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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the
4 Rules of the House of Representatives of the 100th General
5 Assembly are amended by changing Rule 1 as follows:

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(House Rule 1)

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1. Election of the Speaker.

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(a) At the first meeting of the House of each General
9 Assembly, the Secretary of State shall convene the House at
10 12:00 noon, designate a Temporary Clerk of the House, and
11 preside during the nomination and election of the Speaker. As
12 the first item of business each day before the election of the
13 Speaker, the Secretary of State shall order the Temporary Clerk
14 to call roll members to establish the presence of a quorum as
15 required by the Constitution. If a majority of those elected
16 are not present, the House shall stand adjourned until the next
17 calendar day, excepting weekends, at the hour prescribed in
18 Rule 29. If a quorum of members elected is present, the
19 Secretary of State shall then call for nominations of members
20 for the Office of Speaker. All nominations require a second.
21 When the nominations are completed, the Secretary of State
22 shall direct the Temporary Clerk to distribute a single ballot
23 to each member ~~call the roll of the members~~ to elect the

1 Speaker. The Temporary Clerk shall then (i) collect a single
2 completed ballot from each member casting a vote in a manner
3 that maintains the secrecy of the ballot, and (ii) deliver each
4 ballot to a Tellers' Committee of 6 members appointed by the
5 Secretary of State. The Tellers' Committee membership shall not
6 include (i) any member nominated for Speaker, or (ii) more than
7 3 members who are affiliated with the same political party. The
8 Tellers' Committee, while remaining in the House chamber, shall
9 count the votes and provide a written report to the Secretary
10 of State who shall immediately announce the total votes cast
11 for each candidate.

12 (b) The election of the Speaker shall be conducted by
13 secret ballot and requires the affirmative vote of a majority
14 of those elected. Debate is not in order following nominations
15 and preceding or during the vote. No motion to reconsider the
16 vote for Speaker shall be in order.

17 Upon the completion of the election of a Clerk, the
18 Temporary Clerk shall immediately transfer to the Clerk the
19 ballots, tally sheets, and report of the Tellers' Committee for
20 the election of the Speaker, and the report of the Tellers'
21 Committee shall be entered in full in the Journal.

22 This subsection may not be suspended.

23 (c) No legislative measure may be considered and no
24 committees may be appointed or meet before the election of the
25 Speaker.

26 (d) When a vacancy in the Office of Speaker occurs, the

1 foregoing procedure shall be employed to elect a new Speaker;
2 when the Secretary of State is of a political party other than
3 that of the majority caucus, however, the Majority Leader shall
4 preside during the nomination and election of the successor
5 Speaker. No legislative measures, other than for the nomination
6 and election of a successor Speaker, may be considered by the
7 House during a vacancy in the Office of Speaker.

8 (Source: H.R. 46, 100th G.A.)