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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO AMEND RULE 1.9 OF THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES BY THE SPEAKER, SO AS TO IMPOSE A LIMITATION OF TEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS ON A PERSON SERVING AS THE CHAIRMAN OF ANY COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That Rule 1.9 of the Rules of the House of Representatives be amended to read:

“**1.9** All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise provided for by law, except Senatorial and Gubernatorial appointees and *ex officio* members of the House. The Speaker shall name the members constituting each committee in alphabetical order. The Chairman shall be elected by the respective committees during the organizational session. A person elected as a committee chairman may not serve more than ten consecutive years as chairman, but is re‑eligible after service of the maximum term. If any subsequent vacancy shall occur in a committee’s chairmanship, the election of a new committee chairman shall take place at the time and date to be set by the presiding officer of the respective committee. The committees may at their discretion elect a Vice‑Chairman and such other officers as they may choose.”

Be it further resolved that Rule 1.9 is effective beginning with the Organizational Session of 2010.

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