When a car cannot meet the original back half attachment criteria for a bottom splice joint, the bottom frame rail may be spliced forward of the rear seat upright per the below drawing. An interior sleeve machined to match the ID of the parent tube and have a minimum of .058" wall thickness, must extend a minimum of 3" on each side of the splice, and/or past the seat upright and rear seat cross member, whichever is greater. There shall be a minimum of 1" between the end of the interior sleeve in the cockpit and the end of the interior step sleeve from the back half. All standard construction practices and existing 2.3N specifications shall apply to the interior sleeves and splice joint.