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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 103rd 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
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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 (c) The Senate sponsor of a bill originating in the Senate
14 may request substitute House sponsorship of that bill by
15 filing a notice with the Clerk. Such notice is automatically
16 referred to the Rules Committee. The notice shall include the
17 bill number, signature of the Senate sponsor, signature of the
18 substitute House sponsor, and a statement that the original
19 House sponsor was provided with notice of intent to request a
20 substitute House sponsor. A notice that satisfies the
21 requirements of this subsection shall be approved by the Rules
22 Committee. If the Rules Committee does not act on a notice that
23 satisfies the requirements of this subsection within 3
24 legislative days after its referral, then the notice is deemed
25 approved and the Clerk shall substitute sponsorship. This
26 subsection shall be in effect if, and only for so long as, the

1 Rules of the Senate include a reciprocal privilege for House
2 sponsors and the Senate complies with the rule. This
3 subsection may not be suspended.

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

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

14 (1) All new matter shall be underscored.

15 (2) All matter that is to be omitted or superseded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

17 (f) No bill shall be passed by the House except on a record
18 vote of a majority of those elected, subject to Rule 69. A bill
19 that has lost on Third Reading and has not been reconsidered
20 may not thereafter be revived. If a motion for the adoption of
21 a first conference committee report fails and the motion is
22 not reconsidered, then a second conference committee may be
23 appointed as provided in Rule 76(c). If a motion for the
24 adoption of a second conference committee report fails and is
25 not reconsidered, then the bill may not thereafter be revived.

26 (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, no

1 member of the House, other than the Speaker or the Minority
2 Leader, may introduce in the House more than 5 bills during the
3 period from the second Wednesday of January in any year to the
4 second Wednesday in January of the following year. This
5 subsection (g) may not be suspended.

6 (Source: H.R. 36, 103rd G.A.)