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Proposing amendments to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to the 2020 edition of "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure" and relating to standing committees; and providing for an effective date for the amendments.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. Rule 4, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

Rule 4. Duties of the Presiding Officer. The presiding officer of each house has the duties set forth in Section 575, MASON'S MANUAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE, **2020** [2010] edition, when not inconsistent with these Uniform Rules. In the absence of the regular presiding officer, the majority leader of the house serving ex officio as presiding officer pro tempore shall preside; except that the regular presiding officer may temporarily relinquish the chair to any member.

- * Sec. 2. Rule 20(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:
 - (a) Each house has the following standing committees with the jurisdiction indicated:

Education (the programs and activities of the Department of Education and Early Development and of the University of Alaska)

Finance (all appropriation, revenue, capital improvement, and bonding measures, the executive budget, and the programs and activities of the Department of Revenue)

Health and Social Services (the programs and activities of the Department of Health and <u>the Department of Family and Community</u> [SOCIAL] Services)

Judiciary (the programs and activities of the Alaska Court System and the Department of Law, and the legal and substantive review of bills referred to it for that purpose)

Labor and Commerce (the programs and activities of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development relating to labor-management relations, industrial safety, unemployment compensation, and workers' compensation and the programs and activities of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development that do not primarily relate to local government or to government services or functions in the unorganized borough)

Community and Regional Affairs (the programs and activities of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development that primarily relate to local government and government services or functions in the unorganized borough, and other matters relating to political subdivisions)

Resources (the programs and activities of the Departments of Fish and Game, Natural Resources, and Environmental Conservation)

Rules (interpretation of the Uniform Rules, calendar, the internal administration of the house and matters pertaining to the management of the legislature as a whole)

State Affairs (programs and activities of the Office of the Governor and the Departments of Administration, Military and Veterans' Affairs, Corrections, and Public Safety, and programs and activities of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities relating to public facilities)

Transportation (programs and activities of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities relating to transportation and other legislative matters relating to transportation).

* Sec. 3. Rule 26, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

Rule 26. Decorum in Debate. Decorum in debate is governed by the provisions of Sections 120 through 126, MASON'S MANUAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE, **2020** [2010] edition, when not inconsistent with these Uniform Rules.

* Sec. 4. Rule 55(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, is amended to read:

(a) The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in MASON'S MANUAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE, **2020** [2010] edition, implement and govern the Uniform Rules of the Legislature in all cases not covered by these Uniform Rules.

^{*} Sec. 5. The amendments proposed by this resolution take effect immediately.