

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

House Resolution Number 933

Whereas, the budget of the State of Missouri is required by the Missouri Constitution to balance revenues and expenditures; and

Whereas, revenue projections, mandatory expenditures, and constitutionally set spending priorities make passing the budget for fiscal year 2003 extraordinarily difficult; and

Whereas, the House Committee on Budget has scrutinized the budget as recommended by the governor and will report appropriations bills to the House which represent the best effort to balance revenues and expenditures for fiscal year 2003:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, in the perfection of appropriations bills for fiscal year 2003, will observe the following procedure, which shall for purposes of parliamentary rulings be regarded as a definitive statement of the practice of the House:

"1. No amendment to any appropriations bill shall be in order that increases the total amount of general revenue appropriated in the bill as it was reported from the Committee on Budget, except that for the operating budget (House Bills Nos. 1101 to 1112) any increase in the general revenue appropriated in a bill may also be balanced

(1) by a decrease in general revenue appropriation which results from adoption of an amendment to another operating budget bill in a manner that does not increase the total of general revenue appropriated by all of the operating budget bills considered in the aggregate as they were reported from the Committee on Budget; or

(2) by an increase in appropriation to the General Revenue Fund from the Budget Reserve Fund (House Bill No. 1114).

2. Any member offering an increasing amendment to be balanced by a decreasing amendment to another operating budget bill shall submit the amendments together. If the decreasing amendment applies to the pending bill and the amendment is adopted, the increasing amendment shall be taken up when the bill it applies to is taken up. If the decreasing amendment applies to a bill that has not been perfected, the decreasing amendment shall be taken up and disposed of first by going to the bill to be amended by the decreasing amendment. If the

decreasing amendment is adopted, the increasing amendment shall be taken up next. If the decreasing amendment is not adopted, the increasing amendment shall not be in order. Decreasing amendments shall clearly state where the increased amount of moneys would be appropriated in the event that the corresponding increasing amendment is adopted.

3. Any member offering an increasing amendment to the operating budget to be balanced by an increase in appropriation from the Budget Reserve Fund shall submit the amendments together. The amendment to House Bill No. 1114 shall be taken up and disposed of first by going to House Bill No. 1114. For adoption the amendment to House Bill No. 1114 shall require approval by two-thirds of the members elected. If the amendment to House Bill 1114 is adopted, the increasing amendment to the operating budget bill shall be taken up next. If the amendment to House Bill No. 1114 is not adopted, the increasing amendment shall not be in order."

Offered by _____
Representative Timothy P. Green
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I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. _____, adopted _____, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker