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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
AMENDING LEGISLATIVE JOINT RULE 3-1 PERTAINING TO CONFERENCE
COMMITTEES.

WHEREAS, Legislative Joint Rule 8-1 requires that joint rules may be adopted, amended or repealed by concurrent resolution approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, that the following Joint Rule 3-1 be amended to read:

"CONFERENCE COMMITTEES (3-1)
If one house refuses to concur in the amendments made to its bill by the other house, the chief clerk shall notify the house making the amendments of that

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1 refusal to concur and ask that it recede from its
2 amendments. If the amending house refuses to recede
3 from its amendments, a conference committee,
4 consisting of three members from each house, shall
5 be appointed by the president pro tempore of the
6 senate and the speaker of the house. Conference
7 committee meetings shall be open to the public;
8 provided that conference committee meetings may be
9 closed to the public during committee discussions of
10 personnel issues or issues related to pending
11 litigation or the purchase, acquisition or disposal
12 of real property or water rights. The conference
13 committee shall meet at a time to be mutually agreed
14 upon by the committee members, and when agreement on
15 the amendments in dispute has been reached, the
16 members shall report to their respective houses, or
17 if agreement has not been reached, they shall report
18 that fact to their respective houses. No new item
19 shall be presented as an amendment for inclusion in
20 the conference committee report unless the item has
21 been the subject of a legislative committee hearing
22 during the session. Voting in the conference
23 committee shall be by the respective houses, and a
24 majority of the membership from each house is
25 required for adoption of a recommendation. The

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report of the conference committee shall not be
subject to amendment in either house. The report of
the conference committee shall always be in order
except during a roll call or when a question of
order or a motion to adjourn is pending. "