2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 69

November 29, 2007 – Introduced by Senator Risser, cosponsored by Representative Huebsch. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

To amend joint rule 52 (1) (e), joint rule 52 (5) (a), joint rule 59, joint rule 60 (1), joint rule 64 (1) (a), joint rule 81m (2) (a) and joint rule 82 (1) (c); relating to: transferring duties of the revisor of statutes to the legislative reference bureau.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This joint resolution transfers, in the joint rules, all duties of the revisor of statutes to the Legislative Reference Bureau. The Revisor of Statutes Bureau is eliminated on December 31, 2007.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:

Section 1. Joint rule 52 (1) (e) is amended to read:

Joint Rule 52 (1) (e) Executive budget bills under section 16.47 (1) of the statutes, other lengthy bills that encompass multiple subjects and that are to be introduced at the request of the governor or the committee on organization of either house, 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 revisor's 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:....”

SECTION 2. Joint rule 52 (5) (a) is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 52 (5) (a) Reconciliation bills introduced by the organization
committee of either house and revisor’s correction or revisor’s revision bills.

SECTION 3. Joint rule 59 is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 59. Explanative notes. In addition to such notes as are required
by law or joint rule, explanatory notes may be included in revision and correction bills
prepared by the revisor of statutes legislative reference bureau, in reconciliation bills
introduced by the committee on organization of either house, and in proposals
introduced or offered 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. The 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 proposal or
amendment to which they relate. Notes shall appear in the original reproduced
version of the proposal or amendment only, and shall not appear in the Wisconsin
Acts or session law volumes, or statutes 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. The notes constitute no part of
the proposed act or engrossed or enrolled resolution.

SECTION 4. Joint rule 60 (1) is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 60 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), immediately after the passage
of any bill, or the adoption of and concurrence in 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 proposal originated. One copy shall be used as the enrolled bill that is presented to the governor or the enrolled resolution that is deposited with the secretary of state. 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.

SECTION 5. Joint rule 64 (1) (a) is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 64 (1) (a) Reconciliation bills introduced by the organization committee of either house or revisor’s correction or revisor’s revision bills.

SECTION 6. Joint rule 81m (2) (a) is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 81m (2) (a) Revisor’s correction or revisor’s revision bills.

SECTION 7. Joint rule 82 (1) (c) is amended to read:

JOINT RULE 82 (1) (c) Revisor’s correction or revisor’s revision bills.

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