

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE AND HOUSE RULES 348

1           **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Senate Rule 348 is amended:

2           **348. CLINCHER MOTION.** A motion that any action taken by the Senate be  
3 reconsidered and that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, if carried by a majority vote  
4 of the member-elect, has the effect of preventing reconsideration except upon a two-thirds vote  
5 of the members-elect. The motion must be decided without debate.

6           **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** House Rule 348 is amended:

7           **348. CLINCHER MOTION.** A motion that any action taken by the House be  
8 reconsidered and that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, if carried by a majority vote  
9 of the members-elect, has the effect of preventing reconsideration except upon a two-thirds  
10 vote of the members-elect. The motion must be decided without debate.

**NOTE:** This proposed rules amendment is in response to a question as to the vote required to adopt a clincher motion in the Senate. Because Senate Rule 348 is silent as the vote required, the vote for a clincher motion is governed by Senate Rule 318(1)(m):

- 1. The following questions require a majority vote of the members of the Senate present and voting:

[Text omitted]

- m. Any question for which another vote is not required by the Constitution or another rule.

House Rule 348 is included without amendment for comparison purposes.