

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16(RLS)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/11/03

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

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; relating to meetings of subcommittees and conference committees; and providing**
4 **for an effective date for the amendments.**

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

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

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

13 * **Sec. 2.** Rule 23, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended by adding a
14 new subsection to read:

15 (g) The provisions of (a) - (d) of this section do not apply to meetings of

1 subcommittees of standing, special, or joint committees or to conference committees.
2 Reasonable notice under the circumstances shall be provided for meetings of
3 subcommittees and conference committees.

4 * **Sec. 3.** Rule 26, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

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

9 * **Sec. 4.** Rule 55(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

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

13 * **Sec. 5.** The amendments proposed by this resolution take effect July 1, 2003.