

2020 First Extraordinary Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

JOINT RULES: Requires all fiscal notes to be requested in writing and requires the name of the person who requested the fiscal note to appear on the face of the fiscal note

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To adopt Joint Rule No. 4(H) of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives  
3 to provide relative to fiscal notes.

4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that Joint Rule No. 4(H) of the  
5 Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives is hereby adopted to read as follows:

6 Joint Rule No. 4. Fiscal Notes

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8 H. All requests for a fiscal note shall be made to the appropriate legislative  
9 officer in writing. The legislative officer responsible for preparing the note shall  
10 include the name of the person who requested the fiscal note on the face of the fiscal  
11 note.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires all fiscal notes to be requested in writing and requires the legislative officer responsible for preparing the note to include the name of the person who requested the fiscal note on the face of the fiscal note.

Present Joint Rule requires certain specified legislative instruments to have a fiscal note attached to it prior to its consideration by any committee of either house, unless the committee otherwise decides, and prior to its consideration on final passage in either house. Present Joint Rule further provides that a fiscal note shall not constitute a part of the law proposed by the measure to which it is attached and may be requested by the chief clerical

officer of either house, the author of the instrument or amendment, or the chairman of the appropriate legislative committee

Proposed Joint Rule further requires all requests for a fiscal note to be made to the appropriate legislative officer in writing. Further requires the legislative officer responsible for preparing the note to include the name of the person who requested the fiscal note on the face of the fiscal note. Otherwise retains present Joint Rule.

(Adds Joint Rule 4(H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed resolution:

1. Broaden the proposed rule requirement regarding requests for fiscal notes, from requiring requests to be made via email to requiring requests to be made in writing.