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## 2021 SENATE RESOLUTION 10

September 24, 2021 - Introduced by Senators CARPENTER, L. TAYLOR, RINGHAND, AGARD, BEWLEY, JOHNSON, LARSON, SMITH and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **To amend** senate rule 22 (1); **relating to:** advice and consent of senate.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current senate rules provide that whenever a nomination for an executive branch appointment is submitted to the senate for confirmation, the president must refer the nomination to the standing committee that the president considers the most appropriate committee to pass upon the qualifications of the candidate. The committee must report its findings and recommendations to the senate in writing. There are no deadlines for committee action on the nomination or for the full senate to act on the nomination.

This resolution amends the senate rules to provide that the president must refer a nomination to committee within 10 days after the appointment is submitted to the senate and the committee must report its findings and recommendations to the senate within 50 days after referral. The rules are further amended to require that the senate must consider a nomination within 40 days after a committee has reported its findings and recommendations on the nomination to the senate.

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2 **Resolved by the senate, That:**

3 **SECTION 1.** Senate rule 22 (1) is amended to read:

4 SENATE RULE 22 (1) Whenever a nomination for an appointment is submitted  
5 to the senate, as required by law, the president shall refer the nomination to the  
6 standing committee that the president deems to be the most appropriate committee

1 to pass upon the qualifications of the candidate within 10 days after the appointment  
2 is submitted to the senate. The committee shall report its findings and  
3 recommendations to the senate in writing within 50 days after the nomination is  
4 referred to the committee. ~~Nominations may be considered~~ The senate shall consider  
5 a nomination within 40 days after a committee has reported its findings and  
6 recommendations on the nomination to the senate, and the persons so nominated  
7 may with the advice and consent of the senate be appointed during any session of the  
8 senate.

9 (END)