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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

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A RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE HOUSE RULES TO PROVIDE THAT APPOINTMENTS TO  
STANDING COMMITTEES BE MADE BY THE RESPECTIVE CAUCUSES.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that House Rule 9-1  
be amended to read:

"9-1        [~~The speaker shall appoint~~] All appointments to  
              committees created by the house, except those  
              committees where the members are designated in the  
              motion creating them, [~~and all appointments~~] shall

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1           be made by the respective caucuses, announced in  
2           open session and made a matter of record in the  
3           journal."; and

4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that House Rule 9-1-2 be amended to  
5           read:

6           "9-1-2       The speaker shall designate, [~~the chairmen~~] from the  
7                       committee membership, the chairs and vice chairs of  
8                       each committee when the committee is appointed.";   
9           and

10          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that House Rule 9-7 be amended to  
11         read:

12         "9-7         If the [~~chairman~~] chair is absent at any meeting,  
13                       the [~~second member named in such committee~~] vice  
14                       chair shall act as [~~chairman~~] chair at the  
15                       meeting.".