

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Introduced: 4/4/03
Referred: Rules

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature providing**
2 **that the 2000 edition of "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure" shall implement the**
3 **rules; and providing for an effective date for the amendments.**

4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 * **Section 1.** Rule 4, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

6 **Rule 4. Duties of the Presiding Officer.** The presiding officer of each house
7 has the duties set forth in Section 575, MASON'S MANUAL OF LEGISLATIVE
8 PROCEDURE, 2000 [1979] edition, when not inconsistent with these Uniform Rules.
9 In the absence of the regular presiding officer, the majority leader of the house serving
10 ex officio as presiding officer pro tempore shall preside; except that the regular
11 presiding officer may temporarily relinquish the chair to any member.

12 * **Sec. 2.** Rule 26, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

13 **Rule 26. Decorum in Debate.** Decorum in debate is governed by the
14 provisions of Sections 120 through 126 [127], MASON'S MANUAL OF
15 LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE, 2000 [1979] edition, when not inconsistent with these

1 Uniform Rules.

2 * **Sec. 3.** Rule 55(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

3 (a) The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in MASON'S MANUAL
4 OF LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE, **2000** [1979] edition, implement and govern the
5 Uniform Rules of the Legislature in all cases not covered by these Uniform Rules.

6 * **Sec. 4.** The amendments proposed by this resolution take effect July 1, 2003.