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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
4 the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 104th General
5 Assembly are amended by changing Rule 30 as follows:

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(House Rule 30)

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30. Access to the House Floor and Chamber.

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(a) Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, only the
9 following persons shall be admitted to the House while it is in
10 session: members and officers of the General Assembly; elected
11 officers of the executive branch; justices of the Supreme
12 Court; the designated aide to an executive or judicial branch
13 constitutional officer, except as limited by the Speaker; the
14 parliamentarian; majority staff members and minority staff
15 members, except as limited by the Speaker or Presiding
16 Officer; former members, except as limited by the Speaker or
17 prohibited under subsection (d); and employees of the
18 Legislative Reference Bureau, except as limited by the
19 Speaker. Representatives of the press, while the House is in
20 session, may have access to the galleries and places allotted
21 to them by the Speaker or his or her designee. No person is
22 entitled to the floor unless appropriately attired. Only
23 members of the General Assembly may use telephones at the

1 members' desks. Smoking is prohibited on the floor of the
2 House and in the House galleries.

3 Members may access the House Chamber during the hours that
4 the Clerk's Office is open to the public, unless the Speaker
5 has ordered a temporary restriction on access (i) for a
6 private meeting, (ii) to prepare the room for a scheduled
7 event, (iii) for maintenance or renovations, or (iv) due to a
8 potential or confirmed security threat. During days when the
9 House is not scheduled to convene in regular session, veto
10 session, or special session, member access may be further
11 limited by the Speaker when necessary to maintain the security
12 of the House Chamber. Members may escort guests onto the House
13 floor with the approval of the Speaker pursuant to a request
14 registered with the Clerk.

15 (a-5) On any day in which the House is in session following
16 a declaration of pestilence or public danger by the Speaker,
17 the Speaker, after consultation with the Minority Leader, may
18 limit access to the House Chamber and adjoining hallways and
19 passages to members and officers of the General Assembly,
20 majority and minority staff as authorized by the Speaker or
21 Presiding Officer, and no more than 5 members of the public who
22 are representatives of the press, except as otherwise
23 authorized by the Speaker. If access is so limited, the
24 Speaker may designate one or more locations outside of the
25 House Chamber for the public to safely watch and listen to the
26 proceedings of the House and its committees via a live

1 audio/video broadcast. Access to such locations may be limited
2 as necessary to maintain safety, including, but not limited
3 to, requiring that persons at such locations follow the
4 decorum protocols of Rule 51.5(a). This subsection may not be
5 suspended.

6 (b) On days during which the House is in session, the
7 Doorkeeper shall clear the floor of all persons not entitled
8 to access to the floor 15 minutes before the convening time,
9 and the Doorkeeper shall enforce all other provisions of this
10 Rule.

11 (c) The Speaker may authorize the admission to the floor
12 of any other person, except as prohibited under subsection
13 (d).

14 (d) No person who is directly or indirectly interested in
15 defeating or promoting any pending legislative measure, if
16 required to be registered as a lobbyist or compensated by an
17 entity required to register as a lobbyist, shall be allowed
18 access to the floor of the House at any time during the
19 session. The Speaker, or his or her designee, shall have the
20 authority to determine whether a person may be granted or
21 denied access in accordance with this subsection.

22 (e) When he or she deems it necessary for the preservation
23 of order, the Presiding Officer may by order remove any person
24 from the floor of the House. A Representative may be removed
25 from the floor only under Rule 51.5 or Article XI or XII of
26 these Rules.

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