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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20 (Rules)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to the uniform
6 rules to limit amendment of bill
7 titles and to limit powers of Free
8 Conference Committees and making
9 other technical amendments; and
10 providing for an effective date.

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

12 * Section 1. Rule 24(c) of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legis-
13 lature is amended to read:

14 (c) If a committee has more than one bill on the same subject or
15 if it finds it necessary to revise a bill substantially, it may report
16 out a substitute bill and recommend that the substitute be accepted for
17 second reading in the place of the original bill. A committee of the
18 second house may not report a committee substitute for a bill or an
19 amendment to a bill that requires a change in the title of the bill,
20 other than a clerical or technical change, as the title was enacted
21 in the house of origin. Substitute bills are duplicated and distri-
22 buted when they are reported out by the committee. Committee substitute
23 bills carry a notation of the source or sponsor of the original bill in
24 the manner prescribed by the drafting manual unless the sponsor objects
25 to the [HIS OR THEIR] name so appearing.

26 * Sec. 2. Rule 35 of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature
27 is amended to read:

28 RULE 35. AMENDMENT. A [NO] motion or proposition on a subject
29 may not [SHALL] be admitted under color of amendment if the subject

1 matter is different from that under consideration. A motion or propo-
2 sition on a subject that requires a change in the title of the bill
3 as enacted in the house of origin, other than a clerical or technical
4 change, is not in order in the second house. An [NO] amendment may not
5 be considered by the house unless submitted in writing and read aloud
6 by the clerk or secretary. Amendments offered by a committee shall be
7 included in its written report and attached to the original bill. A
8 bill in second reading is subject to amendment and is treated section
9 by section. An [NO] amendment may not be made to a bill in its third
10 reading, but the bill may be returned to second reading by a majority
11 vote of the full membership of the house for the purpose of specific
12 amendment. When action on a specific amendment in second reading is
13 completed, the bill automatically advances to third reading. Except
14 as provided in this rule, a [A] title may be amended or a change of
15 sponsor made in third reading or after passage by a majority vote
16 of the members present, but the title amendment or sponsor change
17 [SAME] must be accomplished before the measure acted upon has been
18 enrolled. When amendments to the body of a bill affect the numbering
19 of sections, or passage or failure of the effective date clause affects
20 the title, the clerk or secretary may accomplish the necessary changes
21 without formal motion, and the [SUCH] changes shall be noted in the
22 journal. Resolutions may be amended in the same manner as a bill.

23 * Sec. 3. Rule 41 of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature
24 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

25 (b) An amendment to a bill introduced in the other house is not
26 in order if the amendment requires a change of the bill title other
27 than a clerical or technical change.

28 * Sec. 4. Rule 42 of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature
29 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

1 (c) A Conference Committee with limited powers of free conference
2 or a Free Conference Committee may not include in its report on an
3 appropriation bill an item which was not included in a version of that
4 appropriation bill adopted in third reading by a house and the amount
5 appropriated by an item may not exceed the higher amount appropriated
6 by that item in a version of the bill adopted in third reading by a
7 house.

8 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of (c) of this rule, a Free
9 Conference Committee may consider and include in its report on an
10 appropriation bill

11 (1) appropriations for new legislation and resolutions
12 passed by both houses for programs which require appropriations; and

13 (2) appropriations for agency programs specifically re-
14 quested by the governor and submitted in writing to the committee.

15 (e) a Conference Committee, a Conference Committee with limited
16 powers of free conference, or a Free Conference Committee may not adopt
17 a report that requires a change in the title of a bill other than a
18 clerical or technical change.

19 * Sec. 5. The amendments made by this resolution take effect June 30,
20 1982.