



2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 53

September 21, 2015 – Introduced by Senators VINEHOUT, CARPENTER, WIRCH, LASSA, RISSER and RINGHAND, cosponsored by Representatives BARCA, DOYLE, HEBL, SINICKI, KOLSTE, WACHS, MASON, POPE, BOWEN, SARGENT, MILROY, OHNSTAD, RIEMER, SPREITZER, GOYKE, SHANKLAND, HESSELBEIN, SUBECK, BROSTOFF, CONSIDINE, BERCEAU and JORGENSEN. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

- 1 ***To repeal and recreate*** joint rule 27; **relating to:** public notice for assembly,
2 senate, and joint committee meetings.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This joint resolution amends the joint rules to provide that public notice of every assembly and senate committee meeting must be given at least 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting, unless the chairperson and ranking minority member of the committee determine that for good cause such notice is impossible or impractical. In no case, however, may notice be provided less than two hours in advance of a meeting. Similarly, the joint resolution amends the joint rules to provide that public notice of every joint committee meeting must be given at least 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting, unless the cochairpersons of the committee determine that for good cause such notice is impossible or impractical. In no case, however, may notice be provided less than two hours in advance of a meeting.

The public notice for assembly, senate, and joint committee meetings must be in such form as is reasonably likely to apprise members of the public and the news media of the meeting and must indicate the day, hour, and place of the meeting and the number, author, and relating clause of each proposal to be considered. The joint resolution requires that every committee meeting must be publicly held in a place reasonably accessible to members of the public and must be open to all citizens at all times.

-
- 3 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:***

