

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 19

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt House Rule 14.24(B) and House Rule 14.32(B)(2) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide relative to notice of interim meetings and to require certain statements and designations for certain public employees to be filed prior to testimony before a committee.

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana that House Rule 14.24(B) and House Rule 14.32(B)(2) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives are hereby amended and readopted to read as follows:

Rule 14.24. Notice; Session Meetings; Interim Meetings

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B.(1) At least ~~ten~~ four days prior to each interim meeting of a committee, the chairman of the committee shall file with the Clerk of the House notice of the meeting. ~~The~~ Not later than the next business day after receipt of the notice, the Clerk shall transmit notice of each such meeting to the members of the respective committees and to any member of the legislature who is the author of a study resolution or a prefiled legislative instrument scheduled at such meeting ~~no later than seven days prior to the meeting date~~ and shall also be responsible for making ~~such notices~~ the notice available to the news media, to the public, and to all registered lobbyists who have filed written request for such notice with the Clerk.

(2) Notwithstanding Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph, if a standing committee has a statutory duty related to a disaster or emergency during a declared state of disaster or emergency, at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date

at which such matter will considered, the chairman of the committee shall file with the Clerk of the House notice of the meeting. Immediately upon receipt of the notice, the Clerk shall transmit notice of each such meeting to the members of the respective committees and shall also be responsible for making the notice available to the news media, to the public, and to all registered lobbyists who have filed written request for such notice with the Clerk.

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Rule 14.32. Hearings; Persons to be Heard; Sworn Statement

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(2)(a) Each person appearing before a committee shall be required to identify himself and the group, organization, or company he represents, if any. Before being allowed to testify before the committee, he shall also be required to file with the committee chairman or the committee staff a sworn written statement in the form of a signed witness card affirming that his testimony is true and correct. He shall then be considered to be under oath while providing such testimony before the committee.

(b) A public employee who is a designee of an elected official appearing before a committee shall identify himself and the elected official for whom he is the designee. Before being allowed to present testimony on behalf of an elected official, the designee shall be required to file with the committee chairman a written statement from the elected official evidencing the designation and a written certification from the designee that he is acting in the performance of his official public duties. The written statement and certification shall be made on forms developed by the Clerk of the House.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES