

ENGROSSED SENATE  
CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION NO. 20

By: Mickle and Wright of the  
Senate

and

Benson and Ferguson of the  
House

A Concurrent Resolution relating to Joint Rules of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature; amending Rule 17 of the Joint Rules, which relates to the legislative procedure schedule; modifying time limitations for certain legislative procedures; and suspending application of rules to certain pending legislation.

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives were forced to recess under emergency conditions on Wednesday, April 19, 1995, until Monday, April 24, 1995; and

WHEREAS, Rule 17 of the Joint Rules of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature sets a legislative procedure schedule for the First and Second Sessions of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the emergency recess has impaired the ability of the Legislature to adhere to the legislative procedures schedule; and

WHEREAS, Joint Rule 17 provides for exemption of any bill or resolution from the deadlines set in the legislative procedure schedule upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of both houses of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Joint Rule 12 provides for amendment of the Joint Rules by concurrent resolution adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of both houses of the Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the deadline for filing Conference Committee Reports for any bills or resolutions that were due on April 19, 1995, or would have been due on April 20, 1995, had the Legislature been in session, shall be extended to Tuesday, April 25, 1995.

THAT Rule 17 of the Joint Rules of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

RULE 17

LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE SCHEDULE

(a) The First Regular Session of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature shall adhere to the following rules:

1. The First Regular Session of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature shall convene at twelve o'clock noon on January 3, 1995, for the purposes only of performing the duties set forth in Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution and organizing pursuant to the provisions of Article 5 of the Constitution, and shall recess no later than five o'clock p.m. on that same day until February 6, 1995, beginning at twelve o'clock noon.

2. January 19, 1995, shall be the final date for requesting the drafting of bills and joint resolutions for introduction for consideration during the First Regular Session.

3. February 2, 1995, shall be the final date for introduction of bills and joint resolutions for consideration on the floor in the house of origin during the First Regular Session. Bills and joint resolutions subsequently introduced, if reported from Committee, shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in said house until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

4. February 23, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for reporting bills and joint resolutions from Committee in the house of origin, and the Committee Report must be properly filed in said

house within one (1) legislative day thereafter, in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the Calendar for consideration in said house during the First Regular Session. Bills and joint resolutions subsequently reported from Committee shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in said house until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

5. March 16, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a bill or joint resolution in the house of origin.

6. March 30, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for reporting bills and joint resolutions from Committee in the house opposite the house of origin, and the Committee Report must be properly filed in said house within one (1) legislative day thereafter, in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the Calendar for consideration in said house during the First Regular Session. Bills and joint resolutions subsequently reported from Committee shall not be placed on the Calendar for consideration in said house until the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session.

7. ~~April 20, 1995~~ April 25, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a bill or joint resolution in the house opposite the house of origin.

8. ~~May 3, 1995~~ May 8, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for filing Conference Committee Reports. A Conference Committee Report for any bill or joint resolution returned to the Conference Committee for further consideration after ~~May 3, 1995~~ May 8, 1995, shall be filed no later than two (2) legislative days following the date further conference is granted. Bills and joint resolutions containing appropriation matters and which are referred to the General Conference Committee on Appropriations (GCCA) shall not be subject to the provisions of this paragraph.

9. May 19, 1995, shall be the final legislative day for fourth reading and final passage of bills and joint resolutions containing appropriation matters.

10. The First Regular Session shall adjourn sine die not later than five o'clock p.m. on May 26, 1995.

11. Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of both houses, a bill or joint resolution can be exempt from all cutoff dates in both houses.

(b) The Second Regular Session of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature shall adhere to the following rules:

1. January 18, 1996, shall be the final date for requesting the drafting of bills or joint resolutions for introduction for consideration during the Second Regular Session.

2. February 1, 1996, shall be the final date for introduction of bills and joint resolutions for consideration on the floor in the house of origin during the Second Regular Session.

3. The Second Regular Session of the 45th Oklahoma Legislature shall convene at twelve o'clock noon on February 5, 1996.

4. February 22, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for reporting bills and joint resolutions from Committee in the house of origin, and the Committee Report must be properly filed within one (1) legislative day, thereafter, in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed on the Calendar for consideration during the Second Regular Session.

5. March 14, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a bill or joint resolution in the house of origin.

6. March 28, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for reporting a bill or joint resolution from Committee in the house opposite the house of origin, and the Committee Report must be properly filed in said house within one (1) legislative day thereafter, in order for the bill or joint resolution to be placed

on the Calendar for consideration in said house during the Second Regular Session.

7. April 18, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for third reading and final passage of a bill or joint resolution in the house opposite the house of origin.

8. May 1, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for filing Conference Committee Reports. A Conference Committee Report for any bill or joint resolution returned to the Conference Committee for further consideration after May 1, 1996, shall be filed no later than two (2) legislative days following the date further conference is granted. Bills and joint resolutions containing appropriation matters and which are referred to the General Conference Committee on Appropriations (GCCA) shall not be subject to the provisions of this paragraph.

9. May 24, 1996, shall be the final legislative day for fourth reading and final passage of a bill or joint resolution containing appropriation matters.

10. The Second Regular Session shall adjourn sine die not later than five o'clock p.m. on May 31, 1996.

11. Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of both houses, a bill or joint resolution can be exempt from all cutoff dates in both houses.

(c) This Rule shall be inapplicable to any bill or joint resolution dealing with reapportionment of legislative or congressional districts.

(d) This Rule shall be inapplicable to any joint resolution introduced for the purpose of disapproving or approving agency rules pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act as set forth in Section 250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

(e) This Rule shall be inapplicable to any bills introduced for the purposes of incorporation and merging different versions of a

statute amended in more than one measure at the same or different sessions of the Legislature as set forth in Section 23.1 of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

(f) This Rule shall be inapplicable to any bill or joint resolution introduced for the purpose of approving, disapproving, repealing or modifying rules of the Ethics Commission pursuant to the provisions of Article XXIX, Section 3 of the Oklahoma Constitution, or for the purpose of amending or repealing any part of the Ethics Commission Act as set forth in Section 4200 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Adopted by the Senate the 24th day of April, 1995.

President of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
1995.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives