

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6

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1 A RESOLUTION

2 To amend and readopt House Rules 2.10(A)(4) and (12), 6.8(A), and 6.11(A)(3) and (4) of  
3 the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives, to adopt House Rule 1.5 of the  
4 Rules of Order of the House of Representatives, and to repeal House Rules  
5 6.11(A)(5), 8.20, 8.21, 8.22, 8.23, 8.24, and 8.25 of the Rules of Order of the House  
6 of Representatives, to provide relative to the recommittal of certain legislative  
7 instruments; to provide relative to revocation of certain access under certain  
8 circumstances; and to repeal provisions for the local and consent and major state  
9 calendars.

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana  
11 that House Rules 2.10(A)(4) and (12), 6.8(A), and 6.11(A)(3) and (4) of the Rules of Order  
12 of the House of Representatives are hereby amended and readopted and House Rule 1.5 of  
13 the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives is hereby adopted to read as follows:

14 Rule 1.5. Access revocation; lobbying

15 A. No person who has been granted admission to the floor of the House  
16 Chamber shall lobby for or against, or under any other guise engage in any activity  
17 in support of or in opposition to, any legislative instrument or other matter before the  
18 House of Representatives or any committee thereof during the course of any  
19 legislative session. Any such activity shall be cause for the immediate confiscation  
20 and revocation of any badge issued to such person and removal of such person from  
21 the House Chamber upon order of the presiding officer.

22 B. The provisions of this Rule shall not prohibit the dissemination of purely  
23 factual information.

1                    C. The provisions of this Rule shall not apply to any member of the  
 2                    legislature nor to any legislative employee subject to the provisions of House Rule  
 3                    3.4.

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5                    Rule 2.10. Clerk of the House; duties

6                    A. The duties of the Clerk while the legislature is in session shall include the  
 7                    following:

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9                    (4) To maintain the calendars of bills, resolutions, and joint resolutions to be  
 10                   taken up and acted upon by the House, ~~including the regular, the major state, and the~~  
 11                   ~~local and consent calendars, as provided in House Rules 8.2, 8.8, 8.20, 8.21, 8.22,~~  
 12                   ~~and 8.23.~~

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14                   (12) To make available, electronically, prior to convening each day an order  
 15                   of the day for the House which shall consist of a listing of the regular and special  
 16                   orders of business of the House for that day; an enumeration of each legislative  
 17                   instrument to be acted upon that day in each such order of business; an enumeration  
 18                   of all legislative instruments for which a notice of intention to call from the calendar  
 19                   has been given in accordance with House Rule 8.26; and an enumeration of all  
 20                   legislative instruments which have been returned to the calendar. ~~The order of the~~  
 21                   ~~day shall also enumerate those instruments on third reading and final passage which~~  
 22                   ~~are on the major state calendar and those which are on the local and consent~~  
 23                   ~~calendar.~~ No hard copies of the order of the day shall be distributed to a member  
 24                   unless the member specifically requests a hard copy.

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26                   Rule 6.8. Recommittal: Constitutional amendments; special elections; propositions;  
 27                   study resolutions; Capital Outlay Bill; minimum foundation resolution;  
 28                   legislative instruments creating special funds; legislative instruments with a  
 29                   fiscal impact; public records exceptions; interstate compacts; ~~felonies~~

1 A.(1) A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Louisiana  
2 Constitution or a bill which calls a special election or which proposes to submit a  
3 proposition or question to the voters, having been referred to a standing committee,  
4 other than the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure, under the provisions of Rule  
5 6.5, if reported, shall be reported to the Clerk of the House in accordance with the  
6 requirements of Rule 6.11(A). However, after such report, any such House  
7 instrument ordered engrossed, immediately following the engrossment order, and  
8 any such Senate instrument reported favorably or with amendments, immediately  
9 following the reading of such report and action on any amendments reported, shall  
10 be recommitted by the speaker to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

11 (2)(a) Said committee shall study all legislative instruments recommitted to  
12 it pursuant to this Paragraph, shall ensure that the ballot language is comprised of  
13 simple, unbiased, concise, and easily understood language which conforms to all  
14 applicable laws, and shall review the proposed election date at which the proposition  
15 or question is to be submitted to the voters to ensure maximum voter turnout, to the  
16 extent practicable.

17 (b) Said committee shall also study all ~~measures~~ legislative instruments  
18 recommitted to it pursuant to this Paragraph, ~~taking into account other joint~~  
19 ~~resolutions introduced in either the House or the Senate~~, and shall report such  
20 measures to the full House "with amendments" or "without amendments".

21 (c) Said committee shall study all joint resolutions recommitted to it, taking  
22 into account other joint resolutions introduced in either the House or the Senate, and  
23 include with the report a statement indicating whether the measures referred to it can  
24 be accomplished statutorily without the necessity of the constitutional amendment  
25 and whether such measures conflict with one another, and indicating the number of  
26 joint resolutions introduced and the number reported by other standing committees.

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28 Rule 6.11. Committee report; session; interim

29 A. For each meeting held during session at which a legislative instrument is  
30 scheduled for public hearing, a standing committee shall submit a written report to

1 the Clerk of the House as soon as possible after each committee meeting. For each  
 2 meeting held during the interim at which a legislative instrument is scheduled for  
 3 public hearing and a report on such instrument is determined, each standing  
 4 committee shall submit a written report to the Clerk of the House within five  
 5 working days after the committee meeting. The report of such standing committee  
 6 for each meeting shall be in such form as to list in numerical order the number and  
 7 title of each legislative instrument upon which the committee took action at the  
 8 meeting. Below the designation and title of each legislative instrument the report of  
 9 the committee shall contain the following with respect to such instrument:

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11 ~~(3) In each case in which a bill or joint resolution is reported favorably or~~  
 12 ~~reported with amendments, after the vote by which such report was determined, in~~  
 13 ~~parentheses, the words "local and consent calendar", if, upon a separate motion, the~~  
 14 ~~committee has recommended that the instrument be placed on the local and consent~~  
 15 ~~calendar as provided in House Rule 8.21, or the words "major state calendar", if,~~  
 16 ~~upon a separate motion, the committee has recommended that the instrument be~~  
 17 ~~placed on the major state calendar as provided in House Rule 8.22, or, the words~~  
 18 ~~"regular calendar", for a bill or a joint resolution which is not placed on the local and~~  
 19 ~~consent calendar or on the major state calendar.~~

20 ~~(4)~~ For each instrument reported with amendments, the proposed  
 21 amendments, submitted on a separate sheet of paper and numbered consecutively and  
 22 the original and three copies thereof attached to the bill.

23 ~~(5)~~ (4) In each case in which the committee has recommended that the bill  
 24 or joint resolution be placed in Special Order, in parentheses the words "Special  
 25 Order" after the words "local and consent calendar", "regular calendar", or "major  
 26 state calendar", if, upon a separate motion, the committee has recommended that the  
 27 bill or joint resolution be placed in Special Order as provided in House Rule 8.6.

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1           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature  
2 of Louisiana that House Rules 6.11(A)(5), 8.20, 8.21, 8.22, 8.23, 8.24, and 8.25 of the Rules  
3 of Order of the House of Representatives are hereby repealed in their entirety.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES