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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1  
**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,  
2000**

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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rules may be adopted, amended or repealed by concurrent  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 refusal to concur and ask that it recede  
from its amendments. If the amending house refuses

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

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except during a roll call or when a question of  
order or a motion to adjourn is pending.".