**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO AMEND RULE 5.12 OF THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, RELATING TO THE LIMITS ON CONSIDERATION OF STATEWIDE BILLS AND STATEWIDE JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND THE EXCEPTIONS TO THESE LIMITATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE, DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF A TWO‑YEAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION, THE LIMIT ON THE CONSIDERATION OF A STATEWIDE BILL OR STATEWIDE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE RECEIVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AFTER MAY FIRST.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That Rule 5.12 of the Rules of the House of Representatives is amended to read:

“5.12. No statewide bill or joint resolution, except an appropriations bill, general, supplemental, deficiency, or a joint resolution approving or disapproving regulations of a state agency ~~shall~~ may be considered unless (1) ~~such~~ the legislation is introduced in the House ~~prior to~~ before April fifteenth of the second year of a two‑year legislative session or (2) ~~such~~ in the second year of a two‑year legislative session, the legislation ~~shall have been~~ was introduced in the Senate and received by May first in the House~~, unless in either event it was introduced in the previous year and was carried over to the year in which it is to be considered;~~ *~~provided~~*~~,~~ . However, ~~that~~ nothing ~~herein shall prevent~~ in this rule prevents a statewide bill or joint resolution from being received, given first reading, and referred to the appropriate committee~~.~~, ~~No~~ but such a bill or joint resolution ~~shall~~ may not be placed on the Calendar for further consideration unless two‑thirds of those members present and voting agree to waive the rule. Once voted on and rejected, no further vote shall be allowed to waive this rule.

The motion to waive this rule ~~shall~~ is not ~~be~~ debatable, except that the mover ~~shall have the right to~~ may make a three‑minute explanation of his motion.

The provisions of this rule ~~shall~~ apply only to regular sessions of the General Assembly as opposed to special sessions of the General Assembly.

The Speaker shall enforce the deadlines provided by this rule and ~~shall~~ may not allow consideration without putting the question of waiver before the House.”

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