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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER

LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE: Requires that the House committee chairman have the opportunity to sign a conference committee report on a House instrument before all other conferees and on a Senate instrument before other House conferees

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To adopt House Rule 6.14(C) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to  
3 provide for certain priority for House committee chairmen in signing conference  
4 committee reports.

5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana  
6 that House Rule 6.14(C) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives is hereby  
7 adopted to read as follows:

8 Rule 6.14. Conference committees; membership; appointment; signing

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10 C. The chairman of the committee that reported the instrument or the  
11 member appointed to the conference committee in place of such chairman as  
12 provided in Subparagraph (A)(2) of this Rule shall be given the opportunity to sign  
13 the conference committee report before all other conferees if the instrument being  
14 reported originated in the House of Representatives and before all other House  
15 conferees if the instrument being reported originated in the Senate.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for certain priority in signing a conference committee report for the chairman of the committee that reported the instrument or the member appointed to the conference committee in place of such chairman.

Present House Rule provides for House appointees to a conference committee as follows:

- (1) The member who authored or handled the instrument, or in his absence, a member appointed by the Speaker.
- (2) The chairman of the committee that reported the instrument, or in his absence, the vice chairman of such committee, or in their absence, a member appointed by the Speaker from among the members of such committee.
- (3) One member appointed by the Speaker.

Proposed House Rule, relative to signing a conference committee report, provides that the chairman of the House committee that reported the instrument or the member appointed to the conference committee in place of such chairman (as provided in present House Rule – see (2) above) shall be given the opportunity to sign the conference committee report before all other conferees in the case of a House instrument and before all other House conferees in the case of a Senate instrument.

(Adds House Rule 6.14(C))