

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
JOINT RULES COMMITTEE  
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE  
49th LEGISLATURE

March 24, 1986

The first meeting of the Joint Rules Committee was called to order by Chairman Fred VanValkenburg at 8:03 am, in the Senate Judiciary Committee Room in the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: Senators Christiaens, Norman, Stephens and VanValkenburg; Representatives Addy, Brown, Harper, Keyser, Marks, Moore, Ramirez and Vincent were present. Senator Crippen arrived at 8:45 am. Representative Schultz was absent.

Chairman VanValkenburg included in the agenda for items: 1) rules under which to operate the special session, 2) new rules to be adopted for the special session; 3) introduction of bills not covered within the scope of the call and 4) the procedure for expansion of the call.

He said that his intent was to move adoption of the Joint Rules with the exceptions of 6-7, 6-8, 6-19, 6-20, 6-22, 6-29, 6-34 and 3-7, and in the Senate rule 7-3. These rules, he explained deal with transmittal deadlines, transmittal of a bill on the same subject to a house which has previously killed a bill on that subject, the color coding of the bills, the requirement that a day elapse between placement of the bill on a member's desk and second reading, the rule allowing only one reading per day, the requirement for 48 hours to elapse between engrossing and enrolling.

MOTION: Senator Christiaens moved that the Joint Rules be adopted with the exceptions of 6-7, 6-8, 6-19, 6-20, 6-22, 6-29, 6-34 and 3-7.

Representative Addy noted that only one sentence of 6-22 need be changed. Chairman VanValkenburg said that it would be clearer to the membership if the changes in the rules were simple. He noted that there were no prohibitions against stopping the movement of bills but that a majority vote could stop a bill from proceeding.

Question was called on Senator Christiaens motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman VanValkenburg then directed the committee's attention to the need for special rules for this session. He suggested for the committee's consideration a rule adopted in the 1983 special session (Exhibit 1).

Discussion followed to clarify that this rule would apply to those bills currently in the call. The committee consensus was that bills expanding the call would come to the Joint Rules Committee for clarification.

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MOTION: Representative Moore moved that the following new joint rule be adopted:

"6-7. The following schedule must be followed for submission of drafting requests and introduction of bills and resolutions:

Request deadline: 5:00 pm, 2nd Legislative Day.

Introduction Deadline: 5:00 pm, 3rd Legislative Day, or within 24 hours following the receipt of a drafted bill.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman VanValkenburg the asked the committee how it would handle bills not strictly within the call of the Governor, but arguably germane to the call. Executive Director of the Legislative Council, Diana Dowling was recognized to offer the rule of procedure under which the Council was operating with regard to drafting requests for the session prior to the convening of the session (Exhibit 2).

The committee agreed that with the Legislature in session the Joint Rules Committee would be a more proper forum for these considerations than the leadership alone.

MOTION: Representative Moore moved that bill drafting requests for bills to be introduced in Special Session may not be honored unless determined by the Council legal director to be within the subject matter to be considered during the Special Session. Any question of interpretation arising under this section will be submitted to the Joint Rules Committee for final determination."  
The motion carried unanimously.

The committee discussed the various methods of expanding the special session beyond the scope of the call. The Governor has agreed to add any item to the call that is agreed to by all four legislative caucuses. In addition the regular route of petitioning with 76 members of the Legislature requesting a session could be done. Historically a majority vote has also expanded a special session. The procedures surrounding these items were discussed.

Senator VanValkenburg concluded the discussion noting that the sovereignty of the Legislature would allow it to establish its own procedures for dealing with the requests of individual members to introduce legislation. Chairman VanValkenburg said that he would reconvene the committee at noon, this day to consider written language regarding this procedure.

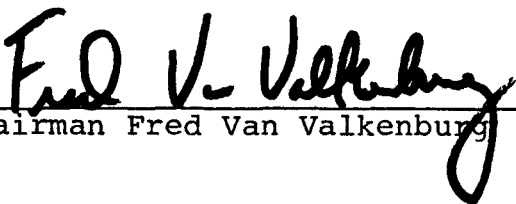
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Representative Marks asked if resolutions would be treated in the same manner as bills for these purposes. The committee felt that was necessary in order to reasonably limit the special session.

MOTION: Representative Marks moved that all resolutions, excepting simple resolutions be considered the same as bills for purposes of introduction.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Van Valkenburg adjourned the meeting at 9 am, with notice that the committee would meet again at 12 pm.

  
Chairman Fred Van Valkenburg

Joint Rules Committee

ROLL CALL VOTE

Date 24 March 86

Bill No. Sam

Motion: Attendance

	YES	NO
Senator Christiaens	✓	
Senator Crippen		8:45 am
Senator Norman	✓	
Senator Stephens	✓	
Representative Addy	✓	
Representative Brown	✓	
Representative Harper	✓	
Representative Keyser	✓	
Representative Marks	✓	
Representative Moore	✓	
Representative Quilici		
Representative Ramirez	✓	
Representative Schultz		✓
Representative Vincent	✓	
Chairman VanValkenburg	✓	

'83 Special Session

After passing motion for adopting rules with exception of  
JR 6-7, 6-8 and 6-34, Senator Hazelbaker ---

"moved that the following new joint rules be adopted:

"6-7. The following schedule must be followed for sub-  
mission of drafting requests and introduction of bills and resolutions:

Request deadline: 5:00 p.m., 2nd Legislative Day.

Introduction Deadline: 5:00 p.m. , 3rd Legislative Day.

Motion Carried"

March 21, 1986

Proposed New Rule of Procedure

Rule V.

(5) Bill drafting requests for bills to be introduced in a Special Session may not be honored unless determined by the Council legal director to be within the subject matter to be considered during the Special Session.

Any question of interpretation arising under this subsection must be submitted for resolution to the legislative leadership, consisting of the Speaker and the elected leader of the opposite party in the House, and the President of the Senate and the elected leader of the opposite party in the Senate. The question of interpretation will then be decided by majority vote of those four members of legislative leadership.

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