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HOUSE RESOLUTION 6

**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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A RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE HOUSE RULES TO REQUIRE REGISTERED LOBBYISTS TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN INFORMATION PRIOR TO TESTIFYING BEFORE A HOUSE COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, House Rule 24-1 provides that the rules of the house of representatives may be amended by a two-thirds' vote of all the members of the house or by a majority vote of the members of the house upon the recommendation of the house rules and order of business committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the following house rules be amended to read:

"5-3 The chief clerk shall:

- (a) attend every session and call the roll when ordered to do so by the speaker;

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1 (b) read or cause to be read all bills,  
2 amendments, memorials, resolutions and papers  
3 ordered to be read by the speaker;

4 (c) prepare and furnish each member with a  
5 copy of the daily calendar, which shall include all  
6 bills for third reading and other matters to be  
7 considered by the house;

8 (d) see that all bills and other papers shall  
9 be presented to the house in the order in which they  
10 are reported or stand upon the calendar, unless  
11 otherwise directed by the house;

12 (e) keep a correct journal of the proceedings  
13 of the house, in which shall be recorded in full all  
14 messages from the governor to the house or the  
15 legislature during the present session, all titles  
16 of bills, resolutions and memorials introduced or  
17 submitted for the consideration of the house;

18 (f) superintend all copying and work to be  
19 done for the house;

20 (g) notify the house of the action by the  
21 senate on all matters originating in the house and  
22 requiring action on the part of the house;

23 (h) during the session, present to the  
24 governor and enter upon the journal such bills and  
25 other matters that originated in the house and were

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1 passed by both houses and require the governor's  
2 consideration; transmit all bills, joint resolutions  
3 and joint memorials [~~which~~] that have been passed by  
4 the house to the senate, but before doing so, the  
5 chief clerk shall certify thereon the facts of their  
6 passage and the date thereof and the votes by which  
7 they passed;

8 (i) under the direction of the speaker, have  
9 control and care during the session of all rooms,  
10 passages and parts of the capitol set apart for the  
11 use of the house of representatives;

12 (j) direct, assign and reassign all employees  
13 of the house to their respective duties, except the  
14 assistant sergeants-at-arms, and report to the house  
15 all incompetent employees with [~~his~~] the clerk's  
16 recommendation for removal, and such report shall be  
17 acted upon forthwith;

18 (k) by Friday of each week, publish or  
19 mimeograph for distribution to each member of the  
20 legislature and to the public, a schedule for the  
21 succeeding week of all house committee hearings, as  
22 reported by the committee [~~chairmen~~] chairs, showing  
23 by number and short title the [~~bill~~] legislation to  
24 be heard, the committee [~~which~~] that will conduct  
25 the hearing and the time, date and place of hearing;

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1 (l) prepare a list showing the status of  
2 legislation either on the speaker's table or in  
3 committee at the time of final adjournment, which  
4 list shall be included in the journal [~~and deliver~~  
5 ~~all such documents to the secretary of state to be~~  
6 ~~filed by him as a permanent record; and~~];

7 (m) permit no papers or records belonging to  
8 the house to be taken out of [~~his~~] the clerk's  
9 custody other than by the regular course of  
10 business;

11 (n) \*\*\*; and

12 (o) maintain for inspection by members and the  
13 public a registry of lobbyists, the legislation on  
14 which each is lobbying and each lobbyist's  
15 employer."; and

16 "9-10 The principal duties of the chair of a committee  
17 are:

18 (a) to call the committee together at such  
19 reasonable times and places as to enable the  
20 committee to properly perform its functions. All  
21 committee members will be notified of committee  
22 meetings;

23 (b) to preside over meetings of the committee,  
24 maintain order and decide all questions of order  
25 subject to appeal to a majority of the appointed

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1 committee and to ensure that the decorum of the  
2 committee is preserved while maximizing the public's  
3 ability to observe, report on and participate in a  
4 meeting; provided that prior to allowing a lobbyist  
5 who is registered pursuant to the Lobbyist  
6 Regulation Act to speak at a meeting, the chair  
7 shall ask if the lobbyist has disclosed to the chief  
8 clerk the legislation on which the lobbyist is  
9 lobbying and the lobbyist's employer;

10 (c) to supervise and direct the clerical and  
11 other employees of the committee, helping with the  
12 preparation of reports to submit to the committee  
13 and to require the committee to keep a record of the  
14 attendance of committee members at all committee  
15 meetings and to file such attendance record with the  
16 chief clerk on Friday of each week. Such record  
17 shall be a public record;

18 (d) to have custody of all papers referred to  
19 the committee and to transmit them to the chief  
20 clerk when the committee is through with them and  
21 endorse on each document what action has been taken  
22 on it, if any;

23 (e) to see that bills are discussed in order  
24 as they are referred to the committee, except when  
25 another order of business is agreed upon by a

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majority of the appointed committee;

(f) to arrange in cooperation with the coordinator for joint hearings with a similar committee of the senate upon arrival of the committee members and the proper senate committee; and

(g) in the absence of the sponsor of a measure, be prepared, or designate a committee member to be prepared, to explain the bill to the house."