

House Resolution 192

By: Representatives Smith of the 168th, Richardson of the 19th, and Ehrhart of the 36th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives with respect to local legislation; and
- 2 for other purposes.

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the Rules of the House
4 of Representatives, as adopted by HR 11, are amended by striking Rule 18 and inserting in
5 its place a new Rule 18 to read as follows:

6 **"Rule 18."**

7 **18.1** If a majority of the members of the House whose districts are wholly or partially
8 located within a political subdivision shall file with the chairman of the Committee on State
9 Planning and Community Affairs their own rules as to the number of Representatives who
10 must sign proposed legislation affecting that political subdivision before it will be
11 favorably reported by the Committee on State Planning and Community Affairs, the
12 committee shall observe such rules in considering such legislation. Otherwise, the
13 committee shall not favorably report any legislation affecting a political subdivision unless
14 all of the Representatives whose districts are wholly or partially located within the political
15 subdivision shall sign such legislation.

16 **18.2.** When the committee staff reports to the chairman that local legislation meets the
17 technical requirements for which the staff inspects and has been signed by the requisite
18 local delegation members under Rule 18.1, the legislation shall be favorably reported as
19 a matter of course, without the necessity of action by the committee, unless otherwise
20 ordered by the chairman or the committee. Rule 13 shall not apply to legislation reported
21 under this Rule.

22 **18.2 18.3.** No local bill or resolution referred to the committee shall be released to any
23 person, including members of the House, except upon the condition that such person shall
24 return the bill or resolution to the chairman of the Committee on State Planning and
25 Community Affairs within six hours of the chairman's request to do so."