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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

SENATE. Provides relative to the adoption of resolutions.

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To amend and readopt Senate Rule 7.6(E) and 10.9(A) of the Rules of Order of the Senate to provide relative to the procedure applicable to the adoption of resolutions.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana that Senate Rule 7.6(E) and 10.9(A) of the Rules of Order of the Senate are amended and readopted to read as follows:

Rule 7.6. Legislative instruments and other documents; introduction copies, printing; language indicators in bills; deadline for legislation requests

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E. On the day on which a bill appears on the regular calendar for final passage or a resolution appears on the regular calendar to be adopted a copy thereof and any supplemental digest shall be placed in the Final Passage Book on the desk of each member. Such bills and resolutions shall be arranged as listed on the regular calendar, separately for Senate and House bills, concurrent resolutions, and resolutions. Concurrent resolutions and resolutions pertaining to notifying the House of Representatives or the governor that the Senate has convened or is ready to adjourn, the holding of a joint session of the legislature, or extending

condolences or commendations shall be exempt from this requirement.

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Rule 10.9. Resolutions; introduction and referral; suspension of laws

A. Each resolution shall be read upon introduction in the Senate and shall be referred to an appropriate committee on the next legislative day following the day of introduction. The requirement of referral to committee shall not apply to perfunctory resolutions, such as those pertaining to adjournment or to a resolution introduced for the purpose of calling an election for the election of the President pursuant to Rule 3.2, the election of the President Pro Tempore pursuant to Rule 3.4, for the election of the Secretary pursuant to Rule 3.6 or for the election of the Sergeant at Arms pursuant to Rule 3.8. A perfunctory Only a resolution pertaining to notifying the House of Representatives or the governor that the Senate has convened or is ready to adjourn or the holding of a joint session of the legislature may be taken up and acted upon immediately upon introduction. Otherwise, no resolution may be taken up and acted upon until it is listed on the order of the day for that legislative day.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

DIGEST

Claitor SR No.

<u>Present rule</u> requires that on the day on which a bill appears on the regular calendar for final passage a copy and any supplemental digest be placed in the Final Passage Book on the desk of each member. Provides that such bills shall be arranged as listed on the regular calendar, separately for Senate and House bills.

<u>Proposed rule</u> retains <u>present rule</u> and further provides that on the day on which a resolution appears on the regular calendar to be adopted a copy and any supplemental digest shall be placed in the Final Passage Book on the desk of each member. Such resolutions shall be arranged as listed on the regular calendar, separately for Senate and House concurrent resolutions and resolutions. Concurrent resolutions and resolutions pertaining to notifying the House of Representatives or the governor that the Senate has convened or is ready to adjourn, the holding of a joint session of the legislature, or extending condolences or commendations shall be exempt from this requirement.

<u>Present rule</u> requires that each resolution be referred to an appropriate committee on the next legislative day following the day of introduction. Provides that the requirement of referral to committee does not apply to perfunctory resolutions, including those pertaining to

adjournment or to a resolution introduced for the purpose of calling an election for the election of the President pursuant to Rule 3.2, the election of the President Pro Tempore pursuant to Rule 3.4, for the election of the Secretary pursuant to Rule 3.6 or for the election of the Sergeant at Arms pursuant to Rule 3.8. <u>Proposed rule</u> retains <u>present rule</u>.

<u>Present rule</u> provides that a perfunctory resolution may be taken up and acted upon immediately upon introduction. <u>Proposed rule</u> provides that only a resolution pertaining to notifying the House of Representatives or the governor that the Senate has convened or is ready to adjourn or the holding of a joint session of the legislature may be taken up and acted upon immediately upon introduction. Otherwise, no resolution may be taken up and acted upon until it is listed on the order of the day for that legislative day.

(Amends Senate Rule 7.6(E) and 10.9(A))