

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
EXTRA SESSION 2008**

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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

Sponsors: Representative Owens.

Referred to: Calendar for immediate consideration.

March 20, 2008

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE 2008
2 EXTRA SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES.

4 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

5 **SECTION 1.** The permanent rules of the 2007 Regular Session of the House
6 of Representatives, with the following amendments, are adopted as the permanent rules
7 of the 2008 Extra Session:

8 (1) RULE 1 shall read as follows: "RULE 1. **Convening Hour.** The
9 House shall convene each legislative day at the hour fixed by the
10 House. In the event the House adjourns on the preceding legislative
11 day without having fixed an hour for reconvening, the House shall
12 convene on the next legislative day at 10:00 A.M."

13 (2) Notwithstanding RULE 31(a), any resolution shall be introduced by
14 submitting the resolution to the Principal Clerk's Office.

15 (3) Notwithstanding RULES 31 and 31.1:

16 a. The only resolutions that may be introduced or considered in
17 the House are resolutions incorporating the findings and
18 recommendation from the report of the House Select
19 Committee to Investigate Alleged Misconduct and Other
20 Matters Included in Indictments Against Representative
21 Thomas E. Wright and resolutions to adjourn the 2008 Extra
22 Session sine die. The caption of a resolution may be amended
23 on the floor.

24 b. All bills shall be excluded from introduction or consideration in
25 the House.

26 (4) Notwithstanding Rule 50, outside counsel to the House Select
27 Committee to Investigate Alleged Misconduct and Other Matters
28 Included in Indictments Against Representative Thomas E. Wright and
29 outside counsel to Representative Thomas E. Wright may be present

1 on the floor for the sole purpose of advising the Chair and Vice Chair
2 of that Committee and Representative Wright respectively.

3 (5) Adoption of a resolution to expel a member of the House of
4 Representatives shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all
5 the members of the House, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

6 (6) RULE 31.1 shall not apply to resolutions adjourning the 2008 Extra
7 Session sine die.

8 (7) Notwithstanding RULES 32, 38, and 41, a resolution may be placed on
9 the calendar without being referred by the Speaker to a committee and
10 on the same legislative day of its introduction or receipt from the
11 Senate.

12 (8) Notwithstanding RULE 36(a), all House resolutions and joint
13 resolutions may be reported from the standing committee or permanent
14 subcommittee to which referred with recommendations as the standing
15 committee or permanent subcommittee may desire to make.

16 (9) Notwithstanding RULE 41:

17 a. The first reading and reference to a standing committee of a
18 House joint resolution shall occur on the legislative day of its
19 introduction. The first reading and reference to a standing
20 committee of a Senate joint resolution shall occur on the
21 legislative day of its receipt on messages from the Senate. The
22 Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it
23 is the second or third reading.

24 b. A joint resolution may be read more than once on the same day.

25 (10) Notwithstanding RULE 44(d), a conference report may be placed on
26 the calendar for the legislative day on which the report is received.

27 (11) Notwithstanding RULE 59, only two members may be listed as
28 primary sponsors of a resolution to expel a member of the House of
29 Representatives. No members may be listed as cosponsors of that
30 resolution.

31 **SECTION 2.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.