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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

1 AMEND House Resolution No. 10 on line 771 by deleting the phrase "a majority" and inserting in lieu thereof the

2 phrase "three-fifths".

## **SYNOPSIS**

This amendment to the House Rules requires a three-fifths vote of the members of the House in order to suspend the House Rules. The primary purpose of the House Rules is to establish a reasonable and orderly process for the consideration of legislative proposals to be addressed by the House of Representatives. Suspension of Rules should only be necessary in unusual situations. This change will require a broad consensus (three-fifths) of all members of the House of Representatives in order to suspend rules. Since a three-fifths requirement cannot be done via a simple voice vote, and must be performed with a roll call, this change will also increase transparency by ensuring that every legislator will have their vote on the action recorded and available for public review.

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