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## DIGEST

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HCR No. 5

**Abstract:** Requires audio and video of legislative proceedings in the State Capitol to be broadcast live via the Internet and recorded and maintained for viewing for at least three years.

Proposed Joint Rule requires the President of the Senate to provide that audio and video of the entirety of each Senate committee meeting be broadcast live via the Internet, that the entirety of floor proceedings of the Senate be broadcast live via the Internet on each legislative day of a session, and that audio and video of the entirety of each Senate committee meeting and of the entirety of Senate floor proceedings be recorded and maintained for a minimum of three years and available to the public for viewing through a link clearly identified on the Internet home page of the Senate.

Proposed Joint Rule requires the Speaker of the House of Representatives to provide that audio and video of the entirety of each House committee meeting be broadcast live via the Internet, that the entirety of floor proceedings of the House be broadcast live via the Internet on each legislative day of a session, and that audio and video of the entirety of each House committee meeting and the entirety of House floor proceedings be recorded and maintained for a minimum of three years and available to the public for viewing through a link clearly identified on the Internet home page of the House.

Proposed Joint Rule requires the President and the Speaker jointly to provide that audio and video of the entirety of each joint legislative committee meeting be broadcast live via the Internet, that the entirety of floor proceedings of joint sessions of the legislature be broadcast live via the Internet, and that audio and video of the entirety of each joint legislative committee meeting and the entirety of each joint session of the legislature be recorded and maintained for a minimum of three years and available to the public for viewing through a link clearly identified on the Internet home page of the legislature.

Proposed Joint Rule provides that the provisions of proposed Joint Rule shall only apply to meetings and proceedings in the State Capitol, that the provisions of proposed Joint Rule shall not apply to any meeting or floor proceeding which occurs in executive session, and that the audio and video records created pursuant to proposed Joint Rule shall not be construed as the official record of a committee meeting or floor proceeding.

Proposed Joint Rule provides that if the President, the Speaker, or both are precluded from

fulfilling the requirements of the proposed Joint Rule due to a technical problem or difficulty beyond such presiding officer's or officers' control, the failure to broadcast or record a committee meeting or floor proceeding shall not be construed in any manner to be a violation of proposed Joint Rule.

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(Adds Joint Rule No. 5)