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JOINT RULES

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January 4, 1999	(Monday)	1999 Inauguration
Jan. 14, 1999	(Thursday)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
Jan. 26 to 28, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
Feb. 16 to 18, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
Feb. 18, 1999	(Thursday)	Governor's budget message: latest day
March 2 to 4, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
March 16 to 25, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
April 22, 1999	(Thursday)	Bills sent to Governor
May 11 to June 30, 1999	OR budget passage (Tu - We)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
August 12, 1999	(Thursday)	Bills sent to Governor
Sept. 21 to 30, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
Oct. 26 to Nov. 11, 1999	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
December 16, 1999	(Thursday)	Bills sent to Governor
Jan. 25 to Feb. 10, 2000	(Tu - Th)	<u>Floorperiod</u>
Mar. 7 to 30, 2000	(Tu - Th)	.. Last general-business <u>Floorperiod</u>
May 2 to 4, 2000	(Tu - Th)	Limited-business <u>Floorperiod</u>
May 11, 2000	(Thursday)	Bills sent to Governor
May 23 to 24, 2000	(Tu - We)	(Veto Review) <u>Floorperiod</u>
May 25, 2000, to Jan. 1, 2001	(Th - Mo)	Interim, committee work
June 1, 2000	(Thursday)	Bills sent to Governor
January 3, 2001	(Wednesday)	2001 Inauguration

* A pamphlet of this type is printed within one week following final legislative concurrence in any joint resolution making significant changes in the joint rules.

In the present pamphlet, the joint rules of the Wisconsin Legislature are printed as last reenacted by 1977 Assembly Joint Resolution 1 (enrolled as 1977 EJR-10), and subsequently

modified by 1979 Assembly Joint Resolution 1 (EJR-1), 1981 Senate Joint Resolution 1 (EJR-1), 1981 Senate Joint Resolution 32 (EJR-26), 1987 Assembly Joint Resolution 1 (EJR-1), 1987 Senate Joint Resolution 48 (EJR-41), 1989 Assembly Joint Resolution 24 (EJR-15), 1991 Senate Joint Resolution 1 (EJR-1) and Assembly Joint Resolution 2 (EJR-10), 1993 Senate Joint Resolution 1, 1997 Assembly Joint Resolution 1, and 1999 Assembly Joint Resolution 18.

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Chapter 1: JOINT PROCEDURES OF THE TWO HOUSES

JOINT RULE 1. **Joint convention.** Whenever there shall be a joint convention of the 2 houses, the president of the senate shall preside over such joint convention, and the chief clerk of the assembly shall act as clerk thereof, assisted by the chief clerk of the senate.

[am. 1981 SJR-1]

JOINT RULE 2. **Receding from position on amendment.** Whenever an amendment has been nonconcurrent in by the other house, any member may move to recede from such amendment. If the motion prevails such amendment shall thereby be reconsidered and rejected and the bill or amendment to which said amendment had been adopted by the house shall thereby be passed or concurred in, as the case may be, so that no further action shall be required thereon in either house.

JOINT RULE 3. **Committee of conference.** In all cases of disagreement between the senate and assembly on amendments, adopted by either house to a bill or joint resolution passed by the other house, a committee of conference consisting of 3 members from each house may be requested by either house, and the other house shall appoint a similar committee.

(1) The usual manner of procedure is as follows: If a bill of one house has been amended and passed by the other house, and has been returned to the house of origin and that house has refused to concur in an amendment, such house may appoint a committee of conference and notify the other house which shall appoint a committee of conference unless it votes to recede from its amendment. Such committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer, but senate committees shall be confirmed as are standing committees. The joint committee shall, at a convenient hour agreed upon, meet and state to each other, verbally or in writing, the reasons of their respective houses for or against the disagreement, and confer thereon, and shall report to their respective houses any agreement they arrive at by the vote of at least 2 of the members of the committee representing each house.

(2) When the conference committee has reached agreement the report shall be first presented, if a senate bill or joint resolution, to the assembly and, if an assembly bill or joint resolution, to the senate. The vote by each house to adopt the conference report constitutes final action on the proposal and may not be reconsidered.

(3) Approval of the conference report by a roll call vote in each house sufficient to constitute final passage of the proposal shall be final passage of the bill or joint resolution in the form and with the changes proposed by the report.

(4) If the conference committee is unable to agree, another conference committee consisting of new members may be appointed and may proceed to further consideration of the proposal or of amendments thereto.

[(1)&(2) am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 5. Bill recalled from governor. Any bill recalled by joint resolution from the governor for further consideration shall, after having been actually returned to the house where it originated, be deemed to be before said house for its action thereon and may be reconsidered or otherwise acted upon without any reconsideration or other action thereon being first had in the other house. Any action taken shall then be messaged to the other house for its concurrence.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 6. Measure recalled from other house. The recall of a measure from outside the jurisdiction of the house requires a joint resolution.

JOINT RULE 7. Citations by the legislature. For the purpose of extending the commendations, condolences or congratulations of the legislature to a particular person, or to recognize a particular event or occasion, there may be issued a "citation by the legislature". The approval of such citations shall in each house be governed by the rules of that house.

(1) Citations may be used in place of resolutions for commendations, congratulations or condolences to past or present state officials or other public figures, or to give recognition to an important event or occasion. Citations may not be used for procedural matters nor in place of resolutions memorializing the U.S. congress, but only if appropriate to express the feeling of one house or of both houses of the legislature with reference to a person or to an event or occasion.

(2) Citations may not be used for matters of a controversial or partisan political nature.

(3) Each house shall establish a procedure for reviewing each proposed citation, whether originating in that house or received from the other house with the request for concurrence, for its appropriateness under subs. (1) and (2).

(4) The chief clerks of the 2 houses shall cooperate with the legislative reference bureau in designing a worksheet for citations under this rule. This worksheet shall contain spaces for the following information:

(a) The short title of the citation.

(b) The signature of the sponsor in the house of origin and, if the citation is to be issued by the entire legislature rather than by one house only, the signature of the cosponsor from the 2nd house.

(c) The full text of the citation. Because a citation is to be presented on an 8-1/2 inch by 11 inch form, artistically designed and suitable for framing, the full text of the citation shall not exceed 15 typewritten lines of 70 characters each.

(d) The name and address of the person to whom the citation is to be delivered, or a statement that the certificate will be picked up in the chief clerk's office of the house of origin by a specific member of that house.

[(1) am. 1987 SJR-48]

**Chapter 2:
PROCEDURES DERIVED FROM STATE CONSTITUTION**

JOINT RULE 11. Quorum. (1) Unless a different and higher vote quorum is required by the state constitution for a specific action, a majority of the current membership constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(2) Three-fifths of the members elected is the quorum necessary for passage (or concurrence) in either house of any fiscal bill under section 8 of article VIII of the constitution. The votes shall be taken by ayes and noes and shall be so recorded in the journal. A fiscal bill is any bill which:

- (a) Imposes, continues or renews a tax.
- (b) Creates a debt or charge.
- (c) Makes, continues or renews an appropriation of public or trust money.
- (d) Releases, discharges or commutes a claim or demand of the state.

[(2) am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 12. Required vote total. (1) Unless a different and higher total vote is required by the state constitution for a specific action, all questions are decided by a majority of a quorum.

(2) As required by the state constitution, each of the following bills requires such higher affirmative vote total for passage (or concurrence) in either house. The vote shall be taken by ayes and noes and shall be so recorded in the journal.

(a) Three-fourths of all the members elected to each house are necessary to approve any bill to grant increased retirement fund benefits under section 26 of article IV of the constitution.

(b) Two-thirds of all the members elected to that house in which the member serves are necessary to approve the expulsion of a member under section 8 of article IV of the constitution.

(c) Two-thirds of all the members elected to each house are necessary to remove a justice or judge by address of the legislature under section 13 of article VII of the constitution.

(d) Two-thirds of the members present and constituting a quorum in each house are necessary to pass any bill, or to pass any part of an appropriation bill, notwithstanding the objections of the governor under section 10 of article V of the constitution.

(e) Two-thirds of the senators present and constituting a quorum are necessary to convict in an impeachment trial under section 1 of article VII of the constitution.

(f) A majority of all the members elected to each house is necessary to authorize state debt for extraordinary expenditures under section 6, or to authorize bonded indebtedness under section 7 of article VIII, or to give first or second consideration approval to any proposed state constitutional change under section 1 of article XII of the constitution.

(g) A majority of all the representatives elected to the assembly is necessary to vote an impeachment under section 1 of article VII of the constitution.

*[(2)(c) am. 1981 SJR-32]
[(2)(pars) am. 1987 SJR-48]*

JOINT RULE 13. **Adjournment for more than 3 days.** As provided by section 10 of article IV of the constitution, neither house shall, without the consent of the other house through approval of a joint resolution by both houses, during any session of the legislature adjourn for any period of more than 3 consecutive days (Sundays excepted).

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 14. **Stationery; reproduction of legislative documents.** (1) All stationery purchased for the legislature shall be let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

(2) Each house of the legislature may have publications and other matter reproduced in the manner provided by the rules of each house or the joint rules. In addition, the legislature or either house thereof may provide by rule, and the joint committee on legislative organization may provide by motion with the ayes and noes recorded in its minutes, for reproduction of materials for the legislature in any form, manner or amount which in the judgment of the legislature, the house or the joint committee best serves the interests of the people of the state, except that where there is a contract for reproduction with which such reproduction would conflict, the contract shall continue to govern until it expires.

(3) For any legislative document originating in one house of the legislature and to be reproduced for both houses of the legislature, the joint committee on legislative organization shall determine the number of copies routinely to be reproduced unless otherwise provided by law or joint rule or resolution but the chief clerks of the senate and assembly, acting jointly, may authorize the reproduction of additional copies if warranted by the anticipated requests.

*[(1)&(2) am.; (3) rn. 1987 SJR-48]
[(title),(1),(2)&(3) am. 1997 AJR-1]
[(title) am. 1999 AJR-18]*

Chapter 3: JOINT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

JOINT RULE 21. **Joint hearings of standing committees.** The chairpersons of corresponding committees of both houses or committees having corresponding proposals referred to them shall arrange joint hearings of their committees to consider such proposals if, in their judgment, the business of the legislature and the convenience of the members and the public, who are interested in such proposals, will be promoted thereby. The proposals to be considered, the time and place of the hearings, who presides at the hearings and any other matters convenient to the hearings may be agreed upon by the chairpersons. Joint hearings may also be arranged to consider a proposal introduced in only one house which will require consideration in both houses. Such joint hearings shall take the place of separate hearings, and shall be final unless the house where the proposal is pending orders a further hearing before its own committee.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 22. **Cochairpersons of joint committees.** All standing or special joint committees shall have a senate and an assembly cochairperson. Any meeting of a joint

committee shall be chaired by the cochairperson from the house which referred the business then before the joint committee.

JOINT RULE 23. Joint committee on legislative organization. (1) There is created a joint committee on legislative organization consisting of the speaker of the assembly, the president of the senate, the majority and minority leader of each house and the assistant majority and minority leader of each house.

(2) The committee shall have such powers and responsibilities as are conferred upon it by statute or by the rules and may take appropriate action thereunder. The committee shall recommend to the houses any action it considers likely to more closely coordinate the work of the 2 houses or to save expenses or increase the efficiency of the legislature.

*[am. 1981 SJR-1]
[am. 1987 SJR-48]*

JOINT RULE 25. Funeral delegation. A joint delegation consisting of members of the senate appointed by the president and of members of the assembly appointed by the speaker shall attend the funeral of any deceased member of the legislature.

[am. 1981 SJR-1]

JOINT RULE 27. Committee hearings open to public. Unless otherwise provided by law, every committee hearing, executive session or other meeting shall be open to the public. If time permits, advance notice of every regularly scheduled committee hearing, executive session or other meeting shall be published as provided in joint rule 75.

[rn. from Jt.Rule 31(3), 1987 SJR-48]

Chapter 4: CLERICAL PROCEDURES

JOINT RULE 31. Record of committee proceedings. (1) The chairperson or acting chairperson of each committee of the legislature shall keep, or cause to be kept, a record of the committee's proceedings containing the following information:

(a) The date, time, place and subject of each hearing, and of each meeting of the committee.

(b) The attendance of committee members at each meeting.

(c) The name of each person appearing before the committee, with the name of the person or persons and the name of the group or organization on whose behalf such appearance is made.

(d) The vote of each member on all motions, bills, resolutions, amendments or administrative rules acted upon.

(2) The record shall be ready and approved before the expiration of 10 days after each committee meeting or at the next regular meeting of the committee, whichever is earlier.

(3) Any member of a joint committee who is opposed to the committee's majority report may, at the time of the committee's final vote on the matter, notify the chair of his or her intent to file a minority report and may then file such report with the chairperson no later

than the 2nd business day after the vote. For any joint committee or committee of conference the committee report, including any minority report, may be provided to the members as decided by the presiding officer for each house.

(4) The committee shall file, in the jacket envelope of every bill, joint resolution, resolution or administrative rule reported by it, the original record of the committee's proceedings containing the information compiled under sub. (1) for the proposal or administrative rule. A duplicate of the record shall be filed by the chief clerk numerically by the number of the proposal or administrative rule in the form most accessible for the use of the members and the public during the session. At the end of the biennial session the duplicates shall be filed in the legislative reference bureau.

*[(1),(2)&(4) am; (3) cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(3) am. 1999 AJR-18]*

JOINT RULE 32. Certification of passage of proposals. (1) The chief clerk of each house shall supervise the entry of actions by that house in the history file for any bill, joint resolution or resolution. The chief clerk of each house shall include the history entries in the jacket envelope before submitting the jacket to the chief clerk of the other house. The entries shall include the following:

- (a) The number and relating clause of the proposal.
- (b) The name of the member, members or committee introducing the proposal.
- (c) If appropriate, the name of the individual or organization requesting the proposal.
- (d) The dates of introduction, reference to committee and all subsequent actions pertaining to the proposal, including any motion to end debate of the proposal.
- (e) If appropriate, the actual date on which a fiscal estimate is received.
- (f) The actual date of each public hearing.
- (g) The date and resolution number of any request, approved by that house, for an opinion of the attorney general, and the date on which such opinion was received.
- (h) The date of any clerical correction in the proposal as authorized by joint rule 56.
- (i) The date and authorizing chief clerk for any reproduction of a proposal with all adopted amendments engrossed therein or of any major amendment thereto as authorized by joint rule 63.

(3) Each house shall provide by rule the manner by which the passage by that house of bills, joint resolutions or resolutions shall be certified.

*[(3) rn; (1)&(2) cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)(intro.)&(i) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 33. Book of enrolled bills. (1) The chief clerk of each house shall keep a book in which the chief clerk enters the date on which any enrolled bill, originating in that house, is submitted to the governor for approval. The chief clerk's entry shall show the number of the bill, and shall be countersigned by an employe of the office of the governor.

(2) Such books shall similarly show the day of deposit in the office of the secretary of state of bills passed notwithstanding the objections of the governor and of resolutions required to be published.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 34. **Submittal of enrolled bills to governor.** After the enrolled bill has been signed by the appropriate officer or officers certifying to its passage, it shall be presented, as provided in the session schedule, by the chief clerk of the house in which it originated to the office of the governor for approval.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 35. **Assignment of enrolled joint resolution numbers.** The chief clerk shall assign an enrolled joint resolution number to any joint resolution amending the constitution and may assign an enrolled joint resolution number to any other joint resolution if the joint resolution originated in the chief clerk's house.

[cr. 1997 AJR-1]

Chapter 5: FISCAL ESTIMATE PROCEDURE

JOINT RULE 41. **When fiscal estimates required or permitted.** (1) (a) All bills making an appropriation and any bill increasing or decreasing existing appropriations or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues shall carry a fiscal estimate.

(b) An executive budget bill introduced under section 16.47 (1) of the statutes is exempt from the fiscal estimate requirement under par. (a) but may, if it contains a provision affecting a public retirement system or providing a tax exemption, be analyzed as to that provision by the appropriate joint survey committee.

(c) For purposes of par. (a), a bill increasing or decreasing the liability or revenues of the unemployment reserve fund is considered to increase or decrease state fiscal liability or revenues.

(2) (a) Fiscal estimates are required on original bills only and not on substitute amendments or amendments.

(b) A bill containing a penalty provision is exempt from the fiscal estimate requirement if the bill contains no other provisions requiring a fiscal estimate under sub. (1) (a).

(3) (a) The joint committee on finance by the approval of a majority of its members, or either cochairperson of the committee, may request from the legislative fiscal bureau, or through the department of administration from an appropriate state agency, a supplemental fiscal estimate on any bill or on a bill as affected by any proposed amendment or proposed substitute amendment if the committee or cochairperson believes that the fiscal estimate on the bill, or on the bill as affected by the proposed amendment, would be substantially different from the fiscal estimate on the original bill. A supplemental fiscal estimate prepared under this paragraph shall be submitted to the legislative reference bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

(b) At the request of a bill's primary author, the presiding officer of either house may request through the department of administration from an appropriate state agency a supplemental fiscal estimate on any bill, or on a bill as affected by any proposed amendment or proposed substitute amendment, if the presiding officer believes that the

fiscal estimate on the bill, or on the bill as affected by the proposed amendment, would be substantially different from the fiscal estimate on the original bill. Unless otherwise determined by the house in which the bill may be placed on calendar, failure to receive a supplemental fiscal estimate requested under this paragraph on a bill which already has one or more original fiscal estimates shall not delay consideration of the bill. A supplemental fiscal estimate prepared under this paragraph shall be submitted to the legislative reference bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

(c) The department of administration may submit a supplemental fiscal estimate to the legislative reference bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope if the department disagrees with a fiscal estimate prepared by a state agency.

(d) In addition to the original estimates prepared by state agencies, the department of administration shall, if appropriate, submit to the legislative reference bureau for review by the requester under joint rule 48 and for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope, a consolidated fiscal estimate summarizing all original fiscal estimates prepared by state agencies relating to a specific bill.

(e) Any state agency may submit to the department of administration for submission to the legislative reference bureau for review by the primary author of an introduced bill under joint rule 48 and for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope an updated fiscal estimate supplementing the original estimate on any bill if the agency has available better or more current information.

(f) The legislative fiscal bureau or the department of administration shall, if requested under joint rule 48 (3), prepare a supplemental fiscal estimate. If a supplemental fiscal estimate is requested the fiscal bureau or the department shall submit the prepared supplemental fiscal estimate to the legislative reference bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

(g) A state agency shall submit any fiscal estimate requested under joint rule 48 (2) to the department of administration for submission to the legislative reference bureau for review by the primary author under joint rule 48 and for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

(h) Any state agency may rewrite its original fiscal estimate as provided under joint rule 48 (4).

(i) The department of administration may correct any fiscal estimate prepared by a state agency as provided under joint rule 46 (5).

*[am; (3)(b) cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)(b) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(3)(a)to(g) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 42. General procedures. (1) (a) Fiscal estimates shall be prepared by all state agencies receiving the appropriation, collecting the revenue, administering the program or having information concerning the subject matter of the bill. Bills containing provisions for both appropriations and revenues or either appropriations or revenues for more than one state agency shall receive estimates from each such agency.

(b) In addition, the department of administration shall, when appropriate, prepare a consolidated fiscal estimate as required under joint rule 41 (3) (d).

(c) For bills with a fiscal impact on general local government, the department of administration shall obtain the requisite information from all appropriate state agencies.

(2) The name of the state agency preparing the estimate, and the date, shall be reproduced at the end of the estimate. The estimate shall also be signed by a responsible official of the agency.

(3) Each state agency shall prepare the fiscal estimate within 5 working days from the date on which it receives the bill, but the department of administration, on a limited basis only and upon an agency's request received prior to the end of the 5-day period and applicable to only one fiscal estimate, may extend such period for the specified fiscal estimate to not more than 10 working days if the bill necessitates extended research. Whenever such extension is granted, the department of administration shall immediately notify the legislative reference bureau.

(4) The state agencies are requested to utilize the bills, substitute amendments and amendments submitted to them for official purposes only. In particular, no state agency may copy, or otherwise disseminate information regarding, any bill, substitute amendment or amendment submitted to it by "LRB" number, indicating that such bill, substitute amendment or amendment has not been offered for introduction in the legislature.

*[(1)&(4) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(2) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 43. Reliable dollar estimate. The estimate shall be factual in nature, and shall provide as reliable a dollar estimate as possible. The fiscal estimate shall contain a statement setting forth the assumptions used in arriving at the dollar estimate. Identification of technical or policy problems in the bill shall not be included in the estimate but should be submitted separately in a technical memorandum.

JOINT RULE 44. Bill jackets to display "FE". (1) The jackets of all bills carrying a fiscal estimate shall have the initials "FE" displayed on them.

(2) (a) The preliminary determination of whether the bill requires a fiscal estimate shall be made by the legislative reference bureau which shall indicate that a bill requires a fiscal estimate displaying "FE" prominently on the jacket.

(b) No jacket on which the "FE" symbol has been defaced may be accepted for introduction unless the deletion of the "FE" symbol has been initialed by the chief or the deputy chief of the legislative reference bureau.

*[(title),(1)&(2)(a) am. 1997 AJR-1]
[(2)(b) am. 1999 AJR-18]*

JOINT RULE 45. Duties of legislative reference bureau. (1) After a proposed bill has been drafted the legislative reference bureau shall inform the requester that a fiscal estimate is required when it submits the draft to the requester. If authorized by the requester, the bureau shall promptly submit such proposed bill to the department of administration for preparation of a fiscal estimate. The requester may introduce the bill without the fiscal estimate, but when such a bill is introduced the legislative reference bureau shall promptly submit a copy of the bill to the department of administration for preparation of a fiscal estimate. The legislative reference bureau shall keep a record of the date on which each bill is thus submitted and its number.

(2) If the fiscal estimate is procured before the bill is introduced, the legislative reference bureau shall submit a copy of the estimate to the requester. If the requester desires to introduce the bill, the reference bureau shall place the estimate and any worksheet at the end of the bill or in the jacket envelope, and prepare the bill for introduction. The fiscal estimate and any worksheet shall be reproduced at the end of the bill or as an appendix as are amendments. If the fiscal estimate is procured after the bill has been introduced the legislative reference bureau shall submit a copy of the estimate and any worksheet to the primary author of the introduced bill as provided under joint rule 48.

(3) The chief clerk shall enter in the history file for a bill the dates when a fiscal estimate on an original bill is published, when a fiscal estimate on any bill as amended or as amended by any proposed amendment or substitute amendment is published, when a supplemental fiscal estimate is published and when a memorandum under joint rule 47 is inserted in the bill jacket. If a fiscal estimate is requested after the bill is introduced, the chief clerk shall enter in the history file for the bill the dates when a fiscal estimate on an original bill is requested, when a fiscal estimate on any bill as amended or as amended by any proposed amendment or substitute amendment is requested, and when a supplemental fiscal estimate is requested.

*[(3) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(2)&(3) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 46. Duties of department of administration and state agencies. (1) The department of administration shall promptly review each bill received, determine all of the agencies to which it shall be submitted for a fiscal estimate, and forward the fiscal estimate request to such agencies, keeping a record of the date of submission to and receipt from the agencies and the number of the bill.

(2) The state agency shall prepare an original typed copy of the estimate and of any worksheet and such copies as specified by the department of administration. It shall return the estimate and any worksheet and the bill within 5 working days to the department of administration unless the department of administration, under joint rule 42 (3), extends the period for the preparation of the estimate. The department of administration shall notify the state agency of any bill not returned within the deadline.

(3) The department of administration shall promptly return all fiscal estimates and any worksheets to the legislative reference bureau, retaining one copy of each estimate and worksheet for its files.

(4) The department of administration shall, when requested under joint rule 48 (3), prepare a supplemental fiscal estimate, and shall submit the supplemental fiscal estimate to the legislative reference bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

(5) The department of administration may correct any computation or other clerical error in a fiscal estimate prepared by an agency but may not make any substantive change. If the department makes such a correction it shall note on the fiscal estimate prepared by the agency the manner in which it has been corrected by the department and shall submit both the corrected and uncorrected fiscal estimates to the legislative reference bureau.

[(2)&(4) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 47. Duties of joint committee on finance. The joint committee on finance may by the vote of a majority of its members direct that any legislative fiscal bureau memorandum on a bill referred to the committee, other than a budget bill, be inserted in the bill jacket envelope. If the committee so directs, a copy of the memorandum shall be distributed to all legislators and to the legislative reference bureau.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 48. Review of agency prepared fiscal estimates. (1) On the 6th working day after the legislative reference bureau submits a copy of a fiscal estimate for an introduced bill to the primary author, the bureau shall forward copies of the fiscal estimate and any worksheet to the legislative fiscal bureau and to the chief clerk of the house of origin to be inserted in the bill jacket envelope and shall forthwith cause the original, signed copy of the estimate and any worksheet to be reproduced as are amendments.

(2) During the 5-day period under sub. (1), the primary author of an introduced bill may request that an original fiscal estimate for the bill as affected by an introduced or an un-introduced proposed amendment or an introduced or un-introduced proposed substitute amendment be prepared by the agency which prepared the fiscal estimate for the bill.

(3) The primary author of an introduced bill may request that the legislative fiscal bureau or the department of administration prepare a supplemental fiscal estimate if the primary author disagrees with the fiscal estimate for the bill prepared by the state agency.

(4) During the 5-day period under sub. (1), the primary author of an introduced bill may request that the agency which prepared the fiscal estimate rewrite its fiscal estimate. If the agency agrees to rewrite the estimate and the primary author agrees to a delay in the publication of the fiscal estimate, the agency shall immediately notify the department of administration and the legislative reference bureau and the rewritten fiscal estimate, notwithstanding sub. (1), shall be the only original estimate reproduced and inserted in the bill jacket envelope, but both the rewritten and the initial fiscal estimate shall be retained by the legislative reference bureau.

[(1)&(4) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 49. Bills not conforming. (1) Any member may at any time that a bill is before the house raise the issue that such bill requires a fiscal estimate, and if the presiding officer determines that such bill (not having such estimate) requires an estimate, the presiding officer shall direct the legislative reference bureau to secure the requisite estimate.

(2) Bills requiring fiscal estimates shall not be voted on by either house, and shall receive neither a public hearing nor be voted on by a standing committee, prior to the receipt of the original fiscal estimate for the bill.

(3) If the fiscal estimate for the bill has not been provided to the members when the vote on passage is taken, then the chief clerk shall read the fiscal estimate at length before the vote.

[(3) am. 1999 AJR-18]

**Chapter 6:
STYLE AND FORM OF PROPOSALS**

JOINT RULE 51. Use of LRB legal services. No measure may be offered for introduction unless it has been put in proper form by the legislative reference bureau. Only the persons authorized by this rule may use the drafting services of the legislative reference bureau to have measures prepared for introduction. Persons authorized to use such drafting services are:

(1) Any member or member-elect of the legislature and, on behalf of each committee thereof, the chairperson. The members and committees may authorize others to submit instructions for them, but for each draft prepared on such authorization the name of the member or committee authorizing the draft shall be made part of the record.

(2) Any agency of Wisconsin state government.

(3) The chief clerk of either house for drafting requests pertaining to the operation of the legislature.

[(3) cr. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 52. Format; text display; structure of proposals. All bills shall be reproduced on paper 8-1/2 by 11 inches. Each bill shall have a title, an enacting clause and subject matter disposed of in one or more sections and shall have the arrangement and wording prescribed by the following:

(1) The title of all bills shall state, in the fewest words practicable, the subject to which the bill relates and shall be drawn up in one of the following forms or a form similar to one of the following forms:

(a) AN ACT *to repeal*.... ; *to renumber*.... ; *to consolidate and renumber*.... ; *to renumber and amend*.... ; *to consolidate, renumber and amend*.... ; *to amend*.... ; *to repeal and recreate*.... ; and *to create*.... of the statutes; and *to affect* 19.. laws, chapter...., section.... [to 1981] and 19.. Wisconsin Act.... [starting 1983], section.... ; **relating to:**

(b) AN ACT **relating to:** (authorizing, providing, etc.)

(c) Any bill may include 2 or more types of actions and treat both general statutory law and nonstatutory law, but the various types of actions used shall be listed in the order shown in par. (a), and if both statutory and nonstatutory law are treated in the same manner, the statutory law shall be cited first.

(d) The relating clause shall record any of the following:

1. Expressly granting rule-making authority, or providing an exemption from rule-making procedures, or providing an exemption from or extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures.

2. Requiring a referendum.

3. Expressly providing for a penalty.

4. Making, continuing or renewing an appropriation.

(e) Executive budget bills under section 16.47 (1) of the statutes, bills proposing bulk revision of one or more entire chapters of the statutes, reconciliation bills introduced by the committee on organization of either house and revisor's correction and revision bills shall not be subject to the requirements of pars. (a) to (d), and instead may use a descriptive title similar to the following example: "AN ACT to amend and revise chapter... and to make diverse other changes in the statutes; **relating to:....**".

(2) The analysis by the legislative reference bureau shall follow the title.

(3) The enacting clause, required by section 17 (1) of article IV of the constitution, shall follow the analysis and shall read as follows: "The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:"

(4) The subject matter of the bill shall follow the enacting clause and be displayed in one or more sections which, except for budget bills or other bills of unusual length, shall be numbered consecutively. Substitute amendments may follow the section numbering of the bill. Each section shall begin in one of the following forms:

(a) SECTION.... (A designated part) of the statutes (or 19.. laws, chapter...., section.... [to 1981] and 19.. Wisconsin Act.... [starting 1983], section....) are (repealed) (renumbered....) (consolidated and renumbered....).

(b) SECTION.... (A designated part) of the statutes (or 19.. laws, chapter...., section.... [to 1981] and 19.. Wisconsin Act.... [starting 1983], section....) are (renumbered.... and amended) (consolidated, renumbered.... and amended) (amended) (repealed and recreated) (created) to read:

(c) SECTION (provisions of new, nonstatutory material).

(5) Any proposal, substitute amendment or amendment that proposes to amend an existing law or legislative rule, and any joint resolution that proposes to amend a section of the state constitution, shall display the full text of the unit of the law, rule or constitution that is being amended, with any matter to be stricken out typed with a line through the matter, and any new matter underscored. This requirement shall not apply to:

(a) Reconciliation bills introduced by the organization committee of either house and revisor's correction or revision bills.

(b) Appropriation sections which only increase or decrease the amount of an existing appropriation, which shall instead indicate the amount by which the applicable appropriation is to be increased or decreased, and the purpose of this increase or decrease.

(c) Proposals in which identical words are substituted for other words in existing law, if the laws in which the existing words occur are enumerated.

(6) All parts of the statutes and of other laws which are intended to be superseded or repealed should be specifically referred to, so far as practicable, and expressly superseded or repealed. This directive is not intended to affect judicial construction.

(7) Except as necessary to revise the relating clause of the affected bill, joint resolution, resolution or substitute amendment, an amendment may not change the title of the proposal. When a substitute amendment or proposal is reproduced with all adopted amendments engrossed therein, or when the proposal is enrolled after passage and

concurrence, the legislative reference bureau shall make the required changes in the title so that the title correctly lists all sections affected by the proposal.

[(intro),(1)&(4) am; (5)&(6) rn.am; (7) cr. 1987 SJR-48]

[(5)(intro) am. 1991 SJR-1]

[(1)(d)1 am. 1991 AJR-2]

[(1)(intro),(b),(e)&(7) am. 1997 AJR-1]

[(1)(a) r.rc. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 53. Incorporation of law into the statutes. (1) It is the policy of this state that law of continuing application shall be incorporated into the statutes. The assignment of statute numbering to any part of a bill shall be deemed indicative of a legislative intent that this text be incorporated into the statutes.

(2) In general, provisions of the following types need not be incorporated into the statutes:

(a) An increase or decrease in the amount of an existing sum certain appropriation, but the dollar amount by which the existing appropriation is increased or decreased shall be reflected in the appropriation total as shown in the statutes in the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes.

(b) A conveyance of real property or of a real property right or interest to or from the state or its political subdivisions.

(c) A declaration of intent or purpose.

(d) A directive or request for a limited-term study.

(e) A creation of a committee as defined in section 15.01 (3) of the statutes.

(f) A ratification of a collective bargaining agreement for state employees.

(g) A change in the authorized state building program.

(h) A position authorization.

(g) A change in the authorized state trunk highway system.

(j) An amendment to an existing nonstatutory provision.

(k) A temporary transitional provision, not extending beyond July 1 of the even-numbered year of the legislature's next biennial session.

(L) A provision affecting the timing of a law's application or nonapplication, not extending beyond July 1 of the even-numbered year of the legislature's next biennial session.

(m) Any other provision which is narrow in scope and intended to be temporary.

[cr. 1987 SJR-48]

[(1)&(2)(a) am. 1997 AJR 1]

JOINT RULE 54. Approval and jacketing of drafts. (1) Before jacketing a proposal for introduction, the legislative reference bureau shall submit a copy of the draft to the authorizing legislator, chief clerk or state agency for approval, but substitute amendments

or amendments shall be immediately prepared for introduction unless the authorizing legislator, chief clerk or state agency requests prior submittal for approval.

(2) The legislative reference bureau shall provide to the authorizing legislator or state agency 4 copies of each approved proposal and 6 copies of each approved amendment. One copy shall be for the use of the requester. The other copies shall, if a proposal, be inserted in the jacket envelope or, if a substitute amendment or amendment, be attached to an amendment jacket.

(3) (a) Jacket envelopes for proposals, and amendment jackets for substitute amendments and amendments, shall be identified by red for proposals, substitute amendments and amendments introduced in the senate, and shall be identified by black for those introduced in the assembly.

(b) Each amendment jacket shall contain blanks to identify the substitute amendment or amendment by number, to list the date of introduction and to enter the name or names of the member, members or committee that offered the substitute amendment or amendment. Each amendment jacket shall allow sufficient space to add, if appropriate, the name of the individual or organization requesting the introduction.

(c) Each jacket envelope shall be large enough to hold the papers pertaining to the proposal without such papers being folded.

[cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1),(2)&(3)(a)&(b) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(2)&(3) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 55. Authors and cosponsors. (1) Any bill, joint resolution or motion under joint rule 7 may have, following and separate from the names of the authors of the measure, the names of one or more cosponsors from the other house.

(2) When a proposal or amendment is introduced or offered by request, the name of the person requesting introduction of the proposal or amendment shall be made a part of the record of the proposal.

[rn. from Jt. Rule 53; (2) am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 56. Clerical corrections in legislative measures. (1) The chief clerks and the legislative reference bureau shall correct all minor clerical errors found in any bill, resolution or amendment thereto. Any correction under this rule shall be entered by the chief clerk in the history file for the proposal of the house having possession of the proposal.

(2) The current edition of Webster's new international dictionary shall be used as the standard on questions of correct spelling, word usage and proper grammar.

(3) Except as enumerated in pars. (a) to (e), corrections under this rule require in each instance the specific prior authorization of the presiding officer of the house having possession of the proposal. The following corrections do not require prior authorization:

(a) Inserting the enacting clause required for any bill by section 17 (1) of article IV of the constitution, or inserting the usual enabling clause in any resolution.

(b) Correcting the title of a proposal so that the enumeration of sections affected accurately reflects the statutes, session laws, Wisconsin Acts, sections of the constitution or legislative rules treated in the proposal.

- (c) Correcting the title of a bill so that the relating clause complies with joint rule 52 (1)
- (d).
- (d) Correcting the text of the proposal so that it conforms to sub. (2).
- (e) Correcting erroneous numeric references.

[cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 57. Amendments to state constitution. (1) Every joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution introduced for the purpose of a first approval shall, in the closing paragraph, refer such proposed amendment to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election. Every joint resolution proposing the 2nd legislative approval of an amendment to the constitution shall, in the closing paragraph, provide for submission of the amendment to the people in accordance with section 1 of article XII of the constitution.

(2) The text of a proposed constitutional amendment is not subject to change when a joint resolution submits such text for "2nd consideration" after the proposal was adopted on "first consideration" by the last preceding legislature, unless appropriate changes are made to revert the status of the constitutional amendment to "first consideration".

(a) While the constitutional amendment has "2nd consideration" status, only the relating clause and those paragraphs of the joint resolution pertaining to the ballot question and to the date of submission to the voters may be changed by amendment.

(b) Because any change in the text of a proposed constitutional amendment before the senate or assembly for "2nd consideration" reverts that proposed amendment to "first consideration" status, any such change shall be presented to the senate or assembly in the form of a substitute amendment which, in its title, its resolving clauses, and its instructions for transmittal to the next succeeding legislature, properly sets forth the resultant "first consideration" status of the proposed constitution text.

[rn. from Jt. Rule 55, 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 58. Amendments to U.S. Constitution. (1) Any amendment to the constitution of the United States, submitted to the legislatures of the several states for ratification, shall be considered in the form of a joint resolution.

(2) Every joint resolution to ratify an amendment to the constitution of the United States shall be given 3 readings in each house. The vote on adoption or concurrence shall be a roll call vote with the ayes and noes entered in the journal.

(3) That part of a joint resolution to ratify an amendment to the constitution of the United States which correctly sets forth the text of the proposed amendment may not be amended.

[cr. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 59. Explanative notes. In addition to such notes as are required by law or joint rule, explanative notes may be included in revision and correction bills prepared by the revisor of statutes, in reconciliation bills introduced by the committee on organization of either house and in bills, joint resolutions or resolutions introduced and in substitute amendments or amendments offered by the joint legislative council or its law revision committee, at the request of the judicial council and by or at the request of any other

official interim study or investigative group. Such notes shall be prepared by the requester, shall be factual in nature, shall be as brief as may be and, where feasible, shall follow the section of the measure to which they relate. Notes shall appear in the original reproduced version of the measure only, and shall not appear in the Wisconsin Acts or session law volumes unless the chief of the legislative reference bureau determines that including them is essential or in the statutes unless the revisor determines that including them is essential. Such notes constitute no part of the proposed act.

[rn. from Jt.Rule 56, 1987 SJR-48]

[am. 1997 AJR-1]

[am. 1999 AJR-18]

JOINT RULE 60. Enrolled bills. (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), immediately after the passage of any bill, or any joint resolution amending the constitution, and in the case of a bill, before it is presented to the governor for approval, the legislative reference bureau shall prepare the number of enrolled copies of the proposal requested by the chief clerk of the house in which the measure originated. One such copy shall be used as the enrolled bill or the enrolled resolution. Four copies of the enrolled bill or resolution shall be delivered to the secretary of state. A sufficient number of copies of the enrolled bill or enrolled resolution shall be delivered to the revisor of statutes.

(2) Whenever the legislative reference bureau determines that the text of a proposal passed by the legislature cannot be properly enrolled because of unreconciled conflicts in adopted amendments, the bureau shall report the problem to the organization committee of the house in which the proposal originated. If the organization committee concurs with that determination: a) the committee shall introduce a joint resolution recalling the proposal for further legislative action; and b) the bureau may not enroll the proposal until the legislature acts on the joint resolution recalling the proposal.

[rn. from Jt.Rule 54, 1987 SJR-48]

[(1) rn.am, (2) cr, 1989 AJR-24]

Chapter 7: REPRODUCTION OF PROPOSALS

Joint Rule 62. Number of copies. (1) The joint committee on legislative organization shall determine the number of copies of each bill, joint resolution or resolution and amendments thereto which shall be reproduced on a routine basis unless otherwise provided by joint resolution.

(2) Additional copies of a legislative proposal may be procured by the house in which the measure originated, as provided in the rules of the house or upon authorization by the committee on organization or chief clerk of that house.

[(title),(1)&(2) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 63. Reproduction of engrossed measures. Upon the finding by the chief clerk of either house that a bill, joint resolution, resolution or major amendment thereto has been amended in the house of origin to a considerable degree, the chief clerk may instruct the legislative reference bureau to prepare and have reproduced an engrossed copy of the measure. In preparing engrossed copy for a bill, joint resolution or resolution the legislative reference bureau shall, if time permits, provide it with a revised analysis. Upon receipt from the legislative reference bureau of the engrossed copy, the chief clerk

shall enter that fact in the history file for the measure. Any subsequent amendments to a measure ordered reproduced with all adopted amendments engrossed therein shall be drafted to the reproduced engrossed text.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 64. Display of text in amendatory proposals and acts. (1) Any proposal, substitute amendment or amendment that proposes to amend an existing law or legislative rule, and any joint resolution that proposes to amend a section of the state constitution or joint rules, shall display the full text of the unit of the law, rule or constitution that is being amended, with any matter to be stricken out displayed with a line through the matter, and any new matter displayed with underscoring. This requirement shall not apply to:

(a) Reconciliation bills introduced by the organization committee of either house or revisor's correction or revision bills.

(b) Appropriation sections which only increase or decrease the amount of an existing appropriation, which shall instead indicate the amount by which the applicable appropriation is to be increased or decreased, and the purpose of the increase or decrease.

(c) Proposals in which identical words are substituted for other words in designated parts of existing law, if the designated parts in which the words occur are enumerated.

(2) In any official publication of any act or enrolled joint resolution, matter stricken out shall be shown with a line through the stricken matter and new matter shall be shown underscored.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)(intro)&(2) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(title)&(1)(intro.) am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 65. Inserting date of enactment and publication date of acts. Before it transmits the text of an act for reproduction, the legislative reference bureau shall insert the act number, the date of enactment as defined in section 35.095 (1) (a) of the statutes and the designated date of publication in the text of the act.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 66. Enrolled joint resolutions. (1) All joint resolutions assigned an enrolled joint resolution number under joint rule 35 shall be included in the session laws. Others may be included in the session laws if the joint resolution so directs.

(2) Whenever more than one copy of a joint resolution is to be distributed, facsimile signatures of the several officers required to sign such resolutions may be used.

[(title),(1)&(2) am. 1997 AJR-1]

Chapter 8: OTHER LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENTS

JOINT RULE 71. Legislative manuals. The chief clerk of each house shall prepare, and transmit to the department of administration, a copy of a manual of procedure which shall

contain such matter as the house determines and has been customarily included in such manual. The department shall deliver to each chief clerk as many copies as the chief clerk requires. The chief clerks may prepare extracts of rules which have been changed or created for insertion in existing manuals for use until the new issues are available.

[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 72. Daily calendars. Such quantity of daily calendars as ordered by the chief clerk of each house shall be reproduced. The format of the calendars shall for each house be as provided in the rules of that house or as directed by the committee on organization of that house.

[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 73. Daily journals. (1) The chief clerk of each house shall prepare and transmit for reproduction after the close of each daily session its daily journal.

(2) The journals shall contain a concise description of the business conducted by each house. Any proposal shall be identified in the journal by number and relating clause on introduction, when reported by the standing committee, when first considered on any legislative day, or after significant business relating to another subject has intervened. All other journal references to the proposal shall be by number only. Either house may order any other of its proceedings included in its journal.

(3) All executive messages to the legislature, except veto messages, shall be included in the senate journal only. Executive pardon communications or reports, reports of the claims board under section 16.007 of the statutes and reports of lobbyist registrations required by section 13.685 (7) of the statutes shall be included in the senate journal. The report of a joint committee shall be included in the journal of the house in which the resolution or act creating the committee originated. Joint resolutions and amendments to bills and joint resolutions shall not be included in the journal except as required by section 1 of article XII of the constitution.

(4) The presiding officer of each house shall cause notice of receipt of any proposed administrative rule under section 227.19 of the statutes to be included in the journal of the house, together with a notice of the standing committee to which the proposed rule is referred and the date of referral. The presiding officer shall cause a similar notice to be included whenever a proposed rule is withdrawn.

(5) Copies of the daily journal of each house shall be reproduced and delivered on the morning of the business day next following the session whose proceedings are reproduced.

*[(4) cr; (5)&(6) rn. 1981 SJR-1]
[(2),(3),(5)&(6) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)to(5) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 74. Journals in book form. (1) Within 60 days next following the close of any session of the legislature, the chief clerk of each house shall prepare the matter for its daily journal, which is required by the order of such house to be included therein; and any other matter, not already included in either journal, which is required to be included by joint action of the legislature, shall be prepared and transmitted by the chief clerk of the house in which such action originated.

(2) One hundred copies shall be reproduced and bound. The journals for both houses shall be bound in cloth. The journals of regular, extraordinary and special sessions may be

bound together in the same volumes if the extraordinary or special session is called before the journals of the regular sessions have been bound; if not so bound the journals of both houses for the extraordinary or special session shall be bound together. Distribution of such copies shall be as follows:

- (a) The chief clerk of each house — 10 each.
- (b) The journal and records clerks of each house of the next succeeding legislature — 1 each.
- (c) The state historical society — for its own use, such number as is requested, not to exceed 5. For interstate exchange, 49.
- (d) The legislative reference bureau — 10.
- (e) The secretary of state — 1.
- (f) The remaining reproduced and bound copies to be distributed by the department of administration at the department's discretion, upon application to the department.

*[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)&(2)(intro.)&(f) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 75. Schedule of committee activities. (1) The chief clerk of each house shall, before the beginning of each week, prepare and have reproduced a schedule of committee activities scheduled for such week by Monday noon of the preceding week.

(2) The schedule of committee activities shall contain an index by proposal or administrative rule number, date, hour and committee; shall set forth the name of each standing or special committee, its chairperson, the room number or place and the time and date of each hearing scheduled under sub. (1); and shall designate each proposal or administrative rule to be heard by number, author and topic.

(3) The schedule of committee activities may announce all meetings to be held by the joint committee on finance, by the legislative council or by committees of the legislative council.

(4) The schedule of committee activities may announce all hearings to be held by the joint committee for review of administrative rules, the joint legislative audit committee, the building commission, the joint committee on employment relations, the joint committee on information policy and technology, the transportation projects commission, the retirement research committee, the state-supported programs study and advisory committee, or by any legislative joint survey committee.

*[(1)&(2) am; (3)&(4) cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1) am. 1997 AJR-1]
[(4) am. 1999 AJR-18]*

JOINT RULE 76. Bulletins of senate and assembly proceedings. (1) After the 3rd week of the biennial session, there shall be published at convenient intervals a "Bulletin of Proceedings". The senate and assembly parts shall each be published under the direction of the respective chief clerk and the index part shall be published as provided in joint rule 77. The senate and assembly parts shall each contain a directory of the officers, members and committees of the legislature. The senate and assembly parts shall contain the

complete history of legislative action on the bills, joint resolutions, resolutions and petitions originating in that house; in addition, the senate part shall contain the history of senate action on gubernatorial nominations for appointment.

(2) The chief clerk of each house shall supervise the completion of an up-to-date record of the actions by that house on all bills and joint resolutions and of the actions on resolutions originating in that house. The chief clerk shall publish the record for all measures originating in that house as soon as completed.

*[(1),(2)&(3) am. 1981 SJR-1]
[(1) am. 1981 SJR-32]
[(title),(1)&(2) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 77. Index to bulletin of proceedings. The index to the bulletin of proceedings shall be prepared by the legislative reference bureau. The index shall contain:

(1) A subject index to legislation, showing a brief description of each bill, joint resolution, resolution or petition, and may contain a brief description of such amendments as materially alter the subject content of a proposal.

(2) A senate and an assembly author index to legislation. In the author indexes, the brief description of each proposal shall be shown routinely only under the first and second author, and under the first cosponsor, of each proposal. For additional authors and cosponsors, the proposal shall be listed in the author index by number only.

(3) Author indexes to proposals introduced by committees, or by the entire membership of one or both houses.

(4) A subject index to the legislative journals, which includes an alphabetical index by name to lobbyists' principals and an alphabetical list of the names of registered lobbyists and, in conjunction with each name, the principals represented by each lobbyist.

(7) A subject index to Wisconsin Acts and enrolled proposals.

(8) A numeric listing of statute sections and prior session laws or acts affected by current Wisconsin Acts and enrolled proposals.

(9) An index to constitutional amendments, including the full text of all constitutional amendments ratified by the people since the last publication of the statutes.

*[(7)&(8) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(4),(5)&(6) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(intro.)&(4) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 78. Bulletin and index to actions concerning proposed administrative rules. The administrative rules bulletin of proceedings shall be prepared jointly by the chief clerks of the 2 houses, the legislative council staff and the legislative reference bureau. The bulletin shall contain a history of each transaction affecting a proposed administrative rule received under section 227.15 (1) of the statutes, prepared by the chief clerk of each house. It shall also contain a subject index, and an author index by agency of any proposed administrative rule received under section 227.15 (1) of the statutes, prepared by the legislative reference bureau. A replacement or supplement to the administrative rules volume shall be published at least once every month.

*[cr. 1981 SJR-1]
[am. 1981 SJR-32]*

[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[am. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 79. Biennial record continuity; special sessions. For each session biennium the chief clerks of the 2 houses and the legislative reference bureau shall, and the offices of the governor and secretary of state are requested to, treat the legislative documents of the regular session and of any special sessions convened by the governor during that biennium in the following manner:

(1) **DRAFTING REQUESTS.** The legislative reference bureau shall number all drafting requests received by it in a continuing sequence throughout each legislative biennium. Separate sequences may be used to distinguish proposals, substitute amendments, simple amendments to proposals other than the budget bill, floor amendments to proposals, and drafts for incorporation into the budget bill or any amendments thereto.

(2) **BILL JACKETS.** When jacketing drafted proposals for consideration in a special session, the legislative reference bureau shall identify each page of the draft, as well as the bill jacket itself, by the month in which a specific special session begins.

(3) **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.** For each special session, the chief clerks shall number the bills, joint resolutions or resolutions in a new sequence, beginning with the number "1" for each type of document.

(4) **JOURNALS.** The daily journals for each special session shall be identified as journals of the legislature meeting in special session, but shall be filed in consecutive order, by date, together with the journals recording the action in regular session throughout the legislative biennium. When the legislature, at different times within a single calendar day, conducts the business of the regular session as well as business under the governor's special session call, the actions may be recorded in a single journal for that day but actions under the special session call shall be clearly identified as actions of the legislature meeting in special session.

(5) **BULLETIN OF PROCEEDINGS.** The history of legislative action on all measures offered in special sessions shall be published in a single chapter for each special session, at the end of the senate and assembly parts of the bulletin of proceedings. In the subject and author indexes of the index to the bulletin of proceedings, special session legislation shall be indexed, together with regular session legislation, into a single subject- and author-heading sequence.

(6) **WISCONSIN ACTS.** The office of the governor is requested and the chief clerks of the senate and assembly are directed to number all Wisconsin Acts enacted throughout a single biennial session period, whether enacted in regular or in special session, into a single consecutive act number sequence.

[rn. from Jt. Rule 78, 1981 SJR-1]
[(intro), (1)&(6) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(1)&(5) am. 1997 AJR-1]

Chapter 9: SESSION SCHEDULE

JOINT RULE 81. Scheduled floor periods and committee work. (1) Each biennial session period begins and ends on the first Monday in January of the odd-numbered year, as follows:

(a) The incoming legislature shall convene in the capitol at 2 p.m. to take the oath of office, select officers and do all other things necessary to organize itself for the conduct of its business, but if the first Monday in January falls on January 1 or 2, the organizational meeting shall be held on January 3.

(b) Each biennial session period shall be structured into floorperiods, committee work periods and an interim committee work period, and shall include at least one meeting of the legislature in January of each year.

(c) Early in each biennial session, the joint committee on legislative organization shall offer a joint resolution setting forth the session schedule for that biennium. The joint resolution is amendable and shall, when approved by both houses, constitute the session schedule for that biennium unless later changed by action of the 2 houses.

(2) Each scheduled floorperiod shall be held as set forth in the session schedule. Any floorperiod may be extended or convened or recessed on a date earlier than the date specified in the session schedule, as follows:

(a) The extension of a floorperiod through earlier convening or later adjournment, or the convening of an extraordinary session, may be authorized at the direction of a majority of the members of the committee on organization in each house or by the passage of a joint resolution on the approval by a majority of the members elected to each house, or by the joint petition of a majority of the members elected to each house.

(b) Any extended floorperiod or extraordinary session shall be limited to the business specified in the action by which it is authorized.

(c) Following the official call of any special or extraordinary session, the joint committee on employment relations or on legislative organization, the committees on organization in each house, and any committee of either house so authorized under the rules thereof, may offer for introduction proposals germane to the call, and such proposals may be numbered, referred to committee and reproduced in advance of the special or extraordinary session under the customary procedures of each house.

(3) Any day of the legislative biennium not reserved by the session schedule to conduct an organizational meeting or to be part of a scheduled floorperiod of the legislature is available for committee work, but:

(a) Any such day may be assigned to an extended floorperiod or extraordinary session as authorized under sub. (2).

(b) The committee on senate organization may designate a committee work day for senate action on gubernatorial nominations for appointment, whether or not that day was already assigned as a session day under par. (a).

(4) The biennial session schedule shall specify the final date on which the chief clerks of the 2 houses shall submit to the office of the governor all bills approved by the 2 houses before that date.

*[(2)&(3) am; (4) rn. 1979 AJR-1]
[am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(2)(intro)&(3) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(3)(b) cr. 1993 SJR-1]
[(1)(intro.)&(2)(c) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 82. **Veto review session.** The biennial session schedule shall provide for a 3-day veto review session no later than June 30 of the even-numbered year.

(1) The veto review session shall be a floorperiod limited to action on:

(a) Gubernatorial vetoes or partial vetoes.

(b) Pending nominations for appointments requiring senate confirmation.

(c) Revisor's correction or revision bills.

(d) Reconciliation bills introduced by the organization committee of either house that resolve conflicts between mutually inconsistent acts of the legislative session and proposals recalled for further legislative action under joint rule 60 (2).

(e) Bills introduced by the joint committee on employment relations for the ratification of state employe collective bargaining contracts under section 111.92 (1) of the statutes.

(f) Resolutions or joint resolutions introduced by the committee on organization of either house.

(g) Bills or joint resolutions specified under joint rule 83 (4) (b).

(2) (a) Any vetoes not previously on a calendar in the house of origin shall be shown as pending business on the calendar for the veto review session's first day.

(b) Any veto required to be scheduled under par. (a) that does not receive final action during the veto review session shall be deemed sustained. The disposition shall be recorded as "failed to pass notwithstanding the objections of the governor".

(3) Any veto received from the other house for concurrence notwithstanding the objections of the governor may be taken up immediately.

(4) The action of either house on the motion to pass a bill, or part thereof, notwithstanding the objections of the governor may in no case be subject to a motion for reconsideration.

[(1) rn.am. from Jt.Rule 81(4); (2) cr. 1979 AJR-1]

[(1)(d) cr. 1981 SJR-1]

[(2)(b) cr. 1987 AJR-1]

[(1) am; (3)&(4) cr. 1987 SJR-48]

[(1)(d) am. 1989 AJR-24]

[(1)(e) rn. (1)(f); new (1)(e) cr. 1993 SJR-1]

[(1)(g) cr. 1997 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 83. **Introduction and disposition of proposals.** (1) During any scheduled floorperiod the introduction and disposition of bills, joint resolutions, resolutions and amendments thereto, and of certificates under joint rule 7, shall in each house be governed by the rules thereof.

(2) During any period of committee work preceding the final general-business floorperiod scheduled for the spring of the even-numbered year, but not following the conclusion of that floorperiod:

(a) The chairperson of any standing committee on behalf of that standing committee, any legislator, and the chairperson of any special committee on behalf of that special

committee and within the special committee's scope, may deposit with the chief clerk of the legislator's house any original bill, joint resolution or resolution or amendments to or substitute amendments for pending proposals whether introduced prior to or during the committee work period.

(b) The presiding officer of each house may refer to a standing committee any new proposal introduced under par. (a).

(c) The chief clerk of each house shall receive, number and cause to be reproduced all original proposals offered in compliance with par. (a), but no such proposal may be reproduced until it has been referred under par. (b). The chief clerk of each house shall similarly receive, number, cause to be reproduced, and forward to the appropriate committee, all amendments and substitute amendments received under par. (a).

(3) Any bill, joint resolution or resolution on which final action has not been taken at the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod in the odd-numbered year shall be carried forward to the even-numbered year.

(4) (a) At the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod scheduled for the spring of the even-numbered year, any bill or joint resolution not yet agreed to by both houses, and any resolution not yet passed by the house of origin, shall be deemed adversely disposed of for the biennial session and recorded as "failed to pass", "failed to adopt" or "failed to concur", except as provided in par. (b).

(b) Any bill or joint resolution not yet agreed to by both houses at the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod is not adversely disposed of if the bill or joint resolution has been passed by one house and concurred in, as amended, by the other house.

(5) Following the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod scheduled for the spring of the even-numbered year, no further regular session proposals may be introduced for the balance of the legislative biennium, but nothing in this rule may be interpreted as limiting the introduction of proposals under joint rules 81 (2) (c) and 82 (1), required for the conduct of any special session called by the governor, of any extraordinary session called by the legislature or of the veto review session, or the continued consideration of any proposal during any extended floorperiod.

*[rn. from Jt. Rule 82, 1979 AJR-1]
[(1),(2),(4)&(5) am. 1987 AJR-1]
[(3) r.cr. 1987 AJR-1]
[(2)(intro) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(2)(c) am. 1997 AJR-1]
[(4)(a) rn. from (4), 1997 AJR-1]
[(4)(b) cr. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 84. Committees continue throughout biennium. Every standing committee and, unless otherwise ordered, every special committee of one or both houses, shall continue throughout the entire session biennium of the legislature creating the committee. Any such committee may:

(1) **MEETINGS.** Meet, on call of the chairperson, in the capitol. As authorized by section 13.123 (3) (a) of the statutes, any committee may, with the prior consent of the committee on senate organization in the case of senate committees or of all of the officers required by assembly rule in the case of assembly committees, meet at such other locations throughout this state as the chairperson shall announce. Each committee meeting shall be given due

public notice. No such committee may schedule an executive session outside the capitol unless such executive session is held in conjunction with a public meeting of the committee.

(2) PUBLIC NOTICE. In compliance with the appropriate senate and assembly rules, hold public hearings and executive sessions and conduct any other committee business on the proposals which have been referred to the committee.

(3) STUDIES, INVESTIGATIONS AND REVIEWS. Conduct, on instruction by the appropriate house or on the motion of the chairperson with majority vote approval by the committee, studies, investigations and reviews, within the subject matter area customarily within the purview of the respective committee, regarding any matter which may then be appropriate to legislative inquiry. In case of duplication or of overlapping areas of original inquiry the committee on senate organization in the case of senate committees, the speaker in the case of assembly committees, or the joint committee on legislative organization in the case of joint committees, shall define and delimit the subject matter area assigned to each committee and determine the scope of the inquiry conducted by each committee.

(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. Request the legislative council staff, legislative reference bureau and legislative fiscal bureau for the necessary technical assistance appropriate to the completion of the committee's tasks. The joint committee on legislative organization shall coordinate the assignment of staff under this subsection. Any chairperson who determines that the attendance of staff is necessary to the proper conduct of any meeting scheduled at a location other than the capitol may, with the prior authorization of the committee on senate organization in the case of a senate committee chairperson or the speaker in the case of an assembly committee chairperson, authorize the reimbursement of such staff for actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending the meeting, from the general program operations appropriation to the senate or assembly under section 20.765 (1) (a) or (b) of the statutes.

*[rn. from Jt. Rule 83, 1979 AJR-1]
[(1)&(4) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(2) am. 1991 SJR-1]
[(1) am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 85. Reimbursement for expenses. For any day on which a member of the legislature is in Madison on legislative business pursuant to section 13.123 (1) of the statutes or attends a legislative committee meeting in Madison, such member shall be reimbursed the per diem provided in section 13.123 (1) (a) of the statutes. Any legislator who attends a committee meeting outside Madison authorized under joint rule 84 (1) shall be reimbursed for the actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending such committee meeting as provided by section 13.123 (3) of the statutes, or for the round-trip cost of traveling to such meeting from Madison.

*[rn. from Jt. Rule 84, 1979 AJR-1]
[am. 1991 SJR-1]
[am. 1997 AJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 86. Continuation of employes during periods of committee work. During any period of committee work, the chief clerks and sergeants at arms of the 2 houses shall retain on their staffs only such employes as are necessary for the conduct of legislative business during that period. Prior to the commencement of the next succeeding

legislative session biennium, the chief clerk and the sergeant at arms of each house shall consult with the committee on organization of that house to determine the number of employes required for the commencement of that session. Employes who were laid off following the final (veto review) scheduled floorperiod of the current session shall be given preference in the filling of vacancies in anticipation of the commencement of the next succeeding session.

*[rn. from Jt.Rule 85, 1979 AJR-1]
[am. 1991 SJR-1]*

JOINT RULE 87. Recess duties of the chief clerk. Following the conclusion of any scheduled floorperiod, the chief clerk of each house shall:

(1) **MESSAGE FINAL ACTIONS.** Message to the other house all proposals originating in the other house and on which the chief clerk's house has taken final action. The chief clerk shall similarly message to the other house all proposals other than motions for certificates under joint rule 7 originating in the chief clerk's house and requiring the consent of the other house and on which the chief clerk's house has taken final action. Any motion under joint rule 7 for a joint certificate of commendation, congratulation or condolence, adopted by one house and already signed by the cosponsor from the other house, shall be treated as though it had been adopted by both houses, but any such motion adopted by one house only and lacking the signature of the cosponsor from the other house shall be treated as though it had been offered as a motion for a certificate by one house only.

(2) **MAINTAIN RECORDS.** Enter on the records of the chief clerk's house all messages received and customarily entered on such records, whether such messages emanate from the other house, the office of the governor or from any other source.

(3) **COMMITTEE SCHEDULES AND JOURNALS.** Compile and cause to be published:

(a) In cooperation between the 2 houses, a periodic joint schedule of committee activities. Such schedule shall give adequate notice of all committee meetings scheduled. If the number of hearings scheduled is low, the chief clerks may jointly decide to publish the committee schedules at biweekly or greater intervals.

(b) Such journals as are necessary, showing the chief clerk's entries for all business received by the chief clerk's office during the recess.

(c) In cooperation with the legislative reference bureau, the following editions of the bulletin of proceedings under joint rules 76 and 77:

1. A complete edition, cumulative through the recess date of each floorperiod including the veto review session, to be published as expeditiously as possible after each such date. When the chief clerk of the senate, the chief clerk of the assembly and the chief of the legislative reference bureau conclude that such edition will not be superseded by a new complete edition for at least 3 weeks, they may jointly direct that the number of bulletins reproduced for such edition be increased to the number necessary to satisfy the anticipated demand during the period of the edition's anticipated life span.

2. Supplements to any complete cumulative edition issued under subd. 1., to be published biweekly or at other convenient intervals determined by the amount of new information to be published. The content of any supplement edition may be limited to the updating of certain parts of the bulletin of proceedings.

3. A complete edition, cumulative through the Saturday preceding the commencement date of the next floorperiod or veto review session. A complete edition shall likewise be published if necessary to facilitate the work of a special session.

4. A final complete edition, cumulative through December 31 of the even-numbered year.

*[rn. from Jt. Rule 86, 1981 SJR-1]
[(2)&(3) am. 1987 SJR-48]
[(3)(c) 1.&2. am. 1997 AJR-1]*

Chapter 10: LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES

JOINT RULE 91. Compensation and classification plan. Unless otherwise specifically provided, all legislative employees shall be paid in accordance with the compensation and classification plan adopted by the joint committee on legislative organization. If the joint committee does not adopt a compensation and classification plan, the committee on organization of either house may adopt a plan for the employees of that house. Appointments shall be for the legislative session, unless earlier terminated by the appointing officer.

[am. 1987 SJR-48]

JOINT RULE 92. Retirement system agents for legislative employees. The chief clerks of the senate and of the assembly are designated to act in matters pertaining to the retirement system for the members and employees of their respective houses as required by section 40.02 (36) of the statutes. In matters relating to the chief clerks, the president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly shall act.

*[am. 1981 SJR-1]
[am. 1987 SJR-48]*

Chapter 11: JOINT RULES

JOINT RULE 96. Rescinding, amending, or suspending rules. (1) The joint rules of the legislature may be rescinded or changed only with the approval of a majority of the actual membership of each house. The vote shall be taken by ayes and noes.

(2) Any proposal to rescind or change a joint rule shall be introduced as a joint resolution stating the proposed change. Except as authorized by unanimous consent or by vote of two-thirds of the members present, the joint resolution shall not be acted upon in either house until the joint resolution has been made available to the members for 24 hours.

(3) Any joint rule may be suspended in either house by vote of two-thirds of the members present. The vote shall be determined by ayes and noes unless unanimous consent is given.

*[am. 1987 AJR-1]
[(2) am. 1999 AJR-18]*

JOINT RULE 97. Continuity of joint rules. These rules shall remain in effect until amended or superseded, and shall continue in effect at the beginning of any succeeding

regular session of the legislature until superseded by the joint rules adopted by that legislature.

[am. 1987 AJR-1]

JOINT RULE 98. Publishing of joint rules. (1) Within one week after the adoption and concurrence of any joint resolution significantly changing the joint rules, the chief clerk of the house of origin shall direct the reproduction of a new pamphlet incorporating the entire text of the joint rules as affected by that joint resolution unless, in the judgment of the president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly, additional rule changes may soon be agreed to by the 2 houses.

(2) (a) The chief clerk shall make the spelling and other minor corrections authorized by joint rule 56 and shall consult with the legislative reference bureau to make any references to provisions of the constitution, statutes, joint rules, senate rules or assembly rules conform to the numbers then assigned to such provisions.

(b) Each pamphlet edition shall contain a revised table of contents and index prepared by the legislative reference bureau.

(c) Each pamphlet edition shall also contain the biennial session schedule adopted under section 13.02 (3) of the statutes.

(3) The chief clerk of each house shall supervise the reproduction of the joint rules for insertion into the assembly and senate manuals.

(4) As directed by the chief clerk of the house of origin, any joint resolution amending the joint rules may be enrolled and may be duplicated for distribution.

[cr. 1987 SJR-48]
[(2)(c) cr. 1989 AJR-24]
[(1),(2)(b)&(3) am. 1997 AJR-1]

1999-2000 SESSION SCHEDULE

As Concurred in March 2, 1999

To create the session schedule for the 1999-2000 biennial session period.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:

SECTION 1. 1999-2000 Session schedule. (1) **BIENNIAL SESSION PERIOD.** The legislature declares that the biennial session period of the 1999 Wisconsin legislature began on Monday, January 4, 1999, and that the biennial session period ends at 12 noon on Monday, January 1, 2001.

(2) **SCHEDULED FLOORPERIODS AND COMMITTEE WORK PERIODS.** (a) *Unreserved days.* Unless reserved under this subsection as a day to conduct an organizational meeting or to be part of a scheduled floorperiod of the legislature, every day of calendar years 1999 and 2000 is designated as a day for committee activity and is available to extend a scheduled floorperiod, convene an extraordinary session or take senate action on appointments as permitted by joint rule 81.

(b) *Inauguration.* Pursuant to section 13.02 (1) of the statutes, the inauguration of the members of the 1999 legislature, and the organizing for business of the 2 houses, commences at 2 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 1999.

(c) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Thursday, January 14, 1999, at 10 a.m., and ends on Thursday, January 14, 1999.

(d) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, January 26, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, January 28, 1999.

(e) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, February 16, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, February 18, 1999.

(f) *Budget deadline extended.* The deadline of Tuesday, January 26, 1999, set by section 16.45 of the statutes for introduction of the executive budget bill or bills, submittal of the state budget report and delivery of the governor's budget message, is extended to Thursday, February 18, 1999.

(g) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, March 2, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, March 4, 1999.

(h) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, March 16, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, March 25, 1999.

(i) *Bills to governor.* No later than Thursday, April 22, 1999, at 4:30 p.m., the chief clerk of each house shall submit to the governor for executive action thereon all enrolled bills originating in the chief clerk's house and having been passed by both houses, in regular, extraordinary or special session, on or before April 16, 1999.

(j) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, May 11, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Wednesday, June 30, 1999, but this floorperiod may not be adjourned until the general fund executive budget bill has been passed by both houses.

(k) *Bills to governor.* No later than Thursday, August 12, 1999, at 4:30 p.m., the chief clerk of each house shall submit to the governor for executive action thereon all enrolled

bills originating in the chief clerk's house and having been passed by both houses, in regular, extraordinary or special session, on or before August 6, 1999.

(L) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, September 30, 1999.

(m) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, October 26, 1999, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, November 11, 1999.

(n) *Bills to governor.* No later than Thursday, December 16, 1999, at 4:30 p.m., the chief clerk of each house shall submit to the governor for executive action thereon all enrolled bills originating in the chief clerk's house and having been passed by both houses, in regular, extraordinary or special session, on or before December 10, 1999.

(o) *Floorperiod.* A floorperiod commences on Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, February 10, 2000.

(p) *Last general-business floorperiod.* The last general-business floorperiod commences on Tuesday, March 7, 2000, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, March 30, 2000.

(q) *Limited-business floorperiod.* A floorperiod, limited to bills and joint resolutions not yet agreed to by both houses at the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod scheduled for the spring of the even-numbered year and which have been passed by one house and concurred in, as amended, by the other house, or for which a committee of conference has been appointed by the houses, commences on Tuesday, May 2, 2000, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Thursday, May 4, 2000.

(r) *Bills to governor.* No later than Thursday, May 11, 2000, at 4:30 p.m., the chief clerk of each house shall submit to the governor for executive action thereon all enrolled bills originating in the chief clerk's house and having been passed by both houses, in regular, extraordinary or special session, on or before May 5, 2000.

(s) *Veto review floorperiod.* A floorperiod, limited, notwithstanding joint rule 82 (1) (g), to matters allowed under joint rule 82 (1) (a) to (f), commences on Tuesday, May 23, 2000, at 10 a.m., and, unless adjourned earlier, ends on Wednesday, May 24, 2000.

(t) *Bills to governor.* No later than Thursday, June 1, 2000, at 4:30 p.m., the chief clerk of each house shall submit to the governor for executive action thereon all enrolled bills originating in the chief clerk's house and having been passed by both houses, in regular, extraordinary or special session, on or before May 26, 2000.

(3) INTERIM PERIOD OF COMMITTEE WORK; NO FURTHER INTRODUCTIONS. Upon the adjournment of the May veto review floorperiod, there shall be an interim period of committee work ending on Monday, January 1, 2001. Unless the legislature is convened in one or more extraordinary or special sessions, no additional 1999 legislation may be offered during this interim period of committee work.

(4) END OF TERM. The biennial term of the 1999 legislature ends on the first Monday of January (January 1) in 2001. Pursuant to section 13.02 (1) of the statutes, the inauguration of the members of the 2001 legislature will be on Wednesday, January 3, 2001.

SECTION 2. Notice of 2001 session organization. Notice is hereby given that the biennial session of the 2001 legislature will hold its first meeting, pursuant to section 13.02 (1) of the statutes, on Wednesday, January 3, 2001, and that the meeting will begin at 2 p.m.

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