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2020 Regular Session

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House Concurrent Resolution 69

(As Adopted by House and Senate)

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE 2020 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR SUCCESSIVE PERIODS OF 30 DAYS FROM THE ENDING DATE OF THE PREVIOUS EXTENSION OF THE SESSION; TO PROVIDE THAT, UPON CERTAIN CONDITIONS, THE HOUSE AND SENATE SHALL RECONVENE AT NOON ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020, UNLESS THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JOINTLY DETERMINE THAT IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RECONVENE; TO PROVIDE THAT, UPON CERTAIN CONDITIONS, THE SPEAKER AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MAY JOINTLY DETERMINE THAT IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE HOUSE AND SENATE TO RECONVENE BEFORE OCTOBER 5, 2020, AND THE HOUSE AND SENATE SHALL RECONVENE ON THE DATE AND TIME JOINTLY DECLARED BY THE SPEAKER AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR; TO PROVIDE THAT THE HOUSE AND SENATE SHALL NOT CONVENE FOR MORE THAN A TOTAL OF SIX DAYS DURING THE SUCCESSIVE PERIODS OF EXTENSIONS AUTHORIZED BY THIS RESOLUTION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE 2020 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL STAND ADJOURNED SINE DIE AT MIDNIGHT ON OCTOBER 10, 2020, UNLESS AN EARLIER DATE IS NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH THE SIX-DAY LIMITATION OR UNLESS AN EARLIER DATE IS SET BY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE ADJUSTED TIMETABLE FOR PROCESSING LEGISLATION ISSUED BY THE SPEAKER AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 65, 2020 REGULAR SESSION, IS AMENDED BY DELETING THE DATE OF SINE DIE ON THE 188TH DAY; TO SUSPEND THE DEADLINES FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE DRAFTING, INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE OF ANY BILL, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERMITTING THE FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE OF ANY BILL, WHICH IS RELATED TO ANY ACTION, ACTIVITY, AUTHORIZATION OR EXPENDITURE TO ADDRESS OR OTHERWISE DUE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO COVID-19, AND WHICH IS AUTHORIZED TO BE DRAFTED, INTRODUCED OR CONSIDERED FURTHER BY EITHER THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE OR THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for a period of thirty (30) days from Friday, July 10, 2020, until Saturday, August 8, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the House and Senate have not adjourned sine die on or before Saturday, August 8, 2020, the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for another period of thirty (30) days, from Sunday, August 9, 2020, until Monday, September 7, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the House and Senate have not adjourned sine die on or before Monday, September 7, 2020, the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for another period of thirty (30) days, from Tuesday, September 8, 2020, until Wednesday, October 7, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the House and Senate have not adjourned sine die on or before Wednesday, October 7, 2020, the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature is extended for another period of thirty (30) days, from Thursday, October 8, 2020, until Friday, November 6, 2020, under the provisions of Section 36, Mississippi Constitution of 1890.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the United States Congress appropriates money in addition to the amount of funds appropriated on March 27, 2020, by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), or if the regulations or guidance governing the use of such funds are revised or updated after the passage of this resolution, then the House and Senate shall reconvene at Noon on Monday,

October 5, 2020, to address such events unless the Speaker of the House and the Lieutenant Governor jointly determine that it is not necessary to reconvene, in which case the House and Senate shall not reconvene on that date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if the United States Congress appropriates money in addition to the amount of funds appropriated on March 27, 2020, by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), or if the regulations or guidance governing the use of such funds are revised or updated after the passage of this resolution, then the Speaker and the Lieutenant Governor may jointly determine that it is necessary for the House and Senate to reconvene before October 5, 2020, to address such events, and the House and Senate shall reconvene on the date and time jointly declared by the Speaker and the Lieutenant Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House and Senate shall not convene for more than a total of six (6) days during the successive periods of extensions authorized by this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature shall stand adjourned sine die at 12:00 midnight on Saturday, October 10, 2020, unless an earlier date is necessary to comply with the six-day limitation provided in the immediately preceding paragraph in which case the Legislature shall stand adjourned sine die at 12:00 midnight on that date, or unless an earlier date for sine die adjournment is set by concurrent resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the adjusted Timetable for Processing Legislation issued by the Speaker and the Lieutenant Governor under the authority of House Concurrent Resolution No. 65, 2020 Regular Session, is amended by deleting the date of sine die on the 188th day, Sunday, July 12.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all of the deadlines and other provisions imposed by Joint Rule No. 40 are suspended for the purpose of the drafting, introduction, consideration and passage of any bill described as follows, and for the purpose of permitting the further consideration and passage of any bill described as follows: Any general bill, appropriation bill or revenue bill related to any action, activity, authorization or expenditure to address or otherwise due to the public health emergency with respect to the novel coronavirus identified as SARS-CoV-2, or commonly referred to as COVID-19, which is authorized to be drafted, introduced or considered further by either the House Rules Committee or the Senate Rules Committee.

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