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## HOUSE RESOLUTION


#### Abstract

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## Subtitle

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That House Rule 10.(a)(1) is amended to read as follows:
10.(a)(1) A caucus of the entire House of Representatives shall be held on the second Monday in January of 2006 and the second Monday in January of each even numbered year thereafter at which time the members of the House shall select by secret open and public ballot a member of the House to be known as the Speaker-designate. Each candidate for Speaker-designate shall be allowed fifteen (15) minutes to address the House before the ballot is taken. All members are required to be present for the addresses and for the election. In the event a member is unable to attend, absentee ballots may be requested by a member for himself/herself from the Speaker's Office no sooner than twenty (20) calendar days prior to the scheduled election and must be completed and returned to the Speaker's Office no later than two (2) hours before the scheduled election. Leave for absence shall be requested immediately before the time of the election. The Speaker shall announce the
name and number of votes received by the candidate who received at least a majority of the votes of the membership of the House. Each candidate shall be entitled to verify the number of votes he or she received.

