

Amendments to Senate Joint Resolution No. 1
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For the Senate Rules Committee

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1. Page 10, line 22.

Following: line 21

Insert: "30-90. Administrative committees. (1) (a) The following are administrative committees of the Legislature:

- (i) Legislative Council;
- (ii) Legislative Audit Committee; and
- (iii) Legislative Finance Committee.

(b) For the purposes of this rule, the Environmental Quality Council is considered an administrative committee.

(2) (a) Except as provided in subsection (2)(b), the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate are ex officio voting members of each administrative committee for the sole purpose of breaking a tie vote on a question before an administrative committee involving the appointment, reappointment, employment, reemployment, or retention of an individual as provided for in Title 5, chapters 11, 12, 13, and 16, MCA.

(b) If the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, or both are a members of an administrative committee, the highest ranking officer of the majority party that is not a member of the administrative committee is an ex officio voting member for the purposes of subsection (2)(a). The ranking order for the:

(i) House is Speaker pro tempore, majority leader, and majority whip; and

(ii) Senate is President pro tempore, majority leader, and majority whip."

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Explanation - This amendment is identical to a ballot sent to all members of the Legislature based on a September 24, 2020, motion passed by the Joint Rules Committee comprised of both the House Rules Committee and the Senate Rules Committee.