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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 101st General
Assembly are amended by changing Rule 37 as follows:

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(House Rule 37)

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37. Bills.

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(a) A bill may be introduced in the House by sponsorship of
one or more members of the House, whose names shall be on the
reproduced copies of the bills, in the House Journal, and in
the Legislative Digest. The Principal Sponsor shall be the
first name to appear on the bill and may be joined by no more
than 4 chief co-sponsors with the approval of the Principal
Sponsor; other co-sponsors shall be separated from the
Principal Sponsor and any chief co-sponsors by a comma. The
Principal Sponsor may change the sponsorship of a bill to that
of one or more other Representatives, or to that of the
standing committee or special committee to which the bill was
referred or from which the bill was reported. Such change may
be made at any time the bill is pending before the House or any
of its committees by filing a notice with the Clerk, provided
that the addition of any member as a Principal Sponsor, chief
co-sponsor, or co-sponsor must be with that member's consent.
When the Principal Sponsor ceases to be a Representative during

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1 the term, the chief sponsorship of any of his or her pending
2 legislative measures may be changed to another Representative
3 upon approval by the Speaker or Minority Leader, whichever
4 served as the Representative's caucus leader. If a bill is
5 amended to replace everything after the enacting clause with
6 language differing in substance or subject matter from the bill
7 as introduced, upon adoption of such an amendment, the Clerk
8 shall remove the Principal Sponsor, chief co-sponsors, and
9 co-sponsors from the bill and the Principal Sponsor of that
10 amendment shall become the Principal Sponsor of the bill. This
11 subsection may not be suspended.

12 (b) The Principal Sponsor of a bill controls that bill. A
13 committee-sponsored bill is controlled by the Chairperson, or
14 if Co-Chairpersons have been appointed, by the Co-Chairperson
15 from the majority caucus, who for purposes of these Rules is
16 deemed the Principal Sponsor. Committee-sponsored bills may
17 not have individual co-sponsors.

18 (c) The Senate sponsor of a bill originating in the Senate
19 may request substitute House sponsorship of that bill by filing
20 a notice with the Clerk. Such notice is automatically referred
21 to the Rules Committee. The notice shall include the bill
22 number, signature of the Senate sponsor, signature of the
23 substitute House sponsor, and a statement that the original
24 House sponsor was provided with notice of intent to request a
25 substitute House sponsor. A notice that satisfies the
26 requirements of this subsection shall be approved by the Rules

1 Committee. If the Rules Committee does not act on a notice that
2 satisfies the requirements of this subsection within 3
3 legislative days after its referral, then the notice is deemed
4 approved and the Clerk shall substitute sponsorship. This
5 subsection shall be in effect if, and only for so long as, the
6 Rules of the Senate include a reciprocal privilege for House
7 sponsors and the Senate complies with the rule. This subsection
8 may not be suspended.

9 (d) All bills introduced in the House shall be read by
10 title a first time and automatically referred to the Rules
11 Committee in accordance with Rule 18. After a Senate Bill is
12 received and a House member has submitted notification to the
13 Clerk of sponsorship of that bill, it shall be read by title
14 and automatically referred to the Rules Committee in accordance
15 with Rule 18.

16 (e) All bills introduced into the House shall be
17 accompanied by 1 copy. Any bill that amends a statute shall
18 indicate the particular changes in the following manner:

19 (1) All new matter shall be underscored.

20 (2) All matter that is to be omitted or superseded
21 shall be shown crossed with a line.

22 (f) No bill shall be passed by the House except on a record
23 vote of a majority of those elected, subject to Rule 69. A bill
24 that has lost on Third Reading and has not been reconsidered
25 may not thereafter be revived. If a motion for the adoption of
26 a first conference committee report fails and the motion is not

1 reconsidered, then a second conference committee may be
2 appointed as provided in Rule 76(c). If a motion for the
3 adoption of a second conference committee report fails and is
4 not reconsidered, then the bill may not thereafter be revived.

5 (Source: H.R. 59, 101st G.A.)