

Amendments to Senate Joint Resolution No. 1
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For the (S) Free Conference

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1. Page 2, line 10 through line 11.

Strike: "adjournment" on line 10 through "scheduled" on line 11

Insert: "a new Legislature is elected and takes office"

2. Page 2, line 22.

Following: "~~1-30~~"

Insert: "as provided in Joint Rule 1-30"

3. Page 4.

Following: line 15

Insert: "**1-30. Legislator participation during session -- exclusion of members from physical participation by COVID-19 Response Panel.** In order to promote and protect the health and safety of individuals and legislative members involved in the legislative process and to minimize public health dangers resulting from the current COVID-19 public health emergency, the Legislative Leadership COVID-19 Response Panel shall determine when to limit or exclude other members from physical participation in the legislative session, and the level of physical participation of members in all committee meetings and floor sessions. The approach must be balanced by treating all members who have the same factual circumstances and potential exposure to COVID-19 in the same manner. The approach may provide for an excluded member to participate remotely as provided in Joint Rule 1-40."

4. Page 4, line 20.

Following: "~~1-30~~"

Insert: "pursuant to Joint Rule 1-30"

5. Page 18.

Following: line 15

Insert: "(5) (a) There is a Special Select Committee on Judicial Accountability and Transparency.

(b) Senate committee members must be appointed by the President of the Senate.

(c) House committee members must be appointed by the Speaker of the House.

(d) The composition of the committee must be as follows:

(i) three members of the House, two from the majority party and one from the minority party; and

(ii) three members of the Senate, two from the majority party and one from the minority party.

(e) The committee shall elect its presiding officer and vice presiding officer from among its members.

(f) All meetings of the committee are open to the public to the same extent as other legislative committee meetings.

(g) The committee may:

(i) exercise committee investigatory powers under Title 5, chapter 5, part 1, MCA;

(ii) investigate and examine state governmental activities and may examine and inspect all records, books, and files of any department, agency, commission, board, or institution of the state of Montana; and

(iii) contract for special counsel services, subject to the Legislature

appropriating funds for this purpose.

(h) The committee may meet and conduct business from the start of the legislative session until a new Legislature is elected and takes office."

6. Page 34, line 18.

Strike: "(2010)"

Insert: "(2020)"

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Note: Because the page and line numbers referred to in these amendment instructions are required to match the page and line numbers of the official bill version being amended, they will not necessarily match the page and line numbers shown in any related Amendments in Context document.