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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

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## A RESOLUTION

AMENDING CERTAIN HOUSE RULES TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF THE CHIEF CLERK AND TO MAINTAIN DECORUM; ADOPTING A NEW RULE REGARDING ELECTRONIC DEVICES; REPEALING A RULE REGARDING SMOKING IN THE CHAMBERS.

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:

"2-2 The hiring and dismissal of employees shall be the responsibility of the [committee on

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1		printing and supplies] chief clerk of the
2		house."; and
3	"5-3	The chief clerk shall:
4		(a) attend every session and call the
5		roll when ordered to do so by the speaker;
6		(b) read or cause to be read all bills,
7		amendments, memorials, resolutions and papers
8		ordered to be read by the speaker;
9		(c) prepare, <u>publish</u> on the <u>legislature's</u>
10		website and furnish each member with [a copy]
11		copies of [the daily calendar] all calendars,
12		which shall include all bills for third reading
13		and other matters to be considered by the
14		house;
15		(d) see that all bills and other papers
16		shall be presented to the house in the order in
17		which they are reported or stand upon the
18		calendar, unless otherwise directed by the
19		house;
20		(e) keep a correct journal of the
21		proceedings of the house, in which shall be
22		recorded in full all messages from the governor
23		to the house or the legislature during the
24		present session, all titles of bills,
25		resolutions and memorials introduced or

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submitted for the consideration of the house;

- (f) superintend all copying and work to
  be done for the house;
- (g) notify the house of the action by the senate on all matters originating in the house and requiring action on the part of the house;
- (h) during the session, present to the governor and enter upon the journal such bills and other matters that originated in the house and were passed by both houses and require the governor's consideration; transmit all bills, joint resolutions and joint memorials [which] that have been passed by the house to the senate, but before doing so, the chief clerk shall certify thereon the facts of their passage and the date thereof and the votes by which they passed;
- (i) under the direction of the speaker, have control and care during the session of all rooms, passages and parts of the capitol set apart for the use of the house of representatives;
- (j) <u>hire</u>, direct, assign and reassign all employees of the house to their respective duties, except the assistant sergeants-at-arms,

and report to the house all incompetent employees with [his] a recommendation for removal, and such report shall be acted upon forthwith;

- (k) [by Friday of each week, publish or mimeograph for distribution] prepare, publish on the legislature's website and furnish to each member of the legislature [and to the public] a schedule for [the succeeding week of all] upcoming house committee hearings, as reported by the committee [chairmen] chairs, showing by number and short title the bill to be heard, the committee [which] that will conduct the hearing and the time, date and place of hearing;
- (1) prepare a list showing the status of legislation either on the speaker's table or in committee at the time of final adjournment, which list shall be included in the journal, and deliver all such documents to the office of the secretary of state to be filed [by him] as a permanent record; and
- (m) permit no papers or records belonging
  to the house to be taken out of [his] the chief
  clerk's custody other than by the regular

1		course of business."; and
2	<b>"</b> 7-10	No member shall be interrupted when speaking
3		nor shall any motion be in order until such
4		member has concluded, and no [question shall be
5		asked him except those] member shall speak on a
6		motion except as propounded through the speaker
7		and with the consent of the member <u>making the</u>
8		<pre>motion."; and</pre>
9	"7-12	[ <del>During a</del> ] <u>Each member owes a duty to preserve</u>
10		the decorum of the house. While the house is
11		<u>in</u> session, a member shall <u>devote the member's</u>
12		attention to the business of the house and
13		shall not speak in a disruptive manner to
14		another member or [ <del>read a newspaper while the</del>
15		journal or other matters are being read] behave
16		in a manner that detracts from the decorum of
17		the house or otherwise disrupt the business of
18		the house. A member shall not walk across the
19		chamber when the speaker is putting a question.
20		No member shall walk between a member who is
21		speaking and the chair or between the two
22		members engaged in a debate. No member shall
23		otherwise interrupt the business of the
24		house."; and
25	<b>"</b> 9-5-7	In addition to the transmissions provided for
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in House Rule 9-5-8, photography, video or audio recording or transmission of committee proceedings may, upon request, be allowed with the permission of the chair. Each person video recording committee hearings shall be prepared to announce for whom they are recording. This includes photography and video recording from the well of committee rooms; provided that every effort is made to set up equipment before hearings begin."; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a new House Rule 7-12-1 be adopted to read:

**"**7-12-1

Electronic devices shall be kept in silent mode while the house is in session. A member shall not record or transmit audio or video of another member while on the floor without that member's permission."; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that House Rule 23-10 be repealed.

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