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H 1. HOUSE TEMPORARY RULES. Filed 1/24/07. *TO ADOPT TEMPORARY RULES FOR THE 2007 SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.* Same as the 2005 rules with the following exceptions. Rule 19(a): Adds the Majority Leader to the list of members who may call the previous question. Rule 31.1: Revises 2007 deadlines for (1) submissions of bills to Bill Drafting and (2) the introduction of bills, as follows: public bills or resolutions recommended by commissions or standing committees and bills to be introduced for departments, agencies, or state institutions—March 6 and March 14; local bills—March 20 and March 28; public bills *not* requiring re-referral to the Appropriations or Finance Committees—April 10 and April 18; public bills requiring re-referral to the Appropriations and/or Finance Committees—May 1 and May 9. Directs that any appropriations or finance bill introduced after April 18 will not be eligible for further consideration if the bill is amended to remove the qualifying appropriation or tax law change. Prohibits the introduction of blank bills. Sets Thursday, May 17, 2007, as crossover deadline. Directs that no public bill other than the Current Operations Appropriations Act or Capital Improvement Appropriations Act may contain more than one subject, except by a motion approved by the majority of House members present and voting. Exempts from Rule 31.1 bills establishing congressional, state, or local districts or measures ratifying amendments to the United States Constitution [with the exception of subsections (c1) prohibiting blank bills and (d1) prohibiting bills containing more than one subject]. Rule 44: Adds a new subsection prohibiting voting on adoption of a conference report until the next legislative day following submission of the report. Rule 59: Allows members to electronically identify themselves to the office of the principal clerk as co-sponsors of a bill or resolution within one hour after adjournment.

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