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Referred: Rules

Original sponsor: Fuller

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
2 CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32 (Rules)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to the uniform  
6 rules concerning committee meetings and  
7 sponsor substitutes; and providing for  
8 an effective date.

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

10 \* Section 1. Rule 23 of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legisla-  
11 ture is amended to read:

12 RULE 23. COMMITTEE MEETINGS. (a) Written notice of the time,  
13 place and subject matter of all meetings of standing, special, and  
14 joint committees during a week shall be provided by the person who  
15 chairs the committee to the chief clerk or secretary by 3:00 [4:00]  
16 p.m. on the preceding Thursday.

17 (b) The person who chairs the committee to which a bill or  
18 resolution is first referred shall provide to the chief clerk or  
19 secretary written notice of the time and place of the first public  
20 hearing on the bill or resolution at least 72 hours [FIVE DAYS] before  
21 the hearing.

22 (c) The notice requirements of (a) and (b) of this section  
23 [HOWEVER, THIS REQUIREMENT] may be waived by motion of the person who  
24 chairs the committee [TO WHICH A BILL OR RESOLUTION IS FIRST REFERRED]  
25 if concurred in by majority vote of the full membership of the house.

26 (d) The chief clerk or secretary shall publish and distribute  
27 copies of the weekly schedule of committee meetings [AND OF THE FIVE-  
28 DAY NOTICE OF HEARING].

29 (e) [(b)] If the time or place of a committee meeting is changed

1 from that shown in the weekly schedule of committee meetings, the  
2 [THE] person who chairs a standing, special, or joint committee shall  
3 notify the house of which the person is a member either orally from  
4 the floor or by providing [PROVIDE] the chief clerk or secretary  
5 written notice of the change. Written [IN THE TIME, PLACE OR SUBJECT  
6 MATTER OF A MEETING AT THE NEXT DAILY LEGISLATIVE SESSION,] notice of  
7 the schedule change shall be given to [ANNOUNCED BY] the chief clerk  
8 or secretary at least 24 hours before the meeting and published as a  
9 notice in the journal of the house.

10 (f) [(c)] A scheduled meeting of a standing, special, or joint  
11 committee may be postponed or cancelled and consideration of the  
12 scheduled subject matter may be postponed or cancelled at any time.  
13 If possible, notice of the postponement or cancellation shall be  
14 given in the same manner as provided for notice of change in (b) of  
15 this rule.

16 [(d) THE PROVISIONS OF (a) AND (b) OF THIS RULE DO NOT APPLY TO  
17 A STANDING, SPECIAL, OR JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULED AFTER THE  
18 DATE A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO  
19 OR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN VERSIONS OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT.  
20 HOWEVER, A PERSON WHO CHAIRS A STANDING, SPECIAL, OR JOINT COMMITTEE  
21 SHALL POST WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE TIME, PLACE AND SUBJECT MATTER OF A  
22 MEETING AT LEAST 24 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING.]

23 (g) [(e)] The provisions of (a) - (f) [(d)] of this rule do not  
24 apply to meetings of

25 (1) the Rules Committee when it meets for the purpose of  
26 preparing the daily calendar;

27 (2) the Committee on Committees referred to in Rule 1(e);

28 or

29 (3) standing, special, or joint committees when the

1 committee meets during the interim between sessions or during a  
2 special session.

3 (h) [(f)] Each standing, special, and joint committee

4 (1) shall record its meetings electronically and prepare a  
5 log of the recording adequate to locate specific testimony;

6 (2) shall prepare minutes of each meeting of the committee  
7 on a standard form prescribed jointly by the Rules Committees of the  
8 house and the senate; the minutes shall include

9 (A) a list of the names of each member present during  
10 the meeting;

11 (B) a list of the name and affiliation of each witness  
12 testifying before the committee;

13 (C) a brief statement of the position of the witness  
14 on the subject testified upon; and

15 (D) each amendment formally considered by the commit-  
16 tee, the name of the member moving adoption of the amendment, the  
17 action taken on the amendment, and the yeas and nays if a com-  
18 mittee member has requested a roll call vote on adoption of an  
19 amendment;

20 (3) shall maintain a chronological file of minutes, copies  
21 of which shall be made available upon request to committee members and  
22 the public; committee minutes, tapes and other materials of research  
23 value shall be delivered by the committee at the end of each session  
24 or each legislature to the legislative reference library for appro-  
25 priate disposition;

26 (4) shall [MAY] make available to the Legislative Affairs  
27 Agency a copy of all minutes of committee meetings during the session  
28 for entry of the minutes as a data base on the legislative computer  
29 system.

1     \* Sec. 2. Rule 37 of the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature  
2 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

3             (c) A sponsor who has introduced a bill or resolution or, if the  
4 bill or resolution was sponsored by more than one member, the member  
5 whose name first appears in the list of sponsors may introduce a  
6 sponsor substitute for the bill or resolution at any time before the  
7 bill or resolution is reported from the first committee of reference.  
8 The effect of introduction of a sponsor substitute is to withdraw the  
9 original bill or resolution. The introduction does not require con-  
10 sent of the membership of the house. A sponsor substitute may not be  
11 introduced if the subject matter is different from that of the origi-  
12 nal bill.

13     \* Sec. 3. This resolution takes effect immediately.