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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. HCR 26

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to Rule 23 of the  
6 Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legis-  
7 lature relating to committee meetings;  
8 and providing for 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) At least five days before the  
13 meeting, written [WRITTEN] notice of the time, place and subject  
14 matter of all meetings of standing, special, and joint committees  
15 [DURING A WEEK] shall be provided by the person who chairs the commit-  
16 tee to the chief clerk or secretary by 3:00 [4:00] p.m. on the day  
17 notice is given [PRECEDING THURSDAY. THE PERSON WHO CHAIRS THE  
18 COMMITTEE TO WHICH A BILL OR RESOLUTION IS FIRST REFERRED SHALL  
19 PROVIDE TO THE CHIEF CLERK OR SECRETARY WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE TIME AND  
20 PLACE OF THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BILL OR RESOLUTION AT LEAST  
21 FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING].

22 (b) The notice requirement of (a) of this section [HOWEVER, THIS  
23 REQUIREMENT] may be waived by motion of the person who chairs the  
24 committee to which a bill or resolution is [FIRST] referred if con-  
25 curred in by majority vote of the full membership of the house.

26 (c) The chief clerk or secretary shall publish and distribute  
27 each day the house is in session a [COPIES OF THE WEEKLY] schedule of  
28 committee meetings scheduled for the next seven days [AND OF THE  
29 FIVE-DAY NOTICE OF HEARING].

1           (d) If the time or place of a committee meeting is changed from  
2 that shown in the schedule of committee meetings, the [(b) THE]  
3 person who chairs a standing, special, or joint committee shall  
4 provide the chief clerk or secretary written notice of the change.  
5 Notice [IN THE TIME, PLACE OR SUBJECT MATTER OF A MEETING. AT THE  
6 NEXT DAILY LEGISLATIVE SESSION, NOTICE] of the schedule change shall  
7 be announced if a regular floor session occurs between the time the  
8 meeting was scheduled and the time of the changed meeting [BY THE  
9 CHIEF CLERK OR SECRETARY] and published as a notice in the journal of  
10 the house.

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

16           (f) [(d)] The provisions of (a) - (d) [AND (b)] of this rule do  
17 not apply to a standing, special, or joint committee meeting scheduled  
18 after the date a conference committee has been chosen to consider  
19 amendments to or differences between versions of the general appro-  
20 priation act. However, a person who chairs a standing, special, or  
21 joint committee shall post written notice of the time, place and  
22 subject matter of a 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. The amendments proposed by this resolution take effect on  
2 convening of the Second Session of the Fourteenth Alaska Legislature.