

## HOUSE PRECEDENTS

### RULE 10 - MOTIONS

#### **10 - 1. (2007) REJECTION OF MULTIPLE SENATE AMENDMENTS**

**Rule** – Rule 10 of the House Rules is the main House rule governing the use of motions by the House of Representatives during the legislative session.

**History** – Upon obtaining recognition by the Presiding Officer, Representative Chris Benge offered a motion to reject Senate amendments to multiple House bills titled as appropriation measures. In the course of offering the motion, Representative Benge informed the House that the appropriation bills relevant to his motion had been published on a physical list and had been previously distributed to each member of the House.

Upon the offering of the Benge motion, Representative John Wright raised a question of the Chair as to whether or not this was a proper motion for the House to consider. The Presiding Officer informed Representative Wright that the Benge motion was an appropriate motion due to the fact that it has been the historic practice of the House to reject Senate amendments to House appropriations bills as a group.

*H. Jour., 1349-1350, 51<sup>st</sup> Leg., 1st Reg. Sess. (April 23, 2007); Daily H. Sess. Dig. Rec., 51st Leg., 1st Reg. Sess. Track 10:63, 1:19-4:06 (April 23, 2007).*

**Ruling** – It shall be the decision of the Chair that Rule 10 of the House Rules shall be interpreted to mean that a motion that purports to reject Senate amendments to multiple House appropriations measures shall be considered a proper motion.