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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1
57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE JOINT RULES OF THE HOUSE AND THE SENATE TO LIMIT
THE NUMBER OF BILLS A MEMBER CAN INTRODUCE OR SPONSOR IN A
LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

WHEREAS, Joint Rule 8-1 provides that joint rules may be
adopted, amended or repealed by concurrent resolution approved
by two-thirds of the membership of each house;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, THE SENATE
CONCURRING THEREIN, that Joint Rule 10-1 be amended to read:

"BILL INTRODUCTION (10-1)

A. The legislative council service shall
not draft or prepare a bill for introduction at any
regular session of the legislature that convenes in
an odd-numbered year unless the request to draft or

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1 prepare the bill for introduction has been received
2 by the legislative council service prior to 5:00
3 p.m. on the twenty-eighth calendar day of that
4 session. The legislative council service shall not
5 draft or prepare a bill for introduction at any
6 regular session of the legislature that convenes in
7 an even-numbered year unless the request to draft or
8 prepare the bill for introduction has been received
9 by the legislative council service prior to 5:00
10 p.m. on the thirteenth calendar day of that session.
11 The limitation provided in this rule does not apply
12 to the general appropriation bill, bills to provide
13 for the current expenses of the government and such
14 bills as may be referred to the legislature by the
15 governor by special message specifically setting
16 forth the emergency or necessity requiring such
17 legislation.

18 B. If an interim committee has endorsed
19 a bill, resolution or memorial, the legislative
20 council service shall draft and prepare the bill,
21 resolution or memorial for introduction in only one
22 house.

23 C. The legislative council service shall
24 draft and prepare bills, resolutions and memorials
25 requested by the governor or the various

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1 departments, institutions and agencies of the state
2 for introduction in only one house.

3 D. A member of the house or senate shall
4 not introduce more than five bills in a session of
5 the legislature."; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Joint Rule 11-1 be amended
7 to read:

8 "JOINT SPONSORSHIP (11-1)

9 A. During any session of the
10 legislature, any bill, resolution or memorial
11 introduced in the house may be cosponsored by senate
12 members by endorsing the bill, resolution or
13 memorial or by filing a written notice in open
14 session with the clerk of the house prior to third
15 reading in the house, and any bill, resolution or
16 memorial introduced in the senate may be cosponsored
17 by house members by endorsing the bill, resolution
18 or memorial or by filing a written notice in open
19 session with the clerk of the senate prior to third
20 reading in the senate. The names of the sponsor and
21 cosponsors of all bills, resolutions and memorials
22 shall be shown on the face of the enrolled and
23 engrossed legislation.

24 B. A bill shall have one lead sponsor,
25 who shall be listed first, and no more than four

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other named sponsors. There is no limit to the
number of cosponsors.

C. A member of the house or senate shall
not be the lead sponsor of more than five bills in a
session of the legislature."