



## 2001 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 15

January 25, 2001 - Introduced by Representatives JENSEN and FREESE,  
cosponsored by Senators CHVALA and RISSER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1       **To repeal** joint rule 7 (4) (d), joint rule 74 (2) (a) to (f), joint rule 82 (1) (g) and joint  
2       rule 83 (4) (b); **to renumber and amend** joint rule 3 and joint rule 83 (4) (a);  
3       **to amend** joint rule 1, joint rule 2, joint rule 5, joint rule 6, joint rule 7 (intro.),  
4       (1), (2) and (4) (intro.) and (a) to (c), joint rule 11 (1) and (2) (a), (c) and (d), joint  
5       rule 12 (1) and (2) (g), joint rule 14, joint rule 21, joint rule 22, joint rule 23, joint  
6       rule 27, joint rule 31 (1) (a), (c) and (d), (3) and (4), joint rule 32 (title), (1) (intro.),  
7       (b), (d) and (g) and (3), joint rule 33, joint rule 34, joint rule 35, joint rule 41 (3)  
8       (a) to (g), joint rule 42 (1) (a) and (2) to (4), joint rule 43, joint rule 44 (title) and  
9       (2) (a), joint rule 45, joint rule 46, joint rule 47, joint rule 49, joint rule 51 (intro.)  
10      and (2), joint rule 52 (intro.), (1) (c) and (d) 4. and (e), (4) (intro.), (5) (intro.), (a)  
11      and (b), (6) and (7), joint rule 53 (1) and (2) (f) and (m), joint rule 54, joint rule  
12      55, joint rule 56 (title), (1), (2) and (3) (b), joint rule 57 (2) (intro.) and (b), joint  
13      rule 59, joint rule 60 (title) and (1), joint rule 62, joint rule 63, joint rule 64 (1)  
14      (intro.), (a) and (b), joint rule 66 (2), joint rule 71, joint rule 72, joint rule 74 (1)  
15      and (2) (intro.), joint rule 75 (1) to (3), joint rule 76, joint rule 77 (1), joint rule

1 78, joint rule 79 (2), (3) and (5), joint rule 81 (1) (a) to (c), (2) (a) and (c), (3) (b)  
2 and (4), joint rule 82 (intro.), (1) (c) and (e), (2) and (4), joint rule 83 (1) to (3) and  
3 (5), joint rule 84 (1) to (4), joint rule 85, joint rule 86, joint rule 87 (1), (2) and  
4 (3) (a) and (c) 1., joint rule chapter 10 (title), joint rule 91, joint rule 92, joint rule  
5 97 and joint rule 98 (2) (a); and **to create** joint rule 3 (2), joint rule 3 (3), joint  
6 rule 10, joint rule 11 (3), joint rule 12 (3), joint rule 50, joint rule 51 (4), joint rule  
7 54 (2m), joint rule 81m and joint rule 99; **relating to:** the joint rules.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

*Joint Rules 1, 2, 3 (1) (a) to (d), 5, 6, 7 (intro.), (1), and (2), 11 (2) (a), (c), and (d), 12 (2) (g), 14, 21, 22, 23, 27, 31 (1) (a), (c), and (d), (3), and (4), 32 (title), (1) (intro.), (b), (d), and (g) and (3), 33, 34, 35, 41 (3) (b), 42 (1) (a), (3), and (4), 44 (title) and (2) (a), 46 (2), 47, 49, 51 (intro.), 52 (intro.), (1) (c) and (d) 4., (4) (intro.), (5) (intro.), (a), and (b), (6), and (7), 53 (1) and (2) (f) and (m), 54, 55, 56 (title), (1), (2), and (3) (b), 57 (2) (intro.) and (b), 59, 60 (title) and (1), 62, 63, 64 (1) (intro.), (a) and (b), 66 (2), 71, 72, 74 (1), 75 (1) to (3), 76, 77 (1), 78, 79 (2), (3), and (5), 81 (1) (a) to (c), (2) (a) and (c), (3) (b), and (4), 82 (intro.), (1) (c) and (e), (2), and (4), 83 (1) to (3), (4) (a), and (5), 84 (1) to (4), 85, 86, 87 (1), (2), and (3) (a) and (c) 1., chapter 10 (title), 91, 92, 97 and 98 (2) (a):* The rules are amended to: 1) change the spelling of “employee” to “employee,” to make the same change as was made in the statutes by 1999 Wisconsin Act 185, section 193; insert the serial comma after the next-to-last word in a series of three or more words to conform the rules to a change in statute drafting style made last session; change the reference to committees to reflect their new names; and modernize other language; 2) change wording so that the joint rules speak as of the time that they are applied, not as of the time that they were drafted; 3) update the joint rules for changes made in the statutes, session schedule, or the assembly or senate rules; 4) clarify that bills are introduced, but other legislation and motions are offered; and 5) make clarifying changes, which are intended to conform the rules to practice or the constitution, or eliminate ambiguity.

Some of these rules are also amended in the manner described below.

*Joint Rule 3 (1) (intro.):* This joint resolution requires that at least one member from each house be a member of the minority party. If one or more members of the minority party voted with the majority, only a member of the minority party who voted with the majority may be a member of the committee of conference.

*Joint Rule 3 (1) (a) and (2):* This joint resolution requires a committee of conference to meet on the call of either cochairperson.

*Joint Rule 3 (3):* This joint resolution provides that a report of a committee of conference may not be amended and may not be divided.

*Joint Rule 7:* The rule is amended to permit certificates under joint rule 7 for the purpose of extending the commendations, condolences, or congratulations of the legislature to a particular group, or organization, not just to a particular person. It is also amended to permit the format of the certificate to be changed by the chief clerks.

*Joint Rule 10:* The rule is created to state the general rule from the constitution that each house may determine the rules of its own proceedings and punish for contempt and disorderly behavior, as provided under section 8 of article IV of the constitution.

*Joint Rule 11 (3):* The rule is created to state the exception to the general rule from the constitution requiring a majority to take action, that a majority of those present, even though a smaller number than a majority of the current membership is present, may adjourn from day to day, and may compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such penalties as each house may provide, as provided under section 7 of article IV of the constitution.

*Joint Rule 12 (1):* The rule is amended to provide an exception to the general rule that all questions are decided by a majority of a quorum. The current rule provides that the exception applies when a higher total vote is required by the constitution. This joint resolution provides that the exception also applies if a different vote is required by the constitution, by law, or by legislative rule.

*Joint Rule 12 (3):* The rule is created to state the exception to the general rule from the constitution requiring a majority to take action, that one-sixth of the members present of either house are necessary to require that the yeas and nays of the members of that house on any question be entered on the journal, as provided under section 20 of article IV of the constitution.

*Joint Rules 41 (3) (a) to (g), 42 (2) and (4), 43, 45 (1) and (2), 46, 47, 48, and 50:* Under current statutes and joint rules, any bill making an appropriation and any bill increasing or decreasing existing appropriations or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues must, before any vote is taken thereon by either house of the legislature if the bill is not referred to a standing committee, or before any public hearing is held before any standing committee or, if no public hearing is held, before any vote is taken by the committee, incorporate a reliable estimate of the anticipated change in appropriation authority or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues under the bill, including to the extent possible a projection of such changes in future biennia.

These rules require that all transmissions of documents in the fiscal estimate process be transmitted electronically, rather than in paper form. A presiding officer, however, may permit a primary author to transmit a request for a supplemental fiscal estimate by other means, and the president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly acting jointly may permit the transmittal in paper form at any time.

These rules require that any legislative fiscal bureau memorandum on a bill referred to the joint committee on a finance, other than a budget bill, that the committee orders to be inserted in the bill jacket envelope, be transmitted electronically to all legislators.

These rules also eliminate the requirement that fiscal estimates be signed by a responsible official of the agency preparing the fiscal estimate.

*Joint Rules 44 (2) (a), 54 (1), (2), and (2m), and 79 (2):* The changes authorize the legislative reference bureau to enter into a written agreement with a chief clerk to have the chief clerk, when the house is in session, receive on the floor of the house copies of drafts of proposals and amendments transmitted electronically by the LRB and place the proposals in jacket envelopes and attach jacket cover sheets (stripes) to amendment drafts. To use the procedure, a member must request the electronic transmittal and waive confidentiality of the draft.

*Joint Rule 51 (2) and (4):* The parallel statute to joint rule 51, relating to drafting privileges at the legislative reference bureau, was changed in the 1997 session to remove drafting privileges from those agencies of Wisconsin state government that are not created in certain chapters of the statutes. This rule is changed to conform to that change in the statutes.

*Joint Rule 52 (1) (e):* This joint rule provides that the executive budget bill does not have a long, detailed relating clause. This provision is changed to also apply to 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.

*Joint Rule 81m:* The rule is created to require the session schedule to provide for a limited-business floorperiod after the last general-business floorperiod scheduled by the session schedule for the spring of the even-numbered year and before the veto review session in that year. The limited-business floorperiod is limited to action on revisor's correction or revisor's revision bills; 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); bills introduced by the joint committee on employment relations for the ratification of state employee collective bargaining contracts; and matters the purposes of which are allowed under joint rule 7.

*Joint Rule 83 (4) (b):* The rule is repealed to delete the requirement that 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, and that those proposals are considered at the veto review session.

*Joint Rule 99:* The rule creates definitions for the joint rules based on the definitions from Assembly Rule 95, modified to work with both houses.

- 1           ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:***
- 2           **SECTION 1.** Joint rule 1 is amended to read:
- 3           Joint Rule 1. **Joint convention.** Whenever there shall be is a joint convention
- 4           of the 2 houses, the president of the senate shall preside over ~~such~~ the joint

1 convention, if present, and the speaker of the assembly shall preside if the president  
2 is not present, and the chief clerk of the assembly shall act as clerk thereof, assisted  
3 by the chief clerk of the senate.

4 **SECTION 2.** Joint rule 2 is amended to read:

5 Joint Rule 2. **Receding from position on amendment.** Whenever an  
6 amendment has been nonconcurrent in by the other house, any member may move  
7 to recede from ~~such~~ the amendment. If the motion prevails ~~such~~ the amendment  
8 shall thereby be reconsidered and rejected and the bill or amendment to which ~~said~~  
9 the amendment had been adopted by the house shall thereby be passed or concurred  
10 in, as the case may be, so that ~~no further action shall be~~ is not required thereon in  
11 either house.

12 **SECTION 3.** Joint rule 3 is renumbered joint rule 3 (1) and amended to read:

13 Joint Rule 3 (1) In all cases of disagreement between the senate and assembly  
14 on amendments, adopted by either house to a bill or joint resolution passed by the  
15 other house, a committee of conference consisting of 3 members from each house may  
16 be requested by either house, and the other house shall appoint a similar committee.  
17 At least one member from each house shall be a member of the minority party. If one  
18 or more members of the minority party voted with the majority, only a member of the  
19 minority party who voted with the majority may be a member of the committee of  
20 conference.

21 (a) The usual manner of procedure is as follows: If a bill of one house has been  
22 amended and passed by the other house, and has been returned to the house of origin  
23 and ~~that~~ the house of origin has refused to concur in an amendment, ~~such~~ the house  
24 of origin may appoint a committee of conference and notify the other house, which  
25 shall appoint a committee of conference unless it votes to recede from its amendment.

1 Such committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer, but senate committees  
2 shall be confirmed as are standing committees as provided in the rules of each house.

3 The joint committee shall, at a convenient hour agreed upon, meet and state to each  
4 other, verbally orally or in writing, the reasons of their respective houses for or  
5 against the disagreement, and confer thereon, and shall report to their respective  
6 houses any agreement they arrive at by the vote of at least 2 a majority of the  
7 members of the committee representing each house.

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

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

17 (d) If the committee of conference committee is unable to agree, another  
18 committee of conference committee consisting of new members may be appointed as  
19 provided in the rules of each house and may proceed to further consideration of the  
20 proposal ~~or of amendments thereto.~~

21 **SECTION 4.** Joint rule 3 (2) is created to read:

22 Joint Rule 3 (2) A committee of conference shall meet on the call of either  
23 cochairperson.

24 **SECTION 5.** Joint rule 3 (3) is created to read:

1           Joint Rule 3 (3) A report of a committee of conference may not be amended and  
2 may not be divided.

3           **SECTION 6.** Joint rule 5 is amended to read:

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

11          **SECTION 7.** Joint rule 6 is amended to read:

12          Joint Rule 6. **Measure Proposal recalled from other house.** The recall of  
13 a ~~measure proposal~~ from outside the jurisdiction of the house requires the adoption  
14 of and concurrence in a joint resolution recalling the proposal.

15          **SECTION 8.** Joint rule 7 (intro.), (1), (2) and (4) (intro.) and (a) to (c) are amended  
16 to read:

17          Joint Rule 7. **Citations by the legislature.** (intro.) For the purpose of  
18 extending the commendations, condolences, or congratulations of the legislature to  
19 a particular person, group, or organization, or to recognize a particular event or  
20 occasion, there may be issued a "citation by the legislature." The approval of such  
21 the citations shall in each house be governed by the rules of that house.

22          (1) Citations may be used in place of resolutions for commendations,  
23 congratulations, or condolences to past or present state officials or other public  
24 figures, groups, or organizations, or to give recognition to an important event or  
25 occasion. Citations may not be used for procedural matters ~~nor~~ or in place of

1 resolutions memorializing the U.S. ~~congress~~ Congress, but only if appropriate to  
2 express the feeling of one house or of both houses of the legislature with reference  
3 to a person or to an event or occasion.

4 (2) Citations may not be used for matters of a an inappropriate, controversial,  
5 or partisan political nature.

6 (4) (intro.) The chief clerks of the 2 houses shall ~~cooperate with the legislative~~  
7 ~~reference bureau in designing~~ design a worksheet format for citations under this  
8 rule. ~~This worksheet shall contain spaces for the following information, which~~  
9 incorporates the following requirements:

10 (a) ~~The short title of the citation.~~

11 (b) ~~The signature of the sponsor in the house of origin and, if the citation is to~~  
12 ~~be issued by the entire legislature rather than by one house only, the signature of the~~  
13 ~~cosponsor from the 2nd house.~~ Citations shall contain the State Seal and signature  
14 blocks for the president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, and the chief clerk  
15 of the house of origin.

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

19 **SECTION 9.** Joint rule 7 (4) (d) is repealed.

20 **SECTION 10.** Joint rule 10 is created to read:

21 Joint Rule 10. **Each house determines its rules.** Each house may determine  
22 the rules of its own proceedings and punish for contempt and disorderly behavior, as  
23 provided under section 8 of article IV of the constitution.

24 **SECTION 11.** Joint rule 11 (1) and (2) (a), (c) and (d) are amended to read:



1 Joint Rule 11 (1) Unless a different and higher vote quorum is required by the  
2 state constitution for a specific action, a majority of the current membership  
3 constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, as provided under section 7 of  
4 article IV of the constitution.

5 (2) (a) Imposes, continues, or renews a tax.

6 (c) Makes, continues, or renews an appropriation of public or trust money.

7 (d) Releases, discharges, or commutes a claim or demand of the state.

8 **SECTION 12.** Joint rule 11 (3) is created to read:

9 Joint Rule 11 (3) A majority of those present, even though a smaller number  
10 than a majority of the current membership is present, may adjourn from day to day,  
11 and may compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such  
12 penalties as each house may provide, as provided under section 7 of article IV of the  
13 constitution.

14 **SECTION 13.** Joint rule 12 (1) and (2) (g) are amended to read:

15 Joint Rule 12 (1) Unless a different and higher total vote is required by the state  
16 constitution, by law, or by legislative rule, for a specific action, all questions are  
17 decided by a majority of a quorum.

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

20 **SECTION 14.** Joint rule 12 (3) is created to read:

21 Joint Rule 12 (3) One-sixth of the members present of either house are  
22 necessary to require that the yeas and nays of the members of that house on any  
23 question be entered on the journal, as provided under section 20 of article IV of the  
24 constitution.

25 **SECTION 15.** Joint rule 14 is amended to read:

1           Joint Rule 14. **Stationery; reproduction of legislative documents.** (1) All  
2 stationery purchased for the legislature shall be let by contract to the lowest  
3 responsible bidder, as provided under section 25 of article IV of the constitution.

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

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

19           **SECTION 16.** Joint rule 21 is amended to read:

20           Joint Rule 21. **Joint hearings of standing committees.** The chairpersons  
21 of corresponding committees of both houses or committees having corresponding  
22 proposals referred to them shall arrange joint hearings of their committees to  
23 consider ~~such~~ the proposals if, in their judgment, the business of the legislature and  
24 the convenience of the members and the public, who are interested in ~~such~~ the  
25 proposals, will be promoted thereby. The proposals to be considered, the time and

1 place of the hearings, who presides at the hearings, and any other matters  
2 convenient to the hearings may be agreed upon by the chairpersons. Joint hearings  
3 may also be arranged to consider a proposal introduced in only one house which will  
4 require consideration in both houses. ~~Such~~ The joint hearings shall take the place  
5 of separate hearings, and shall be final unless the house where the proposal is  
6 pending orders a further hearing before its own committee.

7 **SECTION 17.** Joint rule 22 is amended to read:

8 Joint Rule 22. **Cochairpersons of joint committees.** All standing or special  
9 joint committees shall have a senate and an assembly cochairperson. Any meeting  
10 of a joint committee shall be chaired by the cochairperson from the house ~~which~~ that  
11 referred the business then before the joint committee.

12 **SECTION 18.** Joint rule 23 is amended to read:

13 Joint Rule 23. **Joint committee on legislative organization.** (1) There is  
14 created a joint committee on legislative organization consisting of the speaker of the  
15 assembly, the president of the senate, the majority and minority leader of each house,  
16 and the assistant majority and minority leader of each house.

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

22 **SECTION 19.** Joint rule 27 is amended to read:

23 Joint Rule 27. **Committee hearings open to public.** Unless otherwise  
24 provided by law, every committee hearing, executive session, or other meeting shall  
25 be open to the public. If time permits, advance notice of every regularly scheduled

1 committee hearing, executive session, or other meeting shall be published as  
2 provided in joint rule 75.

3 **SECTION 20.** Joint rule 31 (1) (a), (c) and (d), (3) and (4) are amended to read:

4 Joint Rule 31 (1) (a) The date, time, place, and subject of each hearing, and of  
5 each meeting of the committee.

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

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

11 (3) Any member of a joint committee who is opposed to the committee's majority  
12 report may, at the time of the committee's final vote on the matter, notify the chair  
13 chairperson of his or her intent to file a minority report and may then file such the  
14 report with the chairperson no later than the 2nd business day after the vote. For any  
15 joint committee or committee of conference the committee report, including any  
16 minority report, may be provided to the members as decided by the presiding officer  
17 for each house.

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

1           **SECTION 21.** Joint rule 32 (title), (1) (intro.), (b), (d) and (g) and (3) are amended  
2 to read:

3           Joint Rule 32 (title) **Certification of passage of, or adoption of and**  
4 **concurrence in, proposals.** (1) (intro.) The chief clerk of each house shall  
5 supervise the entry of actions by that house in the history file for any ~~bill, joint~~  
6 ~~resolution, or resolution~~ proposal. The chief clerk of each house shall include the  
7 history entries in the jacket envelope before submitting the jacket to the chief clerk  
8 of the other house. The entries shall include the following:

9           (b) The name of the member, members, or committee introducing the proposal.

10           (d) The dates of introduction, reference to committee, and all subsequent  
11 actions pertaining to the proposal, including any motion to end debate of the  
12 proposal.

13           (g) The date and resolution number of any request, approved by that house, for  
14 an opinion of the attorney general, and the date on which such ~~the~~ the opinion was  
15 received.

16           (3) Each house shall provide by rule the manner by which the passage by or  
17 adoption of and concurrence in that house of ~~bills, joint resolutions, or resolutions~~  
18 ~~shall be~~ proposals are certified.

19           **SECTION 22.** Joint rule 33 is amended to read:

20           Joint Rule 33. **Book of enrolled bills.** (1) The chief clerk of each house shall  
21 keep a book in which the chief clerk enters the date on which any enrolled bill,  
22 originating in that house, is submitted to the governor for approval. The chief clerk's  
23 entry shall show the number of the bill, and shall be countersigned by an ~~employee~~  
24 employee of the office of the governor.

1           (2) ~~Such~~ The books shall similarly show the day of deposit in the office of the  
2 secretary of state of bills that become law without the signature of the governor, of  
3 bills passed notwithstanding the objections of the governor, and of resolutions  
4 required to be published.

5           **SECTION 23.** Joint rule 34 is amended to read:

6           Joint Rule 34. **Submittal of enrolled bills to governor.** After the an  
7 enrolled bill has been signed by the appropriate officer or officers certifying to its  
8 passage, it shall be presented, as provided in the session schedule or by other  
9 legislative rule, by the chief clerk of the house in which it originated to the office of  
10 the governor for approval.

11          **SECTION 24.** Joint rule 35 is amended to read:

12          JOINT RULE 35. **Assignment of enrolled joint resolution numbers.** The  
13 chief clerk, in cooperation with the secretary of state, shall assign an enrolled joint  
14 resolution number to any joint resolution amending the constitution and may assign  
15 an enrolled joint resolution number to any other joint resolution if the joint  
16 resolution originated in the chief clerk's house.

17          **SECTION 25.** Joint rule 41 (3) (a) to (g) are amended to read:

18          Joint Rule 41 (3) (a) The joint committee on finance by the approval of a  
19 majority of its members, or either cochairperson of the committee, may transmit  
20 electronically a request ~~from~~ for the legislative fiscal bureau, or through the  
21 department of administration ~~from~~ for an appropriate state agency, to prepare a  
22 supplemental fiscal estimate on any bill or on a bill as affected by any proposed  
23 amendment or proposed substitute amendment if the committee or cochairperson  
24 believes that the fiscal estimate on the bill, or on the bill as affected by the proposed  
25 amendment, would be substantially different from the fiscal estimate on the original

1 bill. A supplemental fiscal estimate prepared under this paragraph shall be  
2 submitted transmitted electronically to the legislative reference bureau for  
3 reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

4 (b) ~~At the~~ Upon a request of a bill's primary author, transmitted electronically  
5 unless directed otherwise by the presiding officer, the presiding officer of either  
6 house may transmit electronically a request through the department of  
7 administration ~~from~~ for an appropriate state agency to prepare a supplemental fiscal  
8 estimate on any bill, or on a bill as affected by any proposed amendment or proposed  
9 substitute amendment, if the presiding officer believes that the fiscal estimate on the  
10 bill, or on the bill as affected by the proposed amendment, would be substantially  
11 different from the fiscal estimate on the original bill. Unless otherwise determined  
12 by the house in which the bill may be placed on the calendar, failure to receive a  
13 supplemental fiscal estimate requested under this paragraph on a bill ~~which~~ that  
14 already has one or more original fiscal estimates shall not delay consideration of the  
15 bill. A supplemental fiscal estimate prepared under this paragraph shall be  
16 submitted transmitted electronically to the legislative reference bureau for  
17 reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

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

22 (d) In addition to the original estimates prepared by state agencies, the  
23 department of administration shall, if appropriate, ~~submit~~ transmit electronically  
24 to the legislative reference bureau, for review by the requester under joint rule 48  
25 and for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope, a consolidated fiscal

1 estimate summarizing all original fiscal estimates prepared by state agencies  
2 relating to a specific bill.

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

9 (f) The legislative fiscal bureau or the department of administration shall, if  
10 ~~requested~~ it receives an electronic request under joint rule 48 (3), prepare a  
11 supplemental fiscal estimate. If a supplemental fiscal estimate is requested  
12 electronically the fiscal bureau or the department shall ~~submit~~ transmit  
13 electronically the prepared supplemental fiscal estimate to the legislative reference  
14 bureau for reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

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

20 **SECTION 26.** Joint rule 42 (1) (a) and (2) to (4) are amended to read:

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



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

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

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

18           **SECTION 27.** Joint rule 43 is amended to read:

19           Joint Rule 43. **Reliable dollar estimate.** The estimate shall be factual in  
20 nature, and shall provide as reliable a dollar estimate as possible. The fiscal estimate  
21 shall contain a statement setting forth the assumptions used in arriving at the dollar  
22 estimate. Identification of technical or policy problems in the bill shall not be  
23 included in the estimate but should be ~~submitted~~ transmitted electronically and  
24 separately in a technical memorandum.

25           **SECTION 28.** Joint rule 44 (title) and (2) (a) are amended to read:

1           Joint Rule 44 (title) **Bill jackets to display “FE.”**

2           (2) (a) The preliminary determination of whether the bill requires a fiscal  
3 estimate shall be made by the legislative reference bureau, which, except as  
4 otherwise provided in joint rule 54 (2m), shall indicate that a bill requires a fiscal  
5 estimate displaying “FE” prominently on the jacket.

6           **SECTION 29.** Joint rule 45 is amended to read:

7           Joint Rule 45. **Duties of legislative reference bureau.** (1) After a proposed  
8 bill has been drafted the legislative reference bureau shall inform the requester that  
9 a fiscal estimate is required when it submits the draft to the requester. If authorized  
10 by the requester, the bureau shall promptly ~~submit such~~ transmit electronically the  
11 proposed bill to the department of administration for preparation of a fiscal estimate.  
12 The requester may introduce the bill without the fiscal estimate, but when such a bill  
13 is introduced the legislative reference bureau shall promptly ~~submit~~ transmit  
14 electronically a copy of the bill to the department of administration for preparation  
15 of a fiscal estimate. The legislative reference bureau shall keep a record of the date  
16 on which each bill is thus ~~submitted~~ transmitted electronically and its number.

17           (2) If the fiscal estimate is procured before the bill is introduced, the legislative  
18 reference bureau shall ~~submit~~ transmit electronically a copy of the estimate to the  
19 requester. If the requester desires to introduce the bill, the reference bureau shall  
20 place the estimate and any worksheet at the end of the bill or in the jacket envelope,  
21 and prepare the bill for introduction. The fiscal estimate and any worksheet shall  
22 be reproduced at the end of the bill or as an appendix as are amendments. If the fiscal  
23 estimate is ~~procured~~ transmitted electronically to the legislative reference bureau  
24 after the bill has been introduced, the legislative reference bureau shall ~~submit~~

1 transmit electronically a copy of the estimate and any worksheet to the primary  
2 author of the introduced bill as provided under joint rule 48.

3 **SECTION 30.** Joint rule 46 is amended to read:

4 Joint Rule 46. **Duties of department of administration and state**  
5 **agencies.** (1) The department of administration shall promptly review each bill  
6 received, determine all of the agencies ~~to which it~~ that shall be submitted for prepare  
7 a fiscal estimate, and ~~forward~~ transmit electronically the fiscal estimate request to  
8 ~~such~~ those agencies, keeping a record of the date of ~~submission~~ electronic  
9 transmission to and electronic receipt from the agencies and the number of the bill.

10 (2) The state agency shall prepare ~~an original typed copy~~ of the estimate and  
11 of any worksheet and such copies as are specified by the department of  
12 administration. It shall ~~return~~ transmit electronically the estimate and any  
13 worksheet and the bill within 5 working days to the department of administration  
14 unless the department of administration, under joint rule 42 (3), extends the period  
15 for the preparation of the estimate. The department of administration shall notify  
16 electronically the state agency of any bill not ~~returned~~ transmitted electronically to  
17 the department of administration within the deadline.

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

21 (4) The department of administration shall, when requested under joint rule  
22 48 (3), prepare a supplemental fiscal estimate, and shall ~~submit~~ transmit  
23 electronically the supplemental fiscal estimate to the legislative reference bureau for  
24 reproduction and insertion in the bill jacket envelope.

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

7           **SECTION 31.** Joint rule 47 is amended to read:

8           Joint Rule 47. **Duties of joint committee on finance.** The joint committee  
9 on finance may, by the vote of a majority of its members, direct that any legislative  
10 fiscal bureau memorandum on a bill referred to the committee, other than a budget  
11 bill, be inserted in the bill jacket envelope. If the committee so directs, a an electronic  
12 copy of the memorandum shall be ~~distributed~~ transmitted electronically to all  
13 legislators and to the legislative reference bureau.

14           Joint Rule 48. **Review of agency prepared fiscal estimates.** (1) On the 6th  
15 working day after the legislative reference bureau ~~submits~~ transmits electronically  
16 a copy of a fiscal estimate for an introduced bill to the primary author, the bureau  
17 shall ~~forward copies~~ transmit electronically a copy of the fiscal estimate and any  
18 worksheet to the legislative fiscal bureau and to the chief clerk of the house of origin  
19 to be inserted in the bill jacket envelope and shall forthwith cause the ~~original, signed~~  
20 ~~copy of the~~ estimate and any worksheet to be reproduced as are amendments.

21           (2) During the 5-day period under sub. (1), the primary author of an introduced  
22 bill may transmit electronically a request that an original fiscal estimate for the bill  
23 as affected by ~~an introduced or an unIntroduced~~ a proposed amendment or an  
24 ~~introduced or unIntroduced~~ a proposed substitute amendment, whether offered for

1 ~~introduction or not,~~ be prepared by the agency ~~which~~ that prepared the fiscal  
2 estimate for the bill.

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

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

16 **SECTION 32.** Joint rule 49 is amended to read:

17 Joint Rule 49. **Bills not conforming.** (1) Any member may at any time that  
18 a bill is before the house raise the issue that ~~such~~ the bill requires a fiscal estimate,  
19 and if the presiding officer determines that ~~such~~ the bill (not having ~~such~~ the  
20 estimate) requires an estimate, the presiding officer shall direct the legislative  
21 reference bureau to secure the requisite estimate.

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

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

4 **SECTION 33.** Joint rule 50 is created to read:

5 Joint Rule 50. **Waiver of requirement to transmit electronically.** The  
6 president and speaker may jointly waive for a limited time any requirement under  
7 joint rules 41, 43, 45, 46, 47, and 48 for electronic transmission and permit, instead,  
8 transmission in paper form.

9 **SECTION 34.** Joint rule 51 (intro.) and (2) are amended to read:

10 Joint Rule 51. **Use of LRB legal services.** (intro.) No ~~measure~~ proposal may  
11 be introduced or offered for introduction unless it has been put in proper form by the  
12 legislative reference bureau. Only the persons authorized by this rule may use the  
13 drafting services of the legislative reference bureau to have ~~measures~~ proposals  
14 prepared for introduction. Persons authorized to use such the drafting services are:

15 (2) Any agency of ~~Wisconsin state government,~~ as defined in section 16.70 (1)  
16 of the statutes, created under chapter 13, 14, 15, or 758 of the statutes.

17 **SECTION 35.** Joint rule 51 (4) is created to read:

18 Joint Rule 51 (4) A party caucus of either house of the legislature.

19 **SECTION 36.** Joint rule 52 (intro.), (1) (c) and (d) 4. and (e), (4) (intro.), (5) (intro.),  
20 (a) and (b), (6) and (7) are amended to read:

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

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

5 (d) 4. Making, continuing, or renewing an appropriation.

6 (e) Executive budget bills under section 16.47 (1) of the statutes, other lengthy  
7 bills that encompass multiple subjects and that are to be introduced at the request  
8 of the governor or the committee on organization of either house, bills proposing bulk  
9 revision of one or more entire chapters of the statutes, reconciliation bills introduced  
10 by the committee on organization of either house, and revisor's correction and  
11 revisor's revision bills shall not be subject to the requirements of pars. (a) to (d), and  
12 instead may use a descriptive title similar to the following example: "An Act to  
13 amend and revise chapter .... and to make diverse other changes in the statutes;  
14 relating to:....".

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

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

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

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

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

11 (7) Except as necessary to revise the relating clause of the affected bill, ~~joint~~  
12 ~~resolution, resolution~~ proposal or substitute amendment, an amendment may not  
13 change the title of the proposal. When a substitute amendment or proposal is  
14 reproduced with all adopted amendments engrossed therein, or when the proposal  
15 is enrolled after passage, or adoption, and concurrence, the legislative reference  
16 bureau shall make the required changes in the title so that the title correctly lists all  
17 ~~sections~~ provisions affected by the proposal.

18 **SECTION 37.** Joint rule 53 (1) and (2) (f) and (m) are amended to read:

19 Joint Rule 53 (1) It is the policy of this state that law of continuing application  
20 shall be incorporated into the statutes. The assignment of statute numbering to any  
21 part of a bill ~~shall be deemed~~ is indicative of a legislative intent that this text be  
22 incorporated into the statutes.

23 (2) (f) A ratification of a collective bargaining agreement for state ~~employes~~  
24 employees.



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

3 **SECTION 38.** Joint rule 54 is amended to read:

4 JOINT RULE 54. **Approval and jacketing of drafts.** (1) Before jacketing a  
5 proposal is jacketed for introduction, the legislative reference bureau shall submit  
6 a copy of the draft to the authorizing legislator, chief clerk, caucus, or state agency  
7 for approval, but substitute amendments or amendments shall be immediately  
8 prepared ~~for introduction~~ to be offered unless the authorizing legislator, chief clerk,  
9 caucus, or state agency requests prior submittal for approval.

10 (2) The legislative reference bureau, except as otherwise provided in sub. (2m),  
11 shall provide to the authorizing legislator, chief clerk, caucus, or state agency 4 copies  
12 of each ~~approved~~ proposal approved under sub. (1) and 6 copies of each ~~approved~~  
13 amendment approved under sub. (1). One copy ~~shall be~~ is for the use of the requester.  
14 The other copies shall, if a proposal, be inserted in the jacket envelope or, if a  
15 substitute amendment or amendment, be attached to an amendment jacket.

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

20 (b) Each amendment jacket shall contain blanks to identify the substitute  
21 amendment or amendment by number, to list the date ~~of introduction~~ it is offered,  
22 and to enter the name or names of the member, members, or committee of the house  
23 of origin that offered the substitute amendment or amendment. Each amendment  
24 jacket shall allow sufficient space to add, if appropriate, the name of the individual  
25 or organization requesting ~~the introduction~~ that it be offered.

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

3 **SECTION 39.** Joint rule 54 (2m) is created to read:

4 Joint Rule 54 (2m) (a) The chief of the legislative reference bureau and a chief  
5 clerk of either house may enter into a written agreement under this joint rule to have  
6 the chief clerk, when the chief clerk's house is in session, receive on the floor of the  
7 house copies of drafts of proposals, substitute amendments, and amendments  
8 transmitted electronically by the legislative reference bureau, and place the  
9 proposals in jacket envelopes and attach jacket cover sheets (stripes) to drafts of  
10 amendments and substitute amendments.

11 (b) The legislative reference bureau and the chief clerk may not act under this  
12 subsection until the legislative technology services bureau makes the computer  
13 programming changes and the legislative reference bureau and the chief clerk make  
14 the process changes necessary to permit the legislative reference bureau to transmit  
15 and the chief clerk to receive the drafts electronically in the chamber of the house,  
16 in a manner that ensures the confidentiality of the drafts, without changing the way  
17 the legislative reference bureau jackets proposals, substitute amendments, and  
18 amendments electronically.

19 (c) The legislative reference bureau and the chief clerk may not act under this  
20 subsection unless the chief clerk states in the agreement that the chief clerk and his  
21 or her employees:

22 1. Will comply with the requirements for confidentiality of drafts with which  
23 the legislative reference bureau must comply.

1           2. Provide, maintain, and supervise the equipment and the jackets for the  
2 electronic transmittal to the chief clerk as if the equipment and jackets were under  
3 the immediate supervision of the legislative reference bureau.

4           3. Submit directly to, and only to, the member any proposal in its jacket and  
5 any substitute amendment or amendment with its jacket attached.

6           (d) The legislative reference bureau may not transmit a draft of a proposal,  
7 substitute amendment, or amendment to the chief clerk under this rule unless the  
8 member requesting the draft waives confidentiality of the draft and requests the  
9 legislative reference bureau to transmit the draft under this rule.

10           **SECTION 40.** Joint rule 55 is amended to read:

11           Joint Rule 55. **Authors and cosponsors.** (1) Any bill, joint resolution, or  
12 motion under joint rule 7 may have, following and separate from the names of the  
13 authors of the ~~measure~~ bill, joint resolution, or motion, the names of one or more  
14 cosponsors from the other house.

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

18           **SECTION 41.** Joint rule 56 (title), (1), (2) and (3) (b) are amended to read:

19           Joint Rule 56 (title) **Clerical corrections in legislative measures**  
20 **proposals and amendments.** (1) The chief clerks and the legislative reference  
21 bureau shall correct all minor clerical errors found in any ~~bill, resolution~~ proposal or  
22 amendment ~~thereto~~. Any correction under this rule shall be entered by the chief clerk  
23 in the history file for the proposal of the house having possession of the proposal.

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

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

4 **SECTION 42.** Joint rule 57 (2) (intro.) and (b) are amended to read:

5 Joint Rule 57 (2) (intro.) The text of a proposed constitutional amendment is  
6 not subject to change when a joint resolution submits such text for “2nd  
7 consideration” after the ~~proposal~~ joint resolution was adopted on “first  
8 consideration” by the last preceding legislature, unless appropriate changes are  
9 made to revert the status of the constitutional amendment to “first consideration.”

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

17 **SECTION 43.** Joint rule 59 is amended to read:

18 Joint Rule 59. **Explanative notes.** In addition to such notes as are required  
19 by law or joint rule, explanative notes may be included in revision and correction bills  
20 prepared by the revisor of statutes, in reconciliation bills introduced by the  
21 committee on organization of either house, and in ~~bills, joint resolutions, or~~  
22 ~~resolutions~~ proposals introduced or offered and in substitute amendments or  
23 amendments offered by the joint legislative council or its law revision committee, at  
24 the request of the judicial council, and by or at the request of any other official interim  
25 study or investigative group. ~~Such~~ The notes shall be prepared by the requester,

1 shall be factual in nature, shall be as brief as may be and, where feasible, shall follow  
2 the section of the ~~measure~~ proposal or amendment to which they relate. Notes shall  
3 appear in the original reproduced version of the ~~measure~~ proposal or amendment  
4 only, and shall not appear in the Wisconsin Acts or session law volumes unless the  
5 chief of the legislative reference bureau determines that including them is essential  
6 or in the statutes unless the revisor determines that including them is essential.  
7 ~~Such~~ The notes constitute no part of the proposed act or engrossed or enrolled  
8 resolution.

9 **SECTION 44.** Joint rule 60 (title) and (1) are amended to read:

10 Joint Rule 60 (title) **Enrolled bills proposals.** (1) Except as provided in sub.  
11 (2), immediately after the passage of any bill, or the adoption of and concurrence in  
12 any joint resolution amending the constitution, and in the case of a bill, before it is  
13 presented to the governor for approval, the legislative reference bureau shall prepare  
14 the number of enrolled copies of the proposal requested by the chief clerk of the house  
15 in which the ~~measure~~ proposal originated. One ~~such~~ copy shall be used as the  
16 enrolled bill that is presented to the governor or the enrolled resolution that is  
17 deposited with the secretary of state. Four copies of the enrolled bill or resolution  
18 shall be delivered to the secretary of state. A sufficient number of copies of the  
19 enrolled bill or enrolled resolution shall be delivered to the revisor of statutes.

20 **SECTION 45.** Joint rule 62 is amended to read:

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

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

4           **SECTION 46.** Joint rule 63 is amended to read:

5           Joint Rule 63. **Reproduction of engrossed measures proposals and**  
6           **amendments.** Upon the finding by the chief clerk of either house that a ~~bill, joint~~  
7           ~~resolution, resolution~~ proposal or major amendment thereto has been amended in  
8           the house of origin to a considerable degree, the chief clerk may instruct the  
9           legislative reference bureau to prepare and have reproduced an engrossed copy of the  
10          ~~measure~~ proposal or amendment. In preparing engrossed copy for a ~~bill, joint~~  
11          ~~resolution or resolution~~ proposal the legislative reference bureau shall, if time  
12          permits, provide it with a revised analysis. Upon receipt from the legislative  
13          reference bureau of the engrossed copy, the chief clerk shall enter that fact in the  
14          history file for the ~~measure~~ proposal. Any subsequent amendments to a ~~measure~~  
15          proposal ordered reproduced with all adopted amendments engrossed therein shall  
16          be drafted to the reproduced engrossed text.

17          **SECTION 47.** Joint rule 64 (1) (intro.), (a) and (b) are amended to read:

18          Joint Rule 64 (1) (intro.) Any proposal, substitute amendment, or amendment  
19          that proposes to amend an existing law or legislative rule, and any joint resolution  
20          that proposes to amend a section of the state constitution or joint rules, shall display  
21          the full text of the unit of the law, rule, or constitution that is being amended, with  
22          any matter to be stricken out displayed with a line through the matter, and any new  
23          matter displayed with underscoring. This requirement ~~shall~~ does not apply to:

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

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

5 **SECTION 48.** Joint rule 66 (2) is amended to read:

6 Joint Rule 66 (2) Whenever more than one copy of a joint resolution is to be  
7 distributed, facsimile signatures of the several officers required to sign ~~such~~ the  
8 resolutions may be used.

9 **SECTION 49.** Joint rule 71 is amended to read:

10 Joint Rule 71. **Legislative manuals.** The chief clerk of each house shall  
11 ~~prepare, and transmit to the department of administration, a copy of a manual of~~  
12 ~~procedure, which shall contain such~~ the matter as the house determines and has  
13 been customarily included in ~~such~~ the manual. ~~The department shall deliver to each~~  
14 ~~chief clerk as many copies as the chief clerk requires.~~ The chief clerks may prepare  
15 extracts of rules ~~which~~ that have been changed or created for insertion in existing  
16 manuals for use until the new issues are available.

17 **SECTION 50.** Joint rule 72 is amended to read:

18 Joint Rule 72. **Daily calendars.** ~~Such~~ The quantity of daily calendars as  
19 ordered by the chief clerk of each house shall be reproduced. The format of the  
20 calendars shall for each house be as provided in the rules of that house or as directed  
21 by the committee on organization of that house.

22 **SECTION 51.** Joint rule 74 (1) is amended to read:

23 Joint Rule 74 (1) Within 60 days next following the close of any session of the  
24 legislature, the chief clerk of each house shall prepare the matter for its daily journal,  
25 which is required by the order of such house to be included therein; and any other

1 matter, not already included in either journal, which is required to be included by  
2 joint action of the legislature, shall be prepared and transmitted by the chief clerk  
3 of the house in which such the action originated.

4 **SECTION 52.** Joint rule 74 (2) (intro.) is renumbered joint rule 74 (2) and  
5 amended to read:

6 Joint Rule 74 (2) One hundred copies shall be reproduced and bound. The  
7 journals for both houses shall be bound in cloth. The journals of regular,  
8 extraordinary, and special sessions may be bound together in the same volumes if the  
9 extraordinary or special session is called before the journals of the regular sessions  
10 have been bound; if not so bound the journals of both houses for the extraordinary  
11 or special session shall be bound together. ~~Distribution of such~~ The chief clerk of  
12 each house shall distribute the copies shall be as follows:

13 **SECTION 53.** Joint rule 74 (2) (a) to (f) are repealed.

14 **SECTION 54.** Joint rule 75 (1) to (3) are amended to read:

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

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



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

4 **SECTION 55.** Joint rule 76 is amended to read:

5 Joint Rule 76. **Bulletins of senate and assembly proceedings.** (1) After  
6 the 3rd week of the biennial session, ~~there shall be published at convenient intervals~~  
7 a “Bulletin of Proceedings” shall be published at convenient intervals. The senate  
8 and assembly parts shall each be published under the direction of the respective chief  
9 clerk and the index part shall be published as provided in joint rule 77. The senate  
10 and assembly parts shall each contain a directory of the officers, members, and  
11 committees of the legislature. The senate and assembly parts shall contain the  
12 complete history of legislative action on the ~~bills, joint resolutions, resolutions~~  
13 proposals and petitions originating in that house; in addition, the senate part shall  
14 contain the history of senate ~~action~~ advice and consent on gubernatorial nominations  
15 for appointment.

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

20 **SECTION 56.** Joint rule 77 (1) is amended to read:

21 Joint Rule 77 (1) A subject index to legislation, showing a brief description of  
22 each ~~bill, joint resolution, resolution~~ proposal or petition, and may contain a brief  
23 description of such amendments as materially alter the subject content of a proposal.

24 **SECTION 57.** Joint rule 78 is amended to read:

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

11           **SECTION 58.** Joint rule 79 (2), (3) and (5) are amended to read:

12           Joint Rule 79 (2) **BILL JACKETS.** When jacketing drafted proposals for  
13 consideration in a special session, the legislative reference bureau shall identify each  
14 page of the draft, ~~as well as~~ and, except as otherwise provided in joint rule 54 (2m),  
15 identify the bill jacket itself, by the month in which a specific special session begins.

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

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

1           **SECTION 59.** Joint rule 81 (1) (a) to (c), (2) (a) and (c), (3) (b) and (4) are amended  
2 to read:

3           Joint Rule 81 (1) (a) The incoming legislature shall convene in the capitol at  
4 2 p.m. to take the oath of office, select officers, and do all other things necessary to  
5 organize itself for the conduct of its business, but if the first Monday in January falls  
6 on January 1 or 2, the organizational meeting shall be held on January 3.

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

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

15           (2) (a) The extension of a floorperiod through earlier convening or later  
16 adjournment, or the convening of an extraordinary session, may be authorized at the  
17 direction of a majority of the members of the committee on organization in each house  
18 or by the ~~passage~~ adoption of and concurrence in a joint resolution on the approval  
19 by a majority of the members elected to each house, or by the joint petition of a  
20 majority of the members elected to each house submitted to, and using a form  
21 approved by, the senate chief clerk and the assembly chief clerk.

22           (c) Following the official call of any special or extraordinary session, the joint  
23 committee on employment relations or on legislative organization, the committees  
24 on organization in each house, and any committee of either house so authorized  
25 under the rules thereof, may introduce or ~~offer for introduction~~ proposals germane

1 to the call, and such proposals may be numbered, referred to committee, and  
2 reproduced in advance of the special or extraordinary session under the customary  
3 procedures of each house.

4 (3) (b) The committee on senate organization may designate a committee work  
5 day for senate ~~action on gubernatorial~~ advice and consent on nominations for  
6 appointment, whether or not that day was already assigned as a session day under  
7 par. (a).

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

11 **SECTION 60.** Joint rule 81m is created to read:

12 Joint Rule 81m. **Limited-business floorperiod.** (1) The biennial session  
13 schedule shall provide for a floorperiod after the last general-business floorperiod  
14 scheduled by the session schedule for the spring of the even-numbered year and  
15 before the veto review session in that year.

16 (2) The limited-business floorperiod shall be a floorperiod limited to action on:

17 (a) Revisor's correction or revisor's revision bills.

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

21 (c) Bills introduced by the joint committee on employment relations for the  
22 ratification of state employee collective bargaining contracts under section 111.92 (1)  
23 of the statutes.

24 (d) Matters the purposes of which are allowed under joint rule 7.

25 **SECTION 61.** Joint rule 82 (intro.), (1) (c) and (e), (2) and (4) are amended to read:

1           Joint Rule 82. **Veto review session, even-numbered year.** (intro.) The  
2           biennial session schedule shall provide for a 3-day veto review session no earlier  
3           than April 1 of the even-numbered year and no later than June 30 of the  
4           even-numbered year.

5           (1) (c) Revisor's correction or revisor's revision bills.

6           (e) Bills introduced by the joint committee on employment relations for the  
7           ratification of state ~~employe~~ employee collective bargaining contracts under section  
8           111.92 (1) of the statutes.

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

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

15          (4) The action of either house on the motion to pass a bill, or part thereof,  
16          notwithstanding the objections of the governor ~~may in no case be~~ is not subject to a  
17          motion for reconsideration.

18          **SECTION 62.** Joint rule 82 (1) (g) is repealed.

19          **SECTION 63.** Joint rule 83 (1) to (3) and (5) are amended to read:

20          Joint Rule 83 (1) During any scheduled floorperiod the introduction, or offering,  
21          and disposition of ~~bills, joint resolutions, resolutions~~ proposals and the offering and  
22          disposition of amendments ~~thereto~~, and of certificates under joint rule 7, shall in each  
23          house be governed by the rules thereof.

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

4           (a) The chairperson of any standing committee on behalf of that standing  
5 committee, any legislator, and the chairperson of any special committee on behalf of  
6 that special committee and within the special committee's scope, may deposit with  
7 the chief clerk of the legislator's house any original ~~bill, joint resolution, or resolution~~  
8 proposal or amendments to or substitute amendments for pending proposals  
9 whether introduced ~~prior to~~ before or during the committee work period.

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

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

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

21           (5) Following the conclusion of the last general-business floorperiod scheduled  
22 by the session schedule for the spring of the even-numbered year, no further regular  
23 session proposals may be introduced for the balance of the legislative biennium, ~~but~~  
24 ~~nothing in this rule may be interpreted as limiting the introduction of~~ except  
25 proposals under joint rules rule 81 (2) (c) ~~and or~~ 82 (1), ~~or~~ required for the conduct

1 of any special session called by the governor, of any extraordinary session called by  
2 the legislature, or of the veto review session, or the continued consideration of any  
3 proposal during of any extended floor period.

4 **SECTION 64.** Joint rule 83 (4) (a) is renumbered 83 (4) and amended to read:

5 Joint Rule 83 (4) At the conclusion of the last general-business floor period  
6 scheduled by the session schedule for the spring of the even-numbered year, any bill  
7 or joint resolution not yet agreed to by both houses, and any resolution not yet passed  
8 by the house of origin, ~~shall be deemed is~~ adversely disposed of for the biennial  
9 session and recorded as “failed to pass,” “failed to adopt,” or “failed to concur,” ~~except~~  
10 ~~as provided in par. (b).~~

11 **SECTION 65.** Joint rule 83 (4) (b) is repealed.

12 **SECTION 66.** Joint rule 84 (1) to (4) are amended to read:

13 Joint Rule 84 (1) MEETINGS. Meet, on call of the chairperson, in the capitol. As  
14 authorized by section 13.123 (3) (a) of the statutes, any committee may, with the prior  
15 consent of the committee on senate organization in the case of senate committees or  
16 of all of the officers required by assembly rule in the case of assembly committees,  
17 meet at such other locations throughout this state as the chairperson ~~shall announce~~  
18 announces. Each committee meeting shall be given due public notice. No such  
19 committee may schedule an executive session outside the capitol unless ~~such~~ the  
20 executive session is held in conjunction with a public meeting of the committee.

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

24 (3) STUDIES, INVESTIGATIONS, AND REVIEWS. Conduct, on instruction by the  
25 appropriate house or on the motion of the chairperson with majority vote approval

1 by the committee, studies, investigations, and reviews, within the subject matter  
2 area customarily within the purview of the respective committee, regarding any  
3 matter ~~which~~ that may then be appropriate to legislative inquiry. In case of  
4 duplication or of overlapping areas of original inquiry the committee on senate  
5 organization in the case of senate committees, the speaker in the case of assembly  
6 committees, or the joint committee on legislative organization in the case of joint  
7 committees, shall define and delimit the subject matter area assigned to each  
8 committee and determine the scope of the inquiry conducted by each committee.

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

21 **SECTION 67.** Joint rule 85 is amended to read:

22 Joint Rule 85. **Reimbursement for expenses.** For any day on which a  
23 member of the legislature is in Madison on legislative business pursuant to section  
24 13.123 (1) of the statutes or attends a legislative committee meeting in Madison, ~~such~~  
25 the member shall be reimbursed the per diem provided in section 13.123 (1) (a) of the



1 statutes. Any legislator who attends a committee meeting outside Madison  
2 authorized under joint rule 84 (1) shall be reimbursed for the actual and necessary  
3 expenses incurred in attending such the committee meeting as provided by section  
4 13.123 (3) of the statutes, or for the round-trip cost of traveling to such the meeting  
5 from Madison.

6 **SECTION 68.** Joint rule 86 is amended to read:

7 Joint Rule 86. **Continuation of employes employees during periods of**  
8 **committee work.** During any period of committee work, the chief clerks and  
9 sergeants at arms of the 2 houses shall retain on their staffs only such employes as  
10 are the employees necessary for the conduct of legislative business during that  
11 period ~~prior to~~ before the commencement of the next succeeding legislative session  
12 biennium, the chief clerk and the sergeant at arms of each house shall consult with  
13 the committee on organization of that house to determine the number of employes  
14 employees required for the commencement of that session. ~~Employes~~ Employees  
15 who were laid off following the final (veto review) scheduled floorperiod of the current  
16 session shall be given preference in the filling of vacancies in anticipation of the  
17 commencement of the next succeeding session.

18 **SECTION 69.** Joint rule 87 (1), (2) and (3) (a) and (c) 1. are amended to read:

19 Joint Rule 87 (1) MESSAGE FINAL ACTIONS. Message to the other house all  
20 proposals originating in the other house and on which the chief clerk's house has  
21 taken final action. The chief clerk shall similarly message to the other house all  
22 proposals ~~other than motions for certificates under joint rule 7~~ originating in the  
23 chief clerk's house and requiring the consent of the other house and on which the  
24 chief clerk's house has taken final action. Any motion under joint rule 7 for a joint  
25 certificate of commendation, congratulation, or condolence, adopted by one house

1 and already signed by the cosponsor from the other house, shall be treated as though  
2 it had been adopted by both houses, but any such motion adopted by one house only  
3 and lacking the signature of the cosponsor from the other house shall be treated as  
4 though it had been offered as a motion for a certificate by one house only.

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

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

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

21 **SECTION 70.** Joint rule chapter 10 (title) is amended to read:

22 **CHAPTER 10:**

23 **LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES EMPLOYEES**

24 **SECTION 71.** Joint rule 91 is amended to read:

1           Joint Rule 91. **Compensation and classification plan.** Unless otherwise  
2 specifically provided, all legislative ~~employes~~ employees shall be paid in accordance  
3 with the compensation and classification plan adopted by the joint committee on  
4 legislative organization. If the joint committee does not adopt a compensation and  
5 classification plan, the committee on organization of either house may adopt a plan  
6 for the ~~employes~~ employees of that house. Appointments shall be for the legislative  
7 session, unless earlier terminated by the appointing officer.

8           **SECTION 72.** Joint rule 92 is amended to read:

9           Joint Rule 92. **Retirement system agents for legislative employes**  
10 **employees.** The chief clerks of the senate and of the assembly are designated to act  
11 in matters pertaining to the retirement system for the members and ~~employes~~  
12 employees of their respective houses as required by section 40.02 (36) of the statutes.  
13 In matters relating to the chief clerks, the president of the senate and the speaker  
14 of the assembly shall act.

15           **SECTION 73.** Joint rule 97 is amended to read:

16           Joint Rule 97. **Continuity of joint rules.** ~~These The joint rules shall remain~~  
17 remain in effect until amended or superseded, and ~~shall~~ continue in effect at the  
18 beginning of any succeeding regular session of the legislature until superseded by  
19 the joint rules adopted by that legislature.

20           **SECTION 74.** Joint rule 98 (2) (a) is amended to read:

21           Joint Rule 98 (2) (a) The chief clerk shall make the spelling and other minor  
22 corrections authorized by joint rule 56 and shall consult with the legislative  
23 reference bureau to make any references to provisions of the constitution, statutes,  
24 joint rules, senate rules, or assembly rules conform to the numbers then assigned to  
25 such the provisions.

1           **SECTION 75.** Joint rule 99 is created to read:

2           **Joint Rule 99. Definitions.** The following are definitions of the major terms  
3 used in joint rules 1 to 99 or traditionally used in deliberations on the floor:

4           (1) **ACT:** A bill that has passed both houses of the legislature, been enrolled, and  
5 been approved by the governor or passed over the governor's veto, or that becomes  
6 law without the signature of the governor, and published.

7           (2) **ADJOURN:** To conclude a legislative day's business [see also sub. (79)].

8           (3) **ADOPTION:** Approval of a motion, amendment, substitute amendment,  
9 simple resolution, or joint resolution.

10           (4) **AMENDMENT:** A suggested alteration in any proposal, often referred to as a  
11 simple amendment in distinction to a substitute amendment intended to take the  
12 place of the proposal.

13           (5) **APPEAL:** A member's challenge of a ruling on a point of order. To prevail,  
14 an appeal requires the support of a majority of the members present.

15           (6) **ASSEMBLY CHAMBER:** The entire area west of the easternmost doors of the  
16 assembly, including the visitor's galleries, lobbies, offices of the speaker, majority  
17 leader, and minority leader and hallways.

18           (7) **BILL:** A proposed change of law originating in either house, requiring  
19 passage by one house and concurrence of the other house of the legislature and  
20 approval of the governor, or passage notwithstanding the objections of the governor  
21 by a two-thirds vote in each house, or that becomes law without the signature of the  
22 governor, before becoming effective.

23           (8) **CALENDAR:** The agenda for any legislative day.

24           (9) **CALL OF THE HOUSE:** A procedure for requiring the attendance of absent  
25 members.

1           (10) CERTIFICATE OR "CITATION": A formal legislative document of commendation,  
2           congratulations, or condolences.

3           (11) CHAIR: The position that the presiding officer fills.

4           (12) CHIEF CLERK: The officer elected to perform and direct the clerical and  
5           personnel functions of a house.

6           (13) COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: The head of a committee.

7           (14) COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE ACTION: The action of a committee on any proposal.

8           (14m) COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE: A committee of representatives to the  
9           assembly and of senators, appointed to resolve differences on a specific proposal.

10          (15) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: The membership of one house organized in  
11          committee for the discussion of a specific matter.

12          (16) CONCURRENCE: The action by which one house agrees to a proposal or action  
13          of the other house.

14          (18) CONTESTED SEAT: A district in which 2 or more persons claim the right to  
15          represent the district.

16          (20) CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: The members of one of the houses omitting those  
17          who have resigned, have been removed, or have died.

18          (22) DILATORY: To delay.

19          (23) DIVISION OF THE QUESTION: To break a question into 2 or more separate  
20          propositions.

21          (24) ELECTED MEMBERSHIP: The members of one of the houses, certified as  
22          elected in the last general election, including those who have subsequently resigned,  
23          have been removed, or have died.

1           (25) **ENGROSSED PROPOSAL:** A proposal incorporating all adopted amendments  
2 and all approved technical corrections in the house of origin, whether or not it is  
3 reproduced as engrossed.

4           (26) **ENROLLED PROPOSAL:** A proposal that was passed, or adopted, and  
5 concurred in, incorporating any amendments and corrections that were approved by  
6 both houses.

7           (27) **EXPUNGE:** To remove material from the record and thus undo some action.

8           (27m) **EXTRAORDINARY SESSION:** The convening of the legislature by the  
9 assembly and senate committees on organization or by petition or joint resolution of  
10 the legislature to accomplish the business specified in the action calling the session.  
11 When used to continue a floorperiod of the regular session for a limited purpose, the  
12 extraordinary session is referred to as an extended session.

13           (28) **FISCAL ESTIMATE:** A memorandum explaining the impact of any proposal  
14 on state or local finances.

15           (29) **FLOOR OF THE ASSEMBLY:** That portion of the assembly chamber that is  
16 reserved for members, assembly officers, and persons granted the privilege of the  
17 floor.

18           (29m) **FLOOR OF THE SENATE:** That portion of the senate chamber that is reserved  
19 for members, senate officers, and persons granted the privilege of the floor.

20           (30) **FLOOR AMENDMENT:** Any amendment offered for consideration at the 2nd  
21 reading stage, or for committee consideration, but not drafted by the legislative  
22 reference bureau.

23           (31) **GERMANENESS:** The relevance or appropriateness of amendments.

24           (32) **HEARING:** A committee meeting at which the public is invited to testify on  
25 a proposal or issue.

1 (33) HISTORY: A record of actions on any given proposal.

2 (33m) HISTORY FILE: The list of entries made by the chief clerk in the bulletin  
3 of proceedings, recording the actions of the legislature on a proposal.

4 (34) INCIDENTAL MOTIONS AND REQUESTS: A group of motions and requests that  
5 generally relates to the proceedings, procedures, and subsidiary questions during  
6 debate, and that must be disposed of before proceeding to the main question under  
7 consideration. Incidental questions have lower precedence than privileged  
8 questions but higher precedence than subsidiary and main motions.

9 (35) INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT: A motion to kill a proposal in its house of origin  
10 for a legislative session.

11 (36) INTRODUCTION: The formal presentation of a bill before one of the houses.

12 (37) JOINT CONVENTION, ALSO CALLED "JOINT SESSION." A joint meeting of the  
13 senate and the assembly.

14 (38) JOINT HEARING: A hearing held by a joint committee or by committees of  
15 both houses.

16 (39) JOINT RESOLUTION: A proposal requiring adoption by both houses, to: a)  
17 express the opinion of the legislature; b) change joint rules of the legislature; c)  
18 propose an amendment to the state constitution; or d) propose or ratify an  
19 amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

20 (40) JOINT RULES: The common rules of procedure adopted by both houses.

21 (41) JOURNAL: The official publication of one of the houses.

22 (42) LEAVE: Permission to be absent from one of the houses.

23 (43) LEGISLATIVE DAY: Any day on which the legislature is in session.

24 (44) MAIN MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS: The final affirmative question concerning  
25 a proposal during any stage of its consideration or any motion made or question

1 raised when no other matter is before the house. Main questions have lower  
2 precedence than privileged, incidental, and subsidiary questions.

3 (45) MAJORITY: One more than one-half.

4 (46) MANUAL: The publication containing the rules of a house, the joint rules,  
5 the session schedule, the state constitution, alphabetical indexes, and other  
6 materials considered relevant to a legislator's job.

7 (47) MEMBER: A duly elected senator or representative to the assembly.

8 (48) MEMBERS PRESENT: Those members in attendance at a daily session.

9 (48m) MEASURE: Another term for "proposal."

10 (49) MOTION: A proposed action requiring approval by a vote of a house.

11 (50) NONCONCURRENCE: The refusal of one house to agree to a proposal or action  
12 of the other.

13 (50m) OFFER: The formal presentation of a joint resolution, resolution,  
14 substitute amendment, amendment, or motion before a house.

15 (51) OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: A formal reply by the attorney general  
16 to a specific question.

17 (52) PAIR: A written agreement between 2 members on opposite sides of a  
18 question not to vote on the question if one or both are absent with leave, which  
19 permits the absent member to influence the outcome of a vote.

20 (53) PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY: A request for an explanation of a legislative rule  
21 or procedure.

22 (54) PASSAGE: Final approval in the first house of a bill introduced in that house.

23 (55) PETITION: A request that one of the houses take a particular course of  
24 action.



1           (56) POINT OF ORDER: A request that the presiding officer rule on a matter of  
2 parliamentary procedure.

3           (57) PRECEDENT: A previous ruling, decision, or action used to interpret  
4 legislative rules.

5           (57d) PRESIDENT: A member of the senate elected by the membership to preside  
6 over the senate and carry out the duties as described in the senate rules, the joint  
7 rules, and the statutes.

8           (57m) PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: A member of the senate elected by the  
9 membership to carry out the duties of the president in his or her absence until the  
10 return of the president or until a president is elected.

11           (57p) PRESIDING OFFICER: The person presiding over the senate or assembly in  
12 session [see also subs. (11), (57d), (57m), (80), and (81)].

13           (58) PREVIOUS QUESTION: A motion that debate on a proposal be ended.

14           (59) PRIVILEGED MOTIONS AND REQUESTS: A group of motions and requests  
15 relating to basic questions concerning the meetings, organization, rules, rights, and  
16 duties of the assembly and having the highest precedence for consideration.  
17 Privileged motions and requests take precedence over incidental, subsidiary, and  
18 main questions.

19           (60) PROPOSAL: A resolution, joint resolution, or bill put before a house for  
20 consideration.

21           (61) QUESTION: A statement before one of the houses for decision.

22           (62) QUORUM: A majority of the current membership of one of the houses, unless  
23 otherwise required by the state constitution.

24           (63) RECESS: A temporary suspension of business during a day of the year.

1           (64) RECONSIDERATION: A motion to nullify a decision and again consider and  
2 vote on the question involved.

3           (65) REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS: The regular sequence of deliberations on any  
4 legislative day.

5           (66) REGULAR SESSION: The biennial session of the legislature established by the  
6 constitution and by section 13.02 of the statutes. The Wisconsin legislature convenes  
7 in the capitol on the first Monday of January in each odd-numbered year at 2 p.m.  
8 to take the oath of office, to select officers, and to organize itself for the conduct of its  
9 business, but if the first Monday falls on January 1 or 2, the legislature organizes on  
10 January 3. Daily meetings begin in January of each year and continue throughout  
11 the biennium until the final adjournment of the session. "Session" is also often used  
12 to refer to the daily meetings of the legislature.

13           (67) REJECTION: An action for the adverse and final disposition of: a) a  
14 resolution or joint resolution for the biennial session of the legislature; b) an  
15 amendment or substitute amendment with regard to one specific document; c) the  
16 application of a motion to the current situation; and d) the report of a committee.

17           (68) REMAIN INFORMAL: A temporary suspension of proceedings in one of the  
18 houses.

19           (69) REQUEST: A proposed action that does not require a vote because: a)  
20 unanimous consent has been asked for; b) the action is required if there are sufficient  
21 seconds; or c) the presiding officer has the authority to take or order the requested  
22 action.

23           (70) RESCIND: An action by which one of the houses nullifies an action on a  
24 proposal so as to enable the house to again consider a proposal from a given stage.

1 When a motion to rescind prevails, the house resumes its consideration of a proposal  
2 at the stage indicated in the motion.

3 (71) RESOLUTION: A proposal a) expressing the opinion of one of the houses; or  
4 b) changing the rules of one of the houses.

5 (73) ROLL CALL DAY: A legislative day on which any roll call is taken.

6 (74) ROLL CALL VOTE: A vote on which each member voting is recorded by name.

7 (75) RULES OF PROCEDURE: The legislative rules that govern the conduct of  
8 legislative business.

9 (76) RULING: The presiding officer's decision on a point of order.

10 (77) SENATE CHAMBER: The entire area south of the northernmost doors of the  
11 senate, including the floor, staff lobby, press lobby, visitor's galleries, and hallways,  
12 but excluding the offices of senate officers.

13 (78) SERGEANT AT ARMS: The officer elected by the members to perform and  
14 direct the police and custodial functions of one of the houses.

15 (79) SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT: The final adjournment of a legislative session.

16 (80) SPEAKER: A member of the assembly elected by the membership to preside  
17 over the assembly and carry out the duties as described in the assembly rules, the  
18 joint rules, and the statutes.

19 (81) SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE: A member of the assembly elected by the  
20 membership to carry out the duties of the speaker in his or her absence until the  
21 return of the president or until a president is elected.

22 (82) SPECIAL COMMITTEE, ASSEMBLY: A committee created by an assembly  
23 resolution, or a special committee or temporary special committee created by a  
24 written order of the speaker under assembly rule 10, to investigate specific matters  
25 during a session or committee work period, and report to the assembly.

1           (83) SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS, ASSEMBLY: Any proposal ordered by the  
2 assembly to be given consideration at a specified time and taking precedence over the  
3 regular orders of business at that time.

4           (84) SPECIAL SESSION: The convening of the legislature by the governor to  
5 accomplish a special purpose for which convened.

6           (85) STAGE: One of the formal steps in the legislative process.

7           (86) STANDING COMMITTEE: A permanent legislative committee.

8           (87) SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS: A group of motions that change, or delay or accelerate  
9 the consideration of, a proposal before a house. Subsidiary motions have lower  
10 precedence than privileged and incidental questions, but higher precedence than  
11 main motions.

12           (88) SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT: An amendment that, if accepted, takes the place  
13 of the original proposal. The term more accurately describes a “substitute bill” or  
14 “substitute resolution.”

15           (89) SUFFICIENT SECONDS: The support of 15 assembly members necessary to  
16 initiate certain procedures in the assembly rules.

17           (90) SUSPENSION OF THE RULES: A motion requiring the support of two-thirds  
18 of the members present and by which a special action on a specific proposal is  
19 accomplished despite the existence of a rule blocking the action. Any suspension of  
20 the rules is temporary.

21           (92) UNANIMOUS CONSENT: A request for a specific purpose; if an objection is not  
22 heard, it is assumed that the request has the consent of the entire body.

23           (93) VETO: The action by which a bill or a part thereof is rejected by the governor.

