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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 104th 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.

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1 When the Principal Sponsor ceases to be a Representative  
2 during the term, the chief sponsorship of any of his or her  
3 pending legislative measures may be changed to another  
4 Representative upon approval by the Speaker or Minority  
5 Leader, whichever served as the Representative's caucus  
6 leader. This subsection may not be suspended.

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

13 (b-5) While a Senate Bill is pending in the Senate, a House  
14 member may file with the Clerk a request to become the  
15 Principal Sponsor of the bill upon its arrival in the House,  
16 unless a previously submitted request remains pending. A  
17 member may withdraw the member's request before arrival of the  
18 bill in the House. Notwithstanding Rule 37(a), these  
19 sponsorship requests and withdraw of requests shall be noted  
20 in the Legislative Digest and on the General Assembly website.

21 (c) The Senate sponsor of a bill originating in the Senate  
22 may request substitute House sponsorship of that bill by  
23 filing a notice with the Clerk. Such notice is automatically  
24 referred to the Rules Committee. The notice shall include the  
25 bill number, signature of the Senate sponsor, signature of the  
26 substitute House sponsor, and a statement that the original

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

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

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

22 (1) All new matter shall be underscored.

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

25 (f) No bill shall be passed by the House except on a record  
26 vote of a majority of those elected, subject to Rule 69. A bill

1 that has lost on Third Reading and has not been reconsidered  
2 may not thereafter be revived. If a motion for the adoption of  
3 a first conference committee report fails and the motion is  
4 not reconsidered, then a second conference committee may be  
5 appointed as provided in Rule 76(c). If a motion for the  
6 adoption of a second conference committee report fails and is  
7 not reconsidered, then the bill may not thereafter be revived.  
8 (Source: H.R. 36, 103rd G.A.)