

Senate Concurrent Resolution 9

Sponsored by Senator GIROD; Senators FINDLEY, THATCHER (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires committees and subcommittees of Senate and House of Representatives, and joint committees and subcommittees of Legislative Assembly, to accept remote testimony given by telephonic or electronic means. Requires Legislative Policy and Research Director to post on legislative website procedures witnesses may follow to testify remotely. Requires director to post procedures within seven calendar days of adoption of resolution.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

(1) This concurrent resolution constitutes a rule of proceeding of both the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly.

(2) Committees and subcommittees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and joint committees and subcommittees of the Legislative Assembly, shall accept remote testimony via telephonic or electronic means.

(3) Within seven calendar days of the adoption of this resolution by both houses of the Legislative Assembly, the Legislative Policy and Research Director shall post on the website of the Legislative Assembly procedures that witnesses may follow to testify remotely. The Legislative Assembly will not charge witnesses for remote testimony, but telephone or electronic access providers may assess routine charges to witnesses. The procedures may not require a witness to give notice of the witness's intent to testify earlier than two hours before commencement of the committee or subcommittee meeting at which the witness is to testify.

(4) If the contemporaneous sound recording of committee or subcommittee proceedings is inadequate to record testimony given remotely, committee staff may make a written summary of the remote testimony that satisfies all recordkeeping requirements.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.