

1                   A Senate resolution  
2 relating to conduct of Senate business during the  
3 interim between Sessions.

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5           BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota:  
6           The powers, duties and procedures set forth in this  
7 resolution apply during the interim between the adjournment of  
8 the 84th Legislature, 2005 session and the convening of the 84th  
9 Legislature, 2006 session.

10           The Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules  
11 and Administration shall appoint persons as necessary to fill  
12 any vacancies that may occur in commissions and other bodies  
13 whose members are to be appointed by the Senate authorized by  
14 rule, statute, resolution, or otherwise.

15           The Committee on Rules and Administration shall establish  
16 positions, set compensation and benefits, appoint employees and  
17 authorize expense reimbursement as it deems proper to carry out  
18 the work of the Senate.

19           The Secretary of the Senate shall classify as eligible for  
20 benefits under Minnesota Statutes, sections 3.095 and 43A.24,  
21 those Senate employees heretofore or hereafter certified as  
22 eligible for benefits by the Committee on Rules and  
23 Administration.

24           The Secretary of the Senate may employ after the close of  
25 the session the employees necessary to finish the business of  
26 the Senate at the salaries paid under the rules of the Senate  
27 for the 2005 regular session. The Secretary of the Senate may  
28 employ the necessary employees to prepare for the 2006 session  
29 at the salaries in effect at that time.

30           The Secretary of the Senate, as authorized and directed by  
31 the Committee on Rules and Administration, shall furnish each  
32 member of the Senate with postage and supplies and, upon proper  
33 verification of the expenses incurred, shall reimburse each  
34 member for expenses as authorized from time to time by the  
35 Committee on Rules and Administration.

36           The Secretary of the Senate shall correct and approve the

1 Journal of the Senate for those days that have not been  
2 corrected and approved by the Senate, and shall correct printing  
3 errors found in the Journal of the Senate for the 2005 session.  
4 The Secretary of the Senate may include in the Senate Journal  
5 proceedings of the last day, appointments by the Subcommittee on  
6 Committees to interim commissions created by legislative action,  
7 permanent commissions or committees established by statute,  
8 standing committees, official communications and other matters  
9 of record received on or after May 23, 2005.

10 The Secretary of the Senate may pay election and litigation  
11 costs as authorized by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

12 The Secretary of the Senate, with the approval of the  
13 Committee on Rules and Administration, shall secure bids and  
14 enter into contracts for remodeling and improvement of Senate  
15 office space, and shall purchase all supplies, equipment, and  
16 other goods and services necessary to carry out the work of the  
17 Senate. Contracts in excess of \$10,000 must be signed by the  
18 Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration and another  
19 member designated by the Chair.

20 The Secretary of the Senate shall draw warrants from the  
21 legislative expense fund in payment of the accounts referred to  
22 in this resolution.

23 All Senate records, including committee books, are subject  
24 to the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

25 The Senate Chamber, retiring room, committee rooms, all  
26 conference rooms, storage rooms, Secretary of the Senate's  
27 office, Rules and Administration office, and any and all other  
28 space assigned to the Senate, are reserved for use by the Senate  
29 and its standing committees only and must not be released or  
30 used for any other purpose except upon the authorization of the  
31 Secretary of the Senate with the approval of the Committee on  
32 Rules and Administration or its Chair.

33 The Custodian of the Capitol shall continue to provide  
34 parking space for members and staff of the Legislature under  
35 Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2.