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Bill Analysis

SCR 9 amends the Joint Rules of the 57th Legislature by adding a new section of rules relating to the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency (LOFT). The SCR establishes the name of the committee overseeing the Office as the Oversight Committee for the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency and allows the Committee to establish the dates and times by which it shall meet. The notice and agenda for each meeting shall be determined by the Co-Chairs and shall be made available to the public at least 24 hours prior to the time of the meeting. A quorum of 8 members is established by the SCR, but any action taken by the Committee shall require at least 4 members present from each chamber.

LOFT must submit an annual work plan to the LOFT Oversight Committee for approval. No member of the Legislature shall be authorized to use LOFT resources to conduct investigations, evaluations or audits except as otherwise approved by the LOFT Oversight Committee or allowed by law. The LOFT Oversight Committee shall also conduct an annual evaluation of the Office's Executive Director and recommend his or her retention or removal to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of the House.

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