

1 **JOINT RULES RESOLUTION - PUBLIC COMMENT**

2 **AMENDMENTS**

3 2023 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox**

6 Senate Sponsor: _____

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8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This resolution modifies requirements for the public comment phase of a legislative
11 committee meeting.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This resolution:

14 ▶ prohibits the chair of a legislative committee from taking comment from a member
15 of the public unless:

16 • the individual provides the individual's name and entity that the individual
17 represents, if any; and

18 • if the individual is participating via video conference, the individual's video is
19 enabled; and

20 ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

21 **Special Clauses:**

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23 **Legislative Rules Affected:**

24 AMENDS:

25 **JR3-2-606**

26 **JR7-1-606**



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

Section 1. **JR3-2-606** is amended to read:

**JR3-2-606. Chair to recognize committee members -- Remarks to be germane --
Committee members may make motions when recognized -- Addressing the committee.**

(1) The chair shall recognize a committee member who desires to speak to a subject that is under consideration by an appropriations committee.

(2) Upon recognition by the chair, a committee member:

(a) shall ensure that the member's remarks are germane to the subject under consideration; and

(b) may make a motion that is authorized by this chapter.

(3) (a) Presenters, witnesses, visitors, staff, and committee members may not speak to an appropriations committee unless recognized by the chair.

(b) The chair may not take comment from a member of the public unless:

(i) the individual provides the individual's legal name and the entity that the individual represents, if any; and

(ii) if the individual is participating via video conference, the individual's video is enabled.

Section 2. **JR7-1-606** is amended to read:

JR7-1-606. Public comment phase.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this rule, during the public comment phase:

(a) the chair shall, subject to Subsection (1)(c), take comment from one or more members of the public; [~~and~~]

(b) a member of the authorized legislative committee may not make a motion to amend the draft legislation or dispose of the draft legislation[~~;~~]; and

(c) the chair may not take comment from a member of the public unless:

(i) the individual provides the individual's legal name and the entity that the individual represents, if any; and

(ii) if the individual is participating via video conference, the individual's video is enabled.

(2) The chair, or the authorized legislative committee by majority vote, may preclude

58 or terminate the public comment phase.