

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2009**

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**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1**

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Sponsors: Representative Owens.

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Referred to:

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January 28, 2009

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT TEMPORARY RULES FOR THE 2009 SESSION OF  
2 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

3 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

4 **SECTION 1.** The Permanent Rules of the House of Representatives for the 2007  
5 Session are adopted as the Temporary Rules of the House of Representatives for the 2009  
6 Session, except that Rule 31.1 reads:

7 "RULE 31.1. **Deadlines on Introduction and Receipt; No Blank Bills; Single**  
8 **Subject Rule.** – (a) All local bills must be submitted to the Bill Drafting Division of the  
9 Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 18, 2009, and must be  
10 introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 1, 2009.

11 (b) All public bills which would not be required to be re-referred to the  
12 Appropriations or Finance Committees under Rule 38 must be submitted to the Bill Drafting  
13 Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 26, 2009, and  
14 must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 8, 2009.

15 (c) All public bills which under Rule 38 are required to be re-referred to either  
16 or both of the Appropriations Committee or the Finance Committee, must be submitted to the  
17 Bill Drafting Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 22,  
18 2009, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 6, 2009. If any bill  
19 is subject to the deadline under this subsection and the bill is amended so that all the provisions  
20 requiring referral to either or both of those committees under Rule 38 do not remain in the bill,  
21 it is not eligible for further consideration.

22 (d) A bill containing no substantive provisions may not be introduced in the  
23 House.

24 (e) In order to be eligible for consideration by the House during the first Regular  
25 Session, all Senate bills other than finance or appropriations bills which would be required to  
26 be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committee under Rule 38 or adjournment  
27 resolutions must be received and read on the floor of the House as a message from the Senate  
28 no later than Thursday, May 14, 2009; provided that a message from the Senate received by the  
29 next legislative day stating that a bill has passed its third reading and is being engrossed shall  
30 comply with the requirements of this subsection and provided that the Senate has a similar rule.

31 (f) Except by motion approved by a majority of members of the House present  
32 and voting, no public House bill other than the Current Operations Appropriations Act or the  
33 Capital Improvement Appropriations Act may contain more than one subject.



1           (g) This rule, other than subsections (d) and (f), does not apply to bills (i)  
2 establishing districts for Congress or State or local entities, or (ii) ratifying an amendment or  
3 amendments to the Constitution of the United States."

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