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Amend the Joint Rules of the House and Senate by creating new Joint Rule 23 to read:

## 23. SPECIAL SESSION BILLS

- 23-1 (a) The following shall govern bills introduced during a special session of the 65th Legislature:
  - (i) During the May 2020 special session, bills on a list first proposed by the respective majority floor leaders receiving a majority vote of the elected members of the Senate and House voting separately shall be introduced as identical or "mirror" bills in the Senate and the House. The list is debatable and amendable by floor amendments by majority vote of the elected members of the house voting on the list. Following introduction of any other bill, the bill shall be referred to the respective Senate or House rules committee;
  - (ii) During any other special session, bills on a list first proposed by the respective majority floor leaders receiving a majority vote of the elected members of the Senate and House voting separately shall be introduced and referred to the committee of the whole. The list is debatable and amendable by floor amendments by majority vote of the elected members of the house voting on the list. Following introduction of any other bill, the bill shall be referred to the appropriate standing committee by the presiding officer. All bills introduced under this paragraph shall follow the process as set forth in the Senate, House and Joint Rules, as applicable.
  - (b) As to each pair of mirror bills identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule, only one (1) of the introduced mirror bills shall be enacted into law.
  - (c) Notwithstanding any provision of Senate Rule 6-3 and House Rule 6-4 or any other rule to the contrary, following introduction in the house of origin of a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule, the mirror bill shall be referred to the committee of the whole. During committee of the whole action on a mirror bill, it shall be in order for the chairman or a member of a committee sponsoring the bill to move a recommendation on the mirror bill.
  - (d) Following committee of the whole consideration in the house of origin of a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule, the mirror bill shall be immediately accelerated

for consideration on second reading and third reading and final passage. Second and third reading will be conducted on the same legislative day as committee of the whole consideration of the mirror bill unless the second or third reading is extended to a subsequent legislative day. Third reading on the mirror bill shall commence at least ninety (90) minutes after the conclusion of second reading on the mirror bills.

- (e) The following shall govern amendments to mirror bills identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule:
  - (i) Notwithstanding Senate Rule 10-3 and House Rule 10-1, a motion to amend a mirror bill in the Senate shall be seconded by six (6) members and a motion to amend a mirror bill in the House shall be seconded by twelve (12) members;
  - (ii) It shall be out of order to propose an amendment to a mirror bill during committee of the whole consideration in the first house;
  - (iii) Second reading amendments to a mirror bill shall be submitted and distributed to members prior to committee of the whole consideration of the mirror bill.
- (f) The following shall govern speaking during the May 2020 special session:
  - (i) No member shall speak more than twice on the same question or amendment on the same day without leave of the Senate or House;
  - (ii) No member shall occupy the floor more than five (5) minutes each time the member speaks and there shall be no extensions of time under this rule. This limitation shall not apply to:
    - (A) Explanation of a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule during committee of the whole in the first house or explanation of amendments to a mirror bill under subsection (h) of this rule;
    - (B) Explanation of the report of a conference committee under subsection (k) of this rule.
- (g) Notwithstanding House Rule 7-11 or Joint Rule 4-1, upon passage by the house of origin, a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule shall be delivered directly to the second house for action without engrossing but shall be accompanied by amendments adopted by the first house. A bill

so delivered to, and in the possession of, the second house shall not be recalled for further action by the first house without the consent of the second house.

- (h) Notwithstanding Senate Rules 6-1, 7-1, 7-4 and 7-8, House Rules 6-1, 7-1, 7-4 and 7-9, and any other rule to the contrary:
  - (i) Upon introduction in the second house, a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule passed by the house of origin shall be placed and considered by the second house on third reading;
  - (ii) During third reading debate in the second house on a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a)(i) of this rule, each amendment adopted by the house of origin to its mirror bill which is not identical to an amendment adopted by the second house on its own corresponding mirror bill shall be explained on the floor by a member of the committee that sponsored the bill.
- (j) After explanation of amendments adopted by the house of origin as provided in paragraph (h)(ii) of this rule, no third reading vote will be taken on a mirror bill in the second house, and the bill shall not be sent back to the house of origin for concurrence. Rather, both mirror bills will be immediately referred to the same joint conference committee appointed by the presiding officers of both houses.
- (k) Notwithstanding Senate Rule 2-9, House Rule 2-5 and Joint Rules 2-1 through 2-3, the following rules shall govern joint conference committee action on mirror bills identified in paragraph (a) (i) of this rule:
  - (i) Both mirror bills shall be referred to a single joint conference committee as soon as third reading in the second house is completed;
  - (ii) The presiding officers of each house shall, in accordance with these rules and "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure," appoint a conference committee of three (3) to confer on the two mirror bills. A majority of each conference committee shall be appointed from the prevailing side on the vote for third reading and final passage of the mirror bill originating in that house;
  - (iii) The chairmanship for conference committees on mirror bills shall alternate as follows:
    - (A) The Senate shall have the chairmanship on the first meeting day for the first mirror bill referred to

joint conference under this rule. The House shall have the chairmanship on the first meeting day for the second mirror bill referred to joint conference under this rule. The initial chairmanship for each additional mirror bill referred to joint conference shall continue to alternate in the same manner.

- (B) After the first day a conference committee meets on a mirror bill assigned to joint conference under this rule the chairmanship shall alternate between the Senate and House for each additional day the joint conference committee meets.
- (iv) The first joint conference committee appointed is not a free committee, however, Joint Rule 2-1(b) shall apply and in addition, the conference committee may propose amendments to make language changes in the mirror bill necessary to incorporate amendments adopted by either house. Each successive committee appointed thereafter shall be a free conference committee as defined in Section 773 of "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure";
- (v) The joint conference committee shall consider and dispose of each adopted Senate amendment to the Senate mirror bill and each adopted House amendment to the House mirror bill. Only one (1) report shall be submitted for both mirror bills and only one (1) of the two (2) mirror bills referred to the committee shall be reported back to both houses. The mirror bill not reported back to both houses shall be regarded as automatically tabled;
- (vi) The signed joint conference committee report shall be simultaneously referred to both houses for concurrence.
- (m) Notwithstanding Senate Rule 12-10, House Rule 12-11 or Part II (3) of the Wyoming Manual of Legislative Procedure, a motion for reconsideration of a vote on a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a) (i) of this rule shall be in order only on the same day that the original vote was taken and only if the bill is still in the possession of that house. The vote on the motion to reconsider shall be taken no later than the last item of business on the day of the original vote. If a vote to reconsider has passed or failed on a motion under this subsection, it shall not be in order to move to rescind the vote on that motion.
- (n) The following rules shall not apply to a mirror bill identified in paragraph (a) (i) of this rule: Senate Rules 4-7, 4-8, 5-2, 6-1, 6-3, 6-5(a), 7-1, 7-3, 7-4, 7-8 and 11-1

1st sentence and House Rules 4-7, 4-8, 5-2, 6-1, 6-4, 6-6(a) and (b), 7-1, 7-3, 7-4, 7-9 and 11-1. A requirement to distribute or sign under any Senate, House or Joint Rule is satisfied by electronic means.

(o) Members who attend a special session remotely shall be considered present in person and within the bar of the respective Senate or House, shall be permitted to vote and shall be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present. All actions heretofore undertaken and performed by the Senate and House for members to attend a special session remotely and be considered present are hereby ratified and approved.