

RULE 6.8(A) REPORT
OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL LAW AND PROCEDURE
ON SENATE BILL NO. 1

 May 28, 2013
Date

I. SUMMARY OF JOINT RESOLUTION

This report is for Senate Bill No. 1 of the 2013 Regular Session by Senator Claitor , proposing to amend Const. Art. III, Section 2(A)(3)(b) and the introductory paragraph of (4)(b) of the Constitution.

SB 1 requires legislation relative to tax rebates to be introduced or considered only during sessions convening in odd-numbered years.

II. CONCLUSION

The proposed measure cannot be accomplished statutorily.

Since Const. Art. III, Section 2, establishes the matters which may be considered during legislative sessions, and SB 1 is proposing to add matters that can only be introduced and considered during certain legislative sessions, such changes can only be accomplished by amendment to the constitution.

III. OTHER PENDING MEASURES

Total joint resolutions introduced: 54

Total joint resolutions reported
by other standing committees: 26

HB 131 and HB 407 provide relative to the prefiling and introduction of legislation, the object of which is to legislate with regard to exemptions, exclusions, deductions, reductions, repeals, rebates, incentives, abatements, or credits. HB 131 addresses matters which may be introduced during a legislative session, while HB 407 addresses the requirement to prefile the legislation.

Since SB 1 does not address tax incentives or abatements. SB 1, HB 131, and HB 407 are inconsistent with one another with respect to the requirements of tax incentives and abatements.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

With Amendments X

Without Amendments