

Representative Ryan D. Wilcox proposes the following substitute bill:

HOUSE RULES RESOLUTION - PUBLIC COMMENT

AMENDMENTS

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This resolution modifies requirements for the public comment phase of a standing committee meeting.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

▶ prohibits a chair from taking public comment from an individual witness unless the individual provides certain information;

▶ if an individual witness is participating via video conference, prohibits a chair from taking the individual's comment unless:

- the individual provides the individual's place of residence; and
- the individual's video is enabled; and

▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

Legislative Rules Affected:

AMENDS:

HR3-2-308

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the state of Utah:

Section 1. **HR3-2-308** is amended to read:



26 **HR3-2-308. Public comment.**

27 (1) During the public comment phase~~[, a committee member may not]~~ of a committee
28 meeting:

29 (a) except for a motion to amend legislation, substitute legislation, or dispose of
30 legislation~~[. All other motions are in order during the public comment phase.], all other~~
31 motions are in order;

32 ~~[(2) During the public comment phase of a committee meeting:]~~

33 ~~[(a)]~~ (b) the chair, or a committee by majority vote, may limit the time an individual
34 witness or presenter speaks to a committee as authorized under [HR3-2-304](#); ~~[and]~~

35 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) the chair, or the committee by majority vote, may terminate the public
36 comment phase at any time~~[-]; and~~

37 (d) the chair may not take comment from an individual witness unless:

38 (i) the individual provides the individual's legal name and the entity that the individual
39 represents, if any; and

40 (ii) if the individual is participating via video conference:

41 (A) the individual provides the individual's place of residence; and

42 (B) the individual's video is enabled.

43 ~~[(3)]~~ (2) Unless the chair, or a committee by majority vote, permits additional public
44 comment, once the public comment phase has ended only committee members, legislative
45 sponsors, staff, and those authorized under [HR3-2-307](#) may address the committee.