

SENATE RULES COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001

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rules may be adopted, amended or repealed by concurrent  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 SENATE, THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES 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

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 upon a vote of the committee to  
10 discuss personnel issues or issues related to  
11 pending litigation, prison security or the purchase,  
12 acquisition or disposal of real property or water  
13 rights. The time and place of open conference  
14 committee meetings shall be announced in open  
15 session on the floor of each house. The conference  
16 committee shall meet at a time and place to be  
17 mutually agreed upon by the committee members, and  
18 when agreement on the amendments in dispute has been  
19 reached, the members shall report to their  
20 respective houses, or if agreement has not been  
21 reached, they shall report that fact to their  
22 respective houses. No new item shall be presented  
23 as an amendment for inclusion in the conference  
24 committee report unless the item has been the  
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1 subject of a legislative committee hearing during  
2 the session. Voting in the conference committee  
3 shall be by the respective houses, and a majority of  
4 the membership from each house is required for  
5 adoption of a recommendation or a motion to close  
6 the meeting. The report of the conference committee  
7 shall not be subject to amendment in either house.  
8 The report of the conference committee shall always  
9 be in order except during a roll call or when a  
10 question of order or a motion to adjourn is  
11 pending. "

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