

By: Representative White

To: Committee of the Whole

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING THE METHOD AND MANNER OF ELECTION OF
2 OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE
4 OF MISSISSIPPI, That the House of Representatives shall proceed to
5 the election of the Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore and the Clerk
6 of the House, as follows:

7 (a) Any candidate for the Office of Speaker, Speaker
8 Pro Tempore or Clerk who receives a majority of all votes cast in
9 any ballot shall be declared elected to the office. If, after the
10 first ballot, there is not one (1) candidate who has received a
11 majority of all votes cast, then the candidate receiving the
12 lowest number of votes shall be dropped on each succeeding ballot
13 until one (1) candidate receives a majority of all votes cast.
14 The vote for each office shall be by viva voce vote, with the roll
15 of members called by house district numbers in ascending order.

16 (b) In balloting for the Office of Speaker Pro Tempore
17 and the Clerk, the Speaker shall not vote unless there is a tie
18 vote. If there is a tie vote on any ballot for those offices, the



19 Speaker shall cast the deciding vote between the candidates having
20 an equal number of votes.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in nominating candidates for the
22 Offices of Speaker, Speaker Pro Tempore and Clerk, the speeches
23 shall be limited as follows:

24 (a) For the Office of Speaker, the speeches shall be
25 limited to one (1) nominating speech and two (2) seconding
26 speeches for each candidate, and no nominating speech shall be for
27 more than five (5) minutes and no seconding speech shall be for
28 more than three (3) minutes.

29 (b) For the Office of Speaker Pro Tempore, the speeches
30 shall be limited to one (1) nominating speech and one (1)
31 seconding speech for each candidate, and no nominating speech
32 shall be for more than five (5) minutes and no seconding speech
33 shall be for more than three (3) minutes.

34 (c) For the Office of Clerk, the speeches shall be
35 limited to one (1) nominating speech and one (1) seconding speech
36 for each candidate, and no nominating or seconding speech shall be
37 for more than three (3) minutes.

