

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8
 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
 EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature
 2 relating to notice of committee meetings and action by committees; and providing
 3 for an effective date.

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

5 * Section 1. Rule 23(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to
 6 read:

7 (a) Written notice of the time, place and subject matter of all meetings of
 8 standing, special, and joint committees during a week, beginning on Monday and
 9 ending on Sunday, shall be provided by the person who chairs the committee to the
 10 chief clerk or secretary by 4:00 p.m. on the preceding Wednesday. After a measure
 11 is first heard by a committee, the requirements of this subsection do not apply to
 12 subsequent hearings on that measure by the same committee if, during each
 13 meeting after hearing the measure, the person who chairs the committee
 14 announces the date and time of the next meeting during which the same measure
 15 will again be heard [THURSDAY. THE PERSON WHO CHAIRS THE
 16 COMMITTEE TO WHICH A BILL OR RESOLUTION IS FIRST REFERRED

1 SHALL PROVIDE TO THE CHIEF CLERK OR SECRETARY WRITTEN NOTICE
2 OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BILL
3 OR RESOLUTION AT LEAST FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING. HOWEVER,
4 THIS REQUIREMENT MAY BE WAIVED BY MOTION OF THE PERSON WHO
5 CHAIRS THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH A BILL OR RESOLUTION IS FIRST
6 REFERRED IF CONCURRED IN BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE FULL
7 MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOUSE]. The chief clerk or secretary shall publish and
8 distribute copies of the weekly schedule of committee meetings by 8:00 a.m.
9 Thursday [AND OF THE FIVE-DAY NOTICE OF HEARING].

10 * Sec. 2. Rule 24(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

11 (a) A committee acts on all measures [BILLS] referred to it and reports its
12 actions and recommendations to the house as soon as practicable. A measure may
13 be reported from committee only if approved by vote of at least a majority of the
14 members of the committee. A member may vote by teleconference to report a
15 measure from committee. Committee reports must be in writing and every member,
16 even a member who did not attend the meeting during which the vote was held
17 to report the measure out, may be given an opportunity to sign the report [THE
18 REPORT MUST BE SIGNED BY A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
19 COMMITTEE]. The report will note the recommendation of each member signing the
20 report.

21 * Sec. 3. Rule 37(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

22 (a) Any member, group of members, standing, special, or joint committee may
23 introduce a measure [BILL], subject to the provisions of these Uniform Rules. A
24 committee may introduce a measure only if approved by vote of at least a
25 majority of the members of the committee. A measure [BILL] must be introduced,
26 in proper form as approved by the enrolling secretary of the legislature, with the
27 original and two carbon copies delivered to the chief clerk or secretary. The measure
28 [BILL] is then assigned a number which it retains through subsequent changes and
29 substitutions. The measure [BILL] is considered formally introduced when the clerk
30 or secretary reads the heading and title aloud in open session (first reading). Bills may
31 be introduced through the Rules Committees by the governor and the permanent

- 1 interim committees pursuant to provisions of law.
- 2 * Sec. 4. The amendments proposed by this resolution take effect on the convening of the
- 3 Second Session of the Eighteenth Alaska State Legislature.