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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE AND SENATE RULE 204 AND JOINT RULE 603

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Senate Rule 204 is amended as follows:

# 2 204. Preparation and distribution of the journal.

- Upon completion of the Senate journal for a legislative day, the Secretary shall deliver
  to the printer having the contract for printing the legislative journals a complete copy of
  the Senate journal.
- 2. The printer shall deliver to the Secretary copies of the Senate journal by the time, in the number and style, and on the grade of paper, as may be determined by the Legislative Council. The Secretary shall cause a copy of the Senate journal to be placed immediately on the desk of each member.
  - 3. Before the Senate goes into session again, the Committee on Correction and Revision of the Journal shall carefully examine and review the journal of the previous legislative day. The committee shall note any errors or omissions and report the errors or omissions to the Senate for action.
  - 4.3. The printer shall set aside twenty-four copies of the daily journal. Upon termination of the legislative session, the printer shall deliver these copies to the contract binder, who shall assemble the copies into twenty-four sets of permanent journals.
    - 5.4. The permanent journals must be bound in hard covers and deposited with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall preserve two sets and attach the Secretary of State's certificate to those sets showing the date of delivery and attesting that the copies are identical and official journals as delivered to the Secretary of State. From the remaining sets, the Secretary of State shall forward one set to the Supreme Court Library, one set to the Law School Library at the University of North Dakota, eight sets to the State Library, three sets to the Legislative Council, one set to the Secretary of the Senate, and one set to each judicial district as determined by the presiding judge of the district. The number of sets set aside in subsection 43 and delivered to the State Library may be reduced by five if the State Library is authorized to accept copies of the journals in an electronic format.
      - 6. The Secretary of the Senate shall compile two sets of the daily journals. The Secretary of State may distribute these sets to public officials upon their request if in the

discretion of the Secretary of State the public official needs the journals to carry on the functions of office. The Secretary of State may dispose of any of these sets not distributed by the time the next Legislative Assembly convenes.

#### **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** House Rule 204 is amended as follows:

#### 204. Preparation and distribution of the journal.

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- Upon completion of the House journal for a legislative day, the Chief Clerk shall deliver
  to the printer having the contract for printing the legislative journals a complete copy of
  the House journal.
- 2. The printer shall deliver to the Chief Clerk copies of the House journal by the time, in the number and style, and on the grade of paper, as may be determined by the Legislative Council. The Chief Clerk shall cause a copy of the House journal to be placed immediately on the desk of each member.
- 3. Before the House goes into session again, the Committee on Correction and Revision of the Journal shall carefully examine and review the journal of the previous legislative day. The committee shall note any errors or omissions and report the errors or omissions to the House for action.
- 4.3. The printer shall set aside twenty-four copies of the daily journal. Upon termination of the legislative session, the printer shall deliver these copies to the contract binder, who shall assemble the copies into twenty-four sets of permanent journals.
- 20 <del>5.</del>4. The permanent journals must be bound in hard covers and be deposited with the 21 Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall preserve two sets and attach the 22 Secretary of State's certificate to those sets showing the date of delivery and attesting 23 that the copies are identical and official journals as delivered to the Secretary of State. 24 From the remaining sets, the Secretary of State shall forward one set to the Supreme 25 Court Library, one set to the Law School Library at the University of North Dakota, 26 eight sets to the State Library, three sets to the Legislative Council, one set to the 27 Chief Clerk, and one set to each judicial district as determined by the presiding judge 28 of the district. The number of sets set aside in subsection 43 and delivered to the State 29 Library may be reduced by five if the State Library is authorized to accept copies of the 30 journals in an electronic format.
  - 6. The Chief Clerk shall compile two sets of the daily journals. The Secretary of State may distribute these sets to public officials upon their request if in the discretion of the

Secretary of State the public official needs the journals to carry on the functions of office. The Secretary of State may dispose of any of these sets not distributed by the time the next Legislative Assembly convenes.

### **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Joint Rule 603 is amended as follows:

## 603. Printing and distribution of measures and journals legislative documents.

- 1. The Legislative Council shall determine the number of copies of each bill and resolution to be printed. After the initial order is printed, the supervisor of the bill and journal room may order additional copies to be printed to meet demand.
- 2. The Legislative Council shall determine the number of copies of each bill and resolution engrossed under Senate Rule 335 and House Rule 335 to be printed, as well as the number to be printed when requested by the Secretary of the Senate or Chief Clerk of the House. After the initial order is printed, the supervisor of the bill and journal room may order additional copies to be printed to meet demand.
- 3. Bill roomLegislative employees may, as time and physical space allow, set aside notmore than one copy of each bill or resolution to be delivered to any person whosubscribes to receive a copy of each bill and resolution introduced. The employeesalso may set aside not more than one copy of each engressed bill or resolution andreengressed bill or resolution to be delivered to any person who subscribes to receive
  a copy of each bill and resolution introduced. The Legislative Procedure and
  Arrangements Committee shall establish appropriate fees for this service. Not provide
  no more than five copies of a limited number of specified bills and resolutions may be
  delivered to persons who personally request the bills and resolutions. This limit does
  not apply to legislators, legislative employees, or members of the Legislative Council
  staff.
- 4. Persons who subscribe to receive a set of bills and resolutions as of the first day of the regular session have priority for receiving bills and resolutions pursuant to this rule.
- 5. This rule does not apply to the staff of the Legislative Council which may have such number of bills set aside as are necessary to aid it in carrying on legislative business.
- 6. Bill room employees may not distribute more than five bills to any one person, except to legislators, legislative employees, and members of the Legislative Council staff, and persons who subscribe to receive more than five sets of bills and resolutions.

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2		and House Rule 204 <del>, and bill room employees shall distribute copies of daily journals</del> .
3		Legislative employees may provide copies of daily journals, daily calendars, and
4		committee hearing schedules to legislators, legislative employees, and members of
5		the Legislative Council upon request.