR2-4-103. Prohibitions on lobbying and fundraising.**

447 (1) As used in this section[~~-(a)~~], "fundraising" means:

448 [(i)] (a) the solicitation of a monetary contribution for any purpose; or

449 [(ii)] (b) the announcement or promotion of an event that has as one of its purposes the  
450 collection of funds by means of a monetary contribution.

451 [~~(b) "Lobbying" is as defined in Utah Code Section 36-11-102.~~]

452 (2) Lobbying is [~~not permitted in the House chamber~~] prohibited on the House floor as  
453 provided under HR2-4-101.2.

454 (3) (a) Distribution of literature or any other information that announces or promotes  
455 fundraising is [~~not permitted~~] prohibited on the House floor.

456 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(a), a verbal announcement that involves or relates  
457 to fundraising is permitted on the House floor if the announcement is:

458 (i) publicly made to all members on the House floor; and

459 (ii) an official announcement from the third house or authorized by the speaker of the  
460 House.

461 Section 16. **HR4-4-301** is amended to read:

462 **HR4-4-301. Consent calendar.**

463 (1) If a standing committee report recommends that a piece of legislation be placed on  
464 the consent calendar and the standing committee report is adopted by the House, the chief clerk  
465 or the chief clerk's designee shall place the legislation on the consent calendar.

466 ~~[(2) (a) Whenever the consent calendar contains legislation, the presiding officer shall  
467 inform the House each day that:]~~

468 ~~[(i) there are items on the consent calendar; and]~~

469 ~~[(ii) if any representative objects to a piece of legislation on the consent calendar, that  
470 representative should inform the chief clerk.]~~

471 ~~[(b)]~~ (2) If the chief clerk receives written objections to a piece of legislation from six  
472 or more representatives, the chief clerk shall:

473 ~~[(i)]~~ (a) remove the legislation from the consent calendar;

474 ~~[(ii)]~~ (b) inform the sponsor that the legislation has been removed from the consent  
475 calendar; and

476 ~~[(iii)]~~ (c) place the legislation at the bottom of the third reading calendar.

477 (3) ~~[The presiding officer shall announce that the legislation has been]~~ When  
478 legislation is removed from the consent calendar, the presiding officer shall inform the House  
479 of its removal.

480 (4) (a) If, after two calendar days, no more than five members have registered written  
481 objections to the legislation with the chief clerk:

482 (i) the legislation shall be read the third time;

483 (ii) the presiding officer shall grant the sponsor of the legislation two minutes to  
484 introduce and explain the legislation; and

485 (iii) the presiding officer shall pose the question and take the final vote on the  
486 legislation.

487 (b) The presiding officer may not allow debate on legislation on the consent calendar.

488 (5) (a) If the representative sponsoring the legislation on the consent calendar is absent

489 from the floor when the legislation is ready to be read for the third time and considered for  
490 passage, a representative may make a motion to circle the legislation.

491 (b) If the motion to circle is successful and the representative sponsoring the legislation  
492 has not moved to uncircle the legislation before floor time is recessed or adjourned, the bill  
493 shall be placed on the bottom of the third reading calendar.

494 Section 17. **HR4-6-105.5** is enacted to read:

495 **HR4-6-105.5. Reference to committee action or debate prohibited.**

496 During debate on the House floor, a representative may not allude to or discuss what  
497 was done or said in committee in relation to the legislation under debate, except that a  
498 representative may allude to or discuss information contained on a House or Senate committee  
499 report.

500 Section 18. **HR4-7-103** is amended to read:

501 **HR4-7-103. Voting -- Representatives required to vote -- Representatives must be**  
502 **present to vote.**

503 (1) (a) A representative present within the House chamber when a vote is being taken  
504 shall vote.

505 (b) (i) The chief clerk may record the vote of any representative who is present in the  
506 House Chamber who requests assistance of the chief clerk.

507 (ii) The representative shall ensure that the electronic vote is recorded accurately.

508 (c) Each representative shall vote within the time limit fixed by the presiding officer.

509 (d) Immediately before an electronic vote or a roll call vote, a representative may, upon  
510 recognition by the presiding officer, make a brief statement explaining any conflict of interest.

511 (2) (a) A representative may not vote on a piece of legislation or motion unless the  
512 representative is present in the House chamber.

513 (b) No representative, or any other person, may vote on behalf of another  
514 representative. A representative is the only person authorized to use that representative's  
515 assigned voting device.

516           ~~[(b)]~~ (3) If the vote is by electronic vote or roll call vote, a representative entering the  
517 chamber after the question is posed, and before the presiding officer closes the vote or  
518 announces the result, may have the question stated and vote.

519           Section 19. **HR5-4-101** is amended to read:

520           **HR5-4-101. Approved activities.**

521           (1) This rule governs the ~~[approval of a meeting or]~~ designation of an approved activity  
522 as authorized by Utah Code Title 36, Chapter 11, Lobbyist Disclosure and Regulation Act[;  
523 which provides that travel to, lodging at, food or beverage served at, sponsorship of an official  
524 event of, official entertainment at, and admission to an approved meeting or activity are not  
525 expenditures regulated by the act].

526           (2) ~~[As provided by]~~ Consistent with Utah Code Section 36-11-102, an "approved  
527 ~~[meeting or]~~ activity" means a ~~[meeting or an activity]~~ tour or meeting:

528           ~~[(a) to which a representative is invited;]~~

529           ~~[(b) the expenses for the representative's attendance at which are paid by a lobbyist,~~  
530 ~~principal, or state or federal government officer; and]~~

531           ~~[(c) the legislator's attendance at which]~~

532           (a) to which a representative is invited; and

533           (b) at which the representative's attendance is approved by the speaker of the House.

534           ~~[(3) The speaker of the House may only approve a meeting or an activity if:]~~

535           ~~[(a) the primary purpose of the meeting or activity is to provide information on issues~~  
536 ~~that the House may consider; and]~~

537           ~~[(b) any sporting, recreational, or artistic event provided as an official event or~~  
538 ~~entertainment of the meeting or activity is not the primary purpose of the meeting or activity.]~~

539           ~~[(4) (a) A representative shall submit a written request for approval of a meeting or~~  
540 ~~activity to the speaker of the House.]~~

541           ~~[(b) A written request shall contain:]~~

542           ~~[(i) the meeting's or activity's date and location;]~~

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543           ~~[(ii) a description of the meeting's or activity's primary purpose;]~~

544           ~~[(iii) a list of any official event or entertainment provided as part of the meeting or~~  
545 ~~activity, and]~~

546           ~~[(iv) the name of a lobbyist, principal, or state or federal government officer paying for~~  
547 ~~any item described in Subsection (1) and the estimated cost of the item.]~~

548           ~~[(5) Within two business days of approving a meeting or activity, the written request~~  
549 ~~and approval shall be posted on the House's website.]~~