

**HOUSE RULES RESOLUTION - PUBLIC COMMENT**

**AMENDMENTS**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This resolution modifies requirements for the public comment phase of a standing committee meeting.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ prohibits a chair from taking public comment from an individual witness unless:
  - the individual provides the individual's name and entity that the individual represents, if any; and
  - if the individual is participating via video conference, the individual's video is enabled; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Legislative Rules Affected:**

AMENDS:

**HR3-2-308**

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

Section 1. **HR3-2-308** is amended to read:

**HR3-2-308. Public comment.**



(1) During the public comment phase~~[, a committee member may not]~~ of a committee meeting:

(a) except for a motion to amend legislation, substitute legislation, or dispose of legislation[. All other motions are in order during the public comment phase:], all other motions are in order;

~~[(2) During the public comment phase of a committee meeting:]~~

~~[(a)]~~ (b) the chair, or a committee by majority vote, may limit the time an individual witness or presenter speaks to a committee as authorized under [HR3-2-304](#); ~~[and]~~

~~[(b)]~~ (c) the chair, or the committee by majority vote, may terminate the public comment phase at any time~~[-:]; and~~

(d) the chair may not take comment from an individual witness 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.

~~[(3)]~~ (2) Unless the chair, or a committee by majority vote, permits additional public comment, once the public comment phase has ended only committee members, legislative sponsors, staff, and those authorized under [HR3-2-307](#) may address the committee.