

HOUSE RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018

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:

"5-3 The chief clerk shall:

(a) attend every session and call the

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1 roll when ordered to do so by the speaker;

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

5 (c) prepare, publish on the legislature's
6 website and furnish each member with [~~a copy~~]
7 copies of [~~the daily calendar~~] all calendars,
8 which shall include all bills for third reading
9 and other matters to be considered by the
10 house;

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

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

23 (f) superintend all copying and work to
24 be done for the house;

25 (g) notify the house of the action by the

1 senate on all matters originating in the house
2 and requiring action on the part of the house;

3 (h) during the session, present to the
4 governor and enter upon the journal such bills
5 and other matters that originated in the house
6 and were passed by both houses and require the
7 governor's consideration; transmit all bills,
8 joint resolutions and joint memorials [~~which~~
9 that have been passed by the house to the
10 senate, but before doing so, the chief clerk
11 shall certify thereon the facts of their
12 passage and the date thereof and the votes by
13 which they passed;

14 (i) under the direction of the speaker,
15 have control and care during the session of all
16 rooms, passages and parts of the capitol set
17 apart for the use of the house of
18 representatives;

19 (j) direct, assign and reassign all
20 employees of the house to their respective
21 duties, except the assistant sergeants-at-arms,
22 and report to the house all incompetent
23 employees with [~~his~~] a recommendation for
24 removal, and such report shall be acted upon
25 forthwith;

1 (k) ~~[by Friday of each week, publish or~~
2 ~~mimeograph for distribution]~~ prepare, publish
3 on the legislature's website and furnish to
4 each member of the legislature ~~[and to the~~
5 ~~public]~~ a schedule for ~~[the succeeding week of~~
6 ~~all]~~ upcoming house committee hearings, as
7 reported by the committee ~~[chairmen]~~ chairs,
8 showing by number and short title the bill to
9 be heard, the committee ~~[which]~~ that will
10 conduct the hearing and the time, date and
11 place of hearing;

12 (l) prepare a list showing the status of
13 legislation either on the speaker's table or in
14 committee at the time of final adjournment,
15 which list shall be included in the journal,
16 and deliver all such documents to the office of
17 the secretary of state to be filed ~~[by him]~~ as
18 a permanent record; and

19 (m) permit no papers or records belonging
20 to the house to be taken out of ~~[his]~~ the chief
21 clerk's custody other than by the regular
22 course of business."; and

23 "7-10 No member shall be interrupted when speaking
24 nor shall any motion be in order until such
25 member has concluded, and no ~~[question shall be~~

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1 ~~asked him except those~~ member shall speak on a
2 motion except as propounded through the speaker
3 and with the consent of the member making the
4 motion."; and

5 "7-12 [~~During a~~] Each member owes a duty to preserve
6 the decorum of the house. While the house is
7 in session, a member shall devote the member's
8 attention to the business of the house and
9 shall not speak in a disruptive manner to
10 another member or [~~read a newspaper while the~~
11 ~~journal or other matters are being read~~] behave
12 in a manner that detracts from the decorum of
13 the house or otherwise disrupts the business of
14 the house. A member shall not walk across the
15 chamber when the speaker is putting a question.
16 No member shall walk between a member who is
17 speaking and the chair or between the two
18 members engaged in a debate. No member shall
19 otherwise interrupt the business of the
20 house."; and

21 "9-5-7 In addition to the transmissions provided for
22 in House Rule 9-5-8, photography, video or
23 audio recording or transmission of committee
24 proceedings may, upon request, be allowed with
25 the permission of the chair. Individuals who

1 wish to record committee hearings shall be
2 prepared to announce for whom they are
3 recording. This includes photography and video
4 recording from the well of committee rooms;
5 provided that every effort is made to set up
6 equipment before hearings begin."; and

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

9 "7-12-1 Electronic devices shall be kept in silent mode
10 while the house is in session. A member shall
11 not record or transmit audio or video of
12 another member while on the floor without that
13 member's permission."; and

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

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