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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20

1 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND SENATE RULE 74 TO PROVIDE THAT EACH
2 SENATOR WHO IS NOT A COMMITTEE CHAIR MAY INTRODUCE NO MORE THAN 10
3 GENERAL-DEADLINE BILLS PER LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND EACH SENATOR
4 WHO IS A COMMITTEE CHAIR MAY INTRODUCE NO MORE THAN 15
5 GENERAL-DEADLINE BILLS PER LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
7 MISSISSIPPI, That Senate Rule 74 is amended to read as follows:

8 **RULES COMMITTEE**

9 74. Subject to the limits in this rule, Senators may
10 introduce bills and concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions
11 by placing them in the box at the Secretary's desk at any time, or
12 they may send them to the Secretary's desk when the order for
13 introduction is reached. All bills, concurrent resolutions and
14 Senate resolutions placed in the box or sent to the Secretary's
15 desk will be considered as being introduced on the legislative day
16 following the day on which they were placed in the box except for
17 (a) legislative days where the motion has been adopted to dispense
18 with the reading of the titles of bills and concurrent
19 resolutions, (b) bills and constitutional amendments placed in the



20 box on the day of the deadline for introduction of general bills
21 and constitutional amendments, and (c) appropriation and revenue
22 bills placed in the box on the day before the deadline for
23 original floor action on appropriation and revenue bills
24 originating in the Senate; bills and constitutional amendments
25 described in items (a), (b) and (c) of this sentence will be
26 considered as being introduced on the day on which they are placed
27 in the box. The deadlines referred to in this paragraph shall be
28 those established in the Joint Rules of the Senate and the House,
29 and the determination of what is a revenue bill for purposes of
30 this paragraph shall be as prescribed in the Joint Rules of the
31 Senate and the House.

32 In addition to any other time provided by law or by rule,
33 members of the Senate may file bills or resolutions with the
34 Secretary of the Senate at any time during the period between
35 sessions of the Legislature. Such prefiled bills shall be
36 numbered by the Secretary of the Senate and referred by the
37 President to the appropriate standing committee of the Senate for
38 study. Such prefiled bills shall be introduced in the order filed
39 on the first day of the next succeeding regular session of the
40 Legislature, or extraordinary session if included within the
41 Governor's call, and referred to committee in the regular order of
42 business of the Senate. No bills may be prefiled in any year of a
43 general election until after a member of the Senate has been
44 finally elected in the November general election.



45 Each Senator who is not a committee chair may introduce no
46 more than ten (10) general-deadline bills per legislative session,
47 and each Senator who is a committee chair may introduce no more
48 than fifteen (15) general-deadline bills per legislative session.
49 This limit shall not apply to bills with revenue, appropriations,
50 or local and private deadlines, nor shall it apply to resolutions
51 or concurrent resolutions.

