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8 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO REPEAL SUBDIVISION (A)(3) OF SECTION 18 OF THE
10 JOINT RULES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
11 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY, WHICH CONCERNS INSTRUCTIONS TO DRAFT
13 LEGISLATION OR TO ADD A SPONSOR OR COSPONSOR ON
14 LEGISLATION.

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16 **Subtitle**

17 TO REPEAL JOINT RULES CONCERNING
18 INSTRUCTIONS TO DRAFT LEGISLATION OR TO
19 ADD A SPONSOR OR COSPONSOR ON
20 LEGISLATION.

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23 WHEREAS, the Arkansas Code and the Joint Rules of the Senate and the
24 House of Representatives both contain rules limiting how instructions
25 concerning the drafting of a bill or adding a sponsor or cosponsor to a bill
26 are to be given to the Bureau of Legislative Research; and

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28 WHEREAS, regulating the subject in both law and rule may cause
29 confusion; and

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31 WHEREAS, since the subject is addressed by law, it is not necessary to
32 also have a Joint Rule on the subject,

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34 NOW THEREFORE,

35 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
36 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:



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2 SECTION 1. Subdivision (A)(3) of Section 18 of the Joint Rules of the
3 Senate and the House of Representatives is repealed.

4 ~~(3) The staff of the Bureau of Legislative Research shall not:~~

5 ~~(a) Draft any bill, resolution, or amendment pursuant to~~
6 ~~the instructions of a lobbyist registered under Arkansas Code § 21-8-601~~
7 ~~without the prior direct approval of a member of the General Assembly;~~

8 ~~(b) List the name of any member of the Senate or the House~~
9 ~~of Representatives on any bill, resolution, or amendment without the prior~~
10 ~~direct approval of that member; or~~

11 ~~(c) List multiple sponsors on a bill unless the order in~~
12 ~~which the sponsors are listed has received the prior direct approval of the~~
13 ~~lead sponsor.~~

14 ~~The prior direct approval requirement of this rule is met when a~~
15 ~~senator or representative communicates authorization to the staff of the~~
16 ~~Bureau by telephone, email, fax, other written document, or in person.~~