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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

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A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ADOPTING THE SENATE RULES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

That the following Senate Rules be adopted:

RULES OF THE MONTANA

SENATE

CHAPTER 1

Administration

S10-10. Officers of the Senate. The officers of the Senate include a president, a president pro tempore, a majority leader, a minority leader, and majority and minority whips.

S10-20. Term of officers. The term of office for the officers and employees of the Senate established by rule is until the succeeding Legislature is organized. This rule may not be construed to mean the staff will be full-time employees during an interim.

S10-30. President, President pro tempore, and other officers. (1) The Senate shall, at the beginning of each regular session, and at other times as may be necessary, elect a Senator as President and a Senator as President pro tempore.

(2) The Senate shall choose its other officers and is the judge of the elections, returns, and qualifications of the Senators.

S10-40. Voting by presiding officer. Any Senator, when acting as presiding officer of the Senate, shall vote as any other Senator.

S10-50. Presiding officer and duties. (1) The presiding officer of the Senate is the President of the Senate, who must be chosen in accordance with law.

(2) The President shall take the chair on every legislative day at the hour to which the Senate adjourned at the last sitting.

1 legislative day for consideration by the Senate. Motions to approve or disapprove of the resolution are in order
2 and may be debated. Approval upon second reading constitutes confirmation of the Governor's nominee. A
3 motion to reconsider the approval or disapproval of a nomination made on second reading must occur within
4 one legislative day. A motion to reconsider may not be made if the resolution approving a confirmation is no
5 longer in the possession of the Senate.

6 **Appendix A**

7 List of Questions Requiring Other Than a Majority Vote

8 The following questions require the vote specified:

- 9 (1) a motion to lift a call of the Senate pursuant to S50-220(3) (two-thirds of the members physically or
10 remotely present);
- 11 (2) a motion to suspend rules during a regular session pursuant to S60-10 (three-fifths);
- 12 (3) a motion to override the Governor's veto pursuant to S50-250 and Article VI, section 10(3), of the
13 Montana Constitution (two-thirds);
- 14 (4) a motion to approve a bill to appropriate the principal of the coal trust fund pursuant to Article IX,
15 section 5, of the Montana Constitution (three-fourths of each house);
- 16 (5) a motion to approve a bill to appropriate highway revenue as described in Article VIII, section 6, of
17 the Montana Constitution for purposes other than those described in that section (three-fifths of each house);
- 18 (6) a motion to approve a bill proposing to amend the Montana Constitution pursuant to Article XIV,
19 section 8, of the Montana Constitution (two-thirds of the entire Legislature);
- 20 (7) an appeal of the ruling of the presiding officer pursuant to S20-10 (one Senator, seconded by two
21 other Senators);
- 22 (8) a motion to approve a bill conferring immunity from suit as described in Article II, section 18, of the
23 Montana Constitution (two-thirds);
- 24 (9) a motion to approve a bill to appropriate the principal of the tobacco settlement trust fund pursuant
25 to Article XII, section 4, of the Montana Constitution (two-thirds); ~~and~~
- 26 (10) a motion to appropriate the principal of the noxious weed management trust fund pursuant to
27 Article IX, section 6, of the Montana Constitution (three-fourths); ~~and~~
- 28 (11) a motion to remove a bill from committee and place it on second reading (28 votes).

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