

CALIFORNIA SENATE RULES:

Appropriations Committee

28.8. Any bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations pursuant to Joint Rule 10.5 that does not appropriate money may not be set for hearing and shall, along with any nonsubstantive amendments, promptly be reported to the Senate with the recommendation it be placed on second reading if the chair of the committee determines that (a) any additional state costs are not significant and do not and will not require the appropriation of additional state funds, and (b) the bill will cause no significant reduction in revenues.

JOINT RULES (JR10.5)

Rereferral to Fiscal and Rules Committees

10.5. A bill shall be rereferred to the fiscal committee of each house when it would do any of the following:

- (1) Appropriate money.
- (2) Result in substantial expenditure of state money by: (a) imposing new responsibilities on the state, (b) imposing new or additional duties on a state agency, or (c) liberalizing any state program, function, or responsibility.
- (3) Result in a substantial loss of revenue to the state.
- (4) Result in substantial reduction of expenditures of state money by reducing, transferring, or eliminating any existing responsibilities of any state agency, program, or function.

Concurrent and joint resolutions shall be rereferred to the fiscal committee of each house when they contemplate any action that would involve any of the following:

- (1) Any substantial expenditure of state money.
- (2) Any substantial loss of revenue to the state.

The above requirements do not apply to bills or concurrent resolutions that contemplate the expenditure or allocation of operating funds.

A bill that assigns a study to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee or to the Legislative Analyst shall be rereferred to the respective rules committees. Before the committee may act upon the bill, it shall obtain from the Joint Legislative Budget Committee an estimate of the amount required to be expended to make the study.

This rule may be suspended in either house as to any particular bill by approval of the Committee on Rules of the house and two-thirds vote of the membership of the house.