

PROPOSED CREATION OF SENATE AND HOUSE RULES 339.1

1 **SECTION 1.** Senate Rule 339.1 is created as follows:

2 **339.1. Voice votes.** Except as provided in Senate Rule 340, or when a roll call vote is
3 requested under Senate Rule 320, or when a verification vote is requested under Senate
4 Rule 343, action that results in final disposition of a resolution must be taken by voice vote and
5 the results must be recorded in the journal.

6 **SECTION 2.** House Rule 339.1 is created as follows:

7 **339.1. Voice votes.** Except as provided in House Rule 340, or when a roll call vote is
8 requested under House Rule 320, or when a verification vote is requested under House
9 Rule 343, action that results in final disposition of a resolution must be taken by voice vote and
10 the results must be recorded in the journal.

NOTE: This proposed rules amendment is in response to the following question from Representative William E. Kretschmar: "Should the vote on resolutions be clarified a bit? Some can be done by voice vote, others by verification vote, and some by recorded roll call vote."

Senate and House Rules 340 require a recorded roll call vote on a resolution that provides for the expenditure of money or proposes a constitutional amendment, unless that resolution has been laid on the table, in which case the resolution is deemed finally disposed of without a roll call vote when the motion is to adjourn (Rule 315).

Senate and House Rules 320 provide for a roll call vote when requested by one-sixth of the members present (which is provided by Article IV, Section 13, of the Constitution of North Dakota).

Senate and House Rules 343 provide for verification votes when the vote has been announced.

Joint Rule 208(4) provides that a recorded roll call vote is necessary on items on the consent calendar only if a recorded roll call vote is required under Senate or House Rule 340.