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**RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE JOINT RULES OF THE SENATE
AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.**

Resolved by this Assembly:

1 That the following shall be the Joint Rules of the Senate and House
2 of Representatives for the regular sessions of the General Assembly
3 and for interim periods during the 2017-2018 legislative term.

4 MESSAGES BETWEEN CHAMBERS

5 1. Messages from one chamber to the other shall be delivered to the
6 presiding officer.

7 JOINT CONVENTIONS

8 2. Joint conventions shall be held in the Hall of the House. Either
9 chamber may request a convention stating the purposes thereof in its
10 message. The President of the Senate shall preside. The President and

11 the Speaker shall make reports to their respective chambers of the
12 proceedings of the convention which shall be printed in the respective
13 journals.

14 JOINT COMMITTEES

15 3. (a) *Designation of Committees.* There shall be twenty-two joint
16 standing committees as provided in subsection (b) of this rule. There
17 shall be three statutory committees as provided in subsection (c) of this
18 rule. Committees shall consider all matters referred to them and report
19 as required by these rules.

20 (b) *Standing Committees.* Each joint standing committee shall
21 consist of not more than nine senators and not more than thirty-five
22 representatives, except that the joint standing committees on
23 Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding shall consist of not
24 more than thirteen senators and not more than forty-five
25 representatives, and the joint standing committee on judiciary shall
26 consist of not more than eleven senators and not more than thirty-five
27 representatives. The joint standing committees shall be divided into
28 Group A and Group B as follows:

29 GROUP A

30 (1) A committee on APPROPRIATIONS that shall have cognizance
31 of all matters relating to appropriations and the operating budgets and
32 all matters relating to state employees' salaries, benefits and
33 retirement, teachers' retirement, veterans' pensions and collective
34 bargaining agreements and arbitration awards for state employees. In
35 addition, any bills or resolutions carrying or requiring appropriations,
36 or creating or enlarging a state mandate to local governments, defined
37 in subsection (a)(2) of section 2-32b of the general statutes, and
38 favorably reported by any other committee, except the payment of
39 claims by the state, shall be referred to the committee, unless such
40 reference is dispensed with by at least a two-thirds vote of each
41 chamber, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to

42 their fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills or
43 resolutions and shall not extend to their other substantive provisions
44 or purpose, except to the extent that such other provisions or purpose
45 relate to the fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills or
46 resolutions.

47 (2) A committee on EDUCATION that shall have cognizance of all
48 matters relating to (A) the Department of Education and the Office of
49 Early Childhood, and (B) school building projects, local and regional
50 boards of education, the substantive law of collective bargaining
51 covering teachers and professional employees of such boards,
52 vocational rehabilitation, and libraries, including the State Library,
53 museums and historical and cultural associations.

54 (3) A committee on ENVIRONMENT that shall have cognizance of
55 all matters relating to (A) the Department of Energy and
56 Environmental Protection concerning the preservation and protection
57 of the air, water and other natural resources of the state and the
58 Department of Agriculture, including farming, dairy products and
59 domestic animals, and (B) conservation, recreation, pollution control,
60 fisheries and game, state parks and forests, water resources and flood
61 and erosion control, and the preservation and protection of the air,
62 water and other natural resources of the state.

63 (4) A committee on FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING that
64 shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of
65 Revenue Services, and (B) finance, revenue, capital bonding and
66 taxation. Any bill or resolution favorably reported by another
67 committee relating to finance, revenue, capital bonding, taxation,
68 employer contributions for unemployment compensation purposes, all
69 matters relating to the Department of Revenue Services and the
70 revenue aspects of the Gaming Division within the Department of
71 Consumer Protection shall be referred to the committee, provided the
72 committee's consideration shall be limited to the financial provisions
73 and purposes of such bill or resolution, such as finance, revenue,

74 bonding, taxation and fees, and shall not extend to the other
75 substantive provisions or purposes, except to the extent that such other
76 provisions or purposes relate to the financial provisions of such bills or
77 resolutions.

78 (5) A committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND
79 ELECTIONS that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) (i)
80 the Department of Administrative Services, including purchasing and
81 central collections, but excluding personnel and labor relations, fire
82 marshals, the fire safety code, the state building code and school
83 building projects, (ii) the administrative functions of the Office of
84 Governmental Accountability, including the office's personnel and
85 employment policies and information technology, and (iii) the
86 Freedom of Information Commission, the Office of State Ethics, the
87 Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board and the State Elections Enforcement
88 Commission, (B) state government organization and reorganization,
89 structures and procedures, (C) leasing, construction, maintenance,
90 purchase and sale of state property and facilities, (D) state and federal
91 relations, (E) interstate compacts, (F) compacts between the state and
92 Indian tribes, (G) constitutional amendments, and (H) all matters
93 relating to elections and election laws. Any bill favorably reported by
94 another committee that authorizes the conveyance of real property, or
95 any interest therein, by the state, or any resolution favorably reported
96 by another committee that proposes a constitutional amendment shall
97 be referred to the committee on Government Administration and
98 Elections.

99 (6) A committee on JUDICIARY that shall have cognizance of all
100 matters relating to (A) the Judicial Department, the Department of
101 Correction and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities,
102 (B) courts, judicial procedures, criminal law, probate courts, probation,
103 parole, wills, estates, adoption, divorce, bankruptcy, escheat, law
104 libraries, deeds, mortgages, conveyancing, preservation of land
105 records and other public documents, the law of business organizations,
106 uniform laws, validations, authorizations to sue and to appeal, claims

107 against the state, (C) all (i) judicial nominations, (ii) nominations of
108 workers' compensation commissioners, and (iii) nominations of
109 members of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and (D) all bills
110 carrying civil penalties that exceed the sum of, or that may exceed in
111 the aggregate, five thousand dollars. Any bill favorably reported by
112 another committee that carries a criminal penalty, other than an
113 infraction, shall be referred to the committee, provided the committee's
114 consideration shall be limited to the criminal penalties established in
115 such bill and shall not extend to the other substantive provisions or
116 purposes of such bill.

117 (7) A committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT that shall
118 have cognizance of all matters relating to local governments, housing,
119 urban renewal, fire, sewer and metropolitan districts, home rule,
120 planning and zoning, regional planning and development activities,
121 the state plan of conservation and development and economic
122 development programs impacting local governments.

123 (8) A committee on PUBLIC HEALTH that shall have cognizance of
124 all matters relating to (A) the Department of Public Health, the
125 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Service and the
126 Department of Developmental Services, and (B) health, including
127 emergency medical services, all licensing boards within the
128 Department of Public Health, nursing homes, pure foods and drugs,
129 and controlled substances, including the treatment of substance abuse.

130 (9) A committee on TRANSPORTATION that shall have cognizance
131 of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Transportation, the
132 Office of the State Traffic Administration and the Department of Motor
133 Vehicles, and (B) transportation, including highways and bridges,
134 navigation, aeronautics, mass transit and railroads.

135 **GROUP B**

136 (10) A committee on BANKING that shall have cognizance of all
137 matters relating to (A) the Department of Banking, and (B) banks,

138 savings banks, bank and trust companies, savings and loan
139 associations, credit unions, the supervision of the sale of securities,
140 fraternal benefit societies and secured and unsecured lending.

141 (11) A committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY that shall have
142 cognizance of all matters relating to (A)(i) the Public Utilities
143 Regulatory Authority, and (ii) the Department of Energy and
144 Environmental Protection concerning energy, energy policy planning
145 and regulation, telecommunications, information systems and related
146 technology, and (B) energy, energy policy planning and regulation,
147 telecommunications, information systems and related technology.

148 (12) A committee on GENERAL LAW that shall have cognizance of
149 all matters relating to (A) the Department of Consumer Protection,
150 except legalized gambling, and (B) alcoholic beverages, fair trade and
151 sales practices, consumer protection, mobile homes and occupational
152 licensing, except licensing by the Department of Public Health.

153 (13) A committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE that shall
154 have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Insurance
155 Department, and (B) insurance law and real estate law.

156 (14) A committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES that shall
157 have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Labor Department,
158 (B) workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, conditions
159 of employment, hours of labor, minimum wages, industrial safety,
160 occupational health and safety, labor unions and labor disputes, and
161 (C) conditions of employment of state and municipal employees and
162 the substantive law of state and municipal employees' collective
163 bargaining.

164 (15) A committee on HUMAN SERVICES that shall have cognizance
165 of all matters relating to the Department of Social Services, including
166 institutions under its jurisdiction, the Office of Protection and
167 Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities and the Department of
168 Rehabilitation Services.

169 (16) A committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY that shall
170 have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of
171 Emergency Services and Public Protection, and (B) civil preparedness
172 and homeland security, state police, the state-wide organized crime
173 investigative task force, municipal police training, fire marshals, the
174 fire safety code, the state building code, and legalized gambling.

175 (17) A committee on COMMERCE that shall have cognizance of all
176 matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community
177 Development and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated.

178 (18) A committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT
179 ADVANCEMENT that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to
180 (A) the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of
181 Higher Education, and (B) public and independent institutions of
182 higher education, private occupational schools, post-secondary
183 education, job training institutions and programs, apprenticeship
184 training programs and adult job training programs offered to the
185 public by any state agency or funded in whole or in part by the state.

186 (19) A committee on HOUSING that shall have cognizance of all
187 matters relating to housing.

188 (20) A committee on AGING that shall have cognizance of all
189 matters relating to senior citizens.

190 (21) A committee on CHILDREN that shall have cognizance of all
191 matters relating to (A) the Department of Children and Families,
192 including institutions under its jurisdiction, and (B) children.

193 (22) A committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS that shall have
194 cognizance of all matters relating to military and veterans' affairs,
195 except veterans' pensions.

196 (c) *Statutory Committees.* In addition, there shall be:

197 (1) The committee on LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT that shall

198 conduct the business affairs of the General Assembly. The committee
199 shall be responsible for the operation of the General Assembly,
200 coordination and supervision of committee work, improvement of
201 legislative operations, deciding on matters of organization, procedures,
202 facilities and working conditions of the General Assembly,
203 compensation of employees of the legislative branch, and the
204 facilitation of positive relationships with the federal government and
205 other state governments. All bills and resolutions relating to such
206 matters may be referred to the committee. The committee shall consist
207 of (A) twenty members of the House who shall be (i) the Speaker, (ii)
208 the deputy speakers, (iii) the majority leader, (iv) four members
209 appointed by the Speaker, (v) three members appointed by the
210 majority leader, (vi) the minority leader, (vii) two deputy minority
211 leaders appointed by the minority leader, and (viii) five members
212 appointed by the minority leader, and (B) fourteen members of the
213 Senate who shall be (i) the President Pro Tempore, (ii) the Senate
214 Majority Leader, (iii) five members appointed by the President Pro
215 Tempore, (iv) the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore, (v) the
216 Deputy Senate Republican President Pro Tempore, and (vi) five
217 members appointed by the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore.
218 In matters of legislative operations, the legislative commissioners and
219 the clerks of each chamber shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting
220 members of the committee. The committee shall be chaired by the
221 President Pro Tempore, the Speaker and the Senate Republican
222 President Pro Tempore. A majority of the membership shall constitute
223 a quorum and all actions shall require the affirmative vote of a
224 majority. At any meeting, if a committee member present of either
225 chamber requests, a vote of the majority of the members present of
226 each chamber shall be required for approval of a question.

227 (2) The committee on EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE
228 NOMINATIONS shall consist of (A) nineteen members of the House
229 who shall be (i) the majority leader, or the majority leader's designee,
230 (ii) the minority leader, or the minority leader's designee, (iii) ten
231 members appointed by the Speaker, and (iv) seven members

232 appointed by the minority leader, and (B) eight members of the Senate
233 who shall be (i) the Senate Majority Leader, or the Senate Majority
234 Leader's designee, (ii) the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore,
235 or the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore's designee, (iii) three
236 members appointed by the President Pro Tempore, and (iv) three
237 members appointed by the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore.
238 The chairpersons and ranking members of the committee or
239 committees having cognizance of matters relating to the duties of a
240 nominee for the position of a department head, as defined in section 4-
241 5 of the general statutes, shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members
242 of the committee on executive and legislative nominations for the
243 consideration of such nomination. All executive and legislative
244 nominations requiring action of either or both chambers, except
245 judicial nominations, nominations of workers' compensation
246 commissioners and nominations of members of the Board of Pardons
247 and Paroles, shall be referred to the committee on executive and
248 legislative nominations.

249 (d) *Committee Appointments.* Appointments of committee
250 members, except to fill a vacancy caused by death or incapacity or by
251 resignation from the General Assembly or a committee of the General
252 Assembly, shall be made on or before the fifth regular session day of
253 the first year of the term and, except as otherwise provided in the rules
254 of each chamber, shall be for the entire term for which the members
255 were elected. Committee appointments of a member elected after the
256 fifth regular session day of the first year of the term shall be made not
257 later than five calendar days after the member takes the oath of office,
258 and may be made, at the discretion of the appointing authority, to any
259 committee.

260 Senate and House committees shall be appointed and organized in
261 accordance with the rules of each chamber.

262 **LEADERS ON COMMITTEES**

263 4. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House,

264 the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore, the Senate Majority
265 Leader, the Deputy Senate Republican President Pro Tempore and the
266 majority and minority leaders of the House shall be ex-officio members
267 of all committees, with the right to be present at all meetings and to
268 take part in deliberations but without the right to vote, except as to
269 those committees to which they are appointed members.

270 **COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES**

271 5. (a) *Scheduling*. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of
272 this rule and in Rule 15, the House chairperson and at least one Senate
273 chairperson of a committee shall jointly schedule meetings during
274 periods when the General Assembly is in session as follows:

275 (1) Committees may meet on any day from January 4 through
276 January 13 in 2017 and from February 7 through February 9 in 2018.
277 The House chairperson and at least one Senate chairperson of a
278 committee shall jointly call a meeting during said period in 2017 for
279 the purpose of organization and to consider such other business as is
280 deemed necessary.

281 (2) Beginning on January 16 in 2017 and on February 13 in 2018, and
282 ending on the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions in
283 such year, as provided in Rule 15, Group A committees shall meet on
284 Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only and Group B committees
285 shall meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays only.

286 (3) Statutory committees, as described in subsection (c) of Rule 3,
287 may meet on any day.

288 (4) Committees, except conference committees, may not meet during
289 a session of either chamber without the consent of each chamber which
290 is in session.

291 (b) *Exceptions to Scheduling Requirements*.

292 (1) The committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and

293 Bonding may meet on any day. The committee on Judiciary may meet
294 on any day after March 24 in 2017 and after March 21 in 2018.

295 (2) Any committee may meet at the State Capitol or in the
296 Legislative Office Building on any day, provided certification of a
297 significant need for the meeting is made in writing by the Speaker of
298 the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or their
299 designees.

300 (3) If, in any week, the designated meeting day of a committee falls
301 on a holiday or on a day when the State Capitol or Legislative Office
302 Building is officially closed, the committee may meet on another day,
303 not so designated, within seven calendar days before or after such day,
304 provided certification of the need for the meeting is made, in writing,
305 by one of the following: The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the
306 Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader or the majority
307 leader of the House and all reasonable efforts have been made to notify
308 each member of the committee of the meeting.

309 (c) *Conduct of Meetings.* A chairperson or a vice chairperson shall
310 convene all meetings. If a meeting, other than a meeting on the day of
311 the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions, as provided in
312 Rule 15, is not so convened within fifteen minutes following its
313 scheduled starting time, the meeting shall be deemed cancelled. In all
314 meetings of joint committees, and at all public hearings held by such
315 committees, the Senate and House chairpersons shall mutually agree
316 as to who shall preside, and in the absence of such agreement (1) a
317 Senate chairperson and the House chairperson shall alternately
318 preside, and (2) the Senate chairpersons shall alternately preside
319 whenever a Senate chairperson presides. A chairperson shall recognize
320 each member wishing to be heard prior to ordering the vote on the
321 final question of a favorable or unfavorable report, a favorable change
322 of reference or the boxing of a bill or resolution. All questions of order,
323 hearings and other proceedings including the raising of bills or
324 resolutions and questions relating to evidence shall be determined by a

325 majority of votes but, (A) if the majority of the committee members
326 present of either chamber so request, the committee members of each
327 chamber shall separately determine all questions, or (B) immediately
328 upon a request by either Senate chairperson, the committee members
329 of the Senate shall separately determine any question related to a
330 Senate bill or resolution, other than a motion to raise, draft or hear
331 such Senate bill or resolution. A vote of a committee may be
332 reconsidered only at the next regular meeting of the committee, except
333 that any vote on the day of the committee's deadline to report bills and
334 resolutions as provided in Rule 15, may be reconsidered at the same
335 meeting not later than 5:00 p.m.

336 (d) *Final Action*. Except as otherwise provided, at each committee
337 meeting, the vote on the final question of a favorable or unfavorable
338 report, a favorable change of reference or the boxing of a bill or
339 resolution shall be recorded to show the names of the members voting
340 yea and the members voting nay. No motion to dispense with the
341 recording of the names of the members voting yea and the members
342 voting nay shall be entertained and no bill or resolution shall be
343 reported to either chamber unless the names of the members voting
344 yea and the members voting nay have been recorded and a record of
345 the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay has
346 been attached to the bill or resolution submitted to the Legislative
347 Commissioners' Office as provided in Rule 13. A copy of the voting
348 record shall be sent to the clerk of the appropriate chamber, by the
349 Legislative Commissioners' Office, with the favorably or unfavorably
350 reported bill or resolution and retained by the clerks.

351 (e) *Proxies*. No member may vote by proxy and no committee shall
352 record a vote cast by any member as a proxy for any other member.

353 (f) *Notice Requirements*. Notice of the date, time and place of
354 committee meetings during periods when the General Assembly is in
355 session shall be (1) given to the clerk of each chamber at least one day
356 in advance of the meeting, and (2) when practicable, (A) given to the

357 Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the next Legislative Bulletin,
358 and (B) posted on the General Assembly's web site. The committee
359 clerks shall post notice of the meetings in a conspicuous place in or
360 near their respective committee offices.

361 (g) *Exception to Notice Requirements.* A meeting may be held on
362 less than one calendar day's notice, provided announcement of the
363 meeting is made from the floor of the Senate or House during a session
364 and the House chairperson and at least one Senate chairperson have
365 approved the date, time, place and agenda for the meeting. Such
366 approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. If the announcement
367 cannot be made in one or both chambers because no regular session is
368 being held on that day, an emergency meeting may still be held,
369 provided certification of the need for the meeting is made, in writing,
370 by one of the following: The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the
371 Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader or the majority
372 leader of the House, and all reasonable efforts have been made to
373 notify each member of the committee of the meeting.

374 (h) *Agendas.* An agenda, approved by the House chairperson and at
375 least one Senate chairperson, shall be prepared for each meeting and
376 made available at least one day before the meeting, except that for a
377 meeting held under subsection (g) of this rule, the agenda shall be
378 prepared and made available prior to the meeting. Items not on the
379 agenda may be considered upon a majority vote of the committee
380 members present.

381 (i) *Substitute Language.* A committee clerk shall, as soon as
382 practicable, post on the committee's web site any written substitute
383 language offered at a committee meeting by a committee member that
384 has been prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office and
385 assigned an LCO number by that office and reported favorably
386 without any changes at such committee meeting.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

388 6. (a) *Scheduling.*

389 (1) A committee may hold subject matter public hearings on any
390 subject and on specified proposed bills and proposed resolutions, and
391 on committee and raised bills and resolutions, during sessions, except
392 that subject matter public hearings on proposed bills and proposed
393 resolutions shall be held not later than twenty-one calendar days in
394 2017 and fourteen calendar days in 2018 before the committee's
395 reporting out date designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15.

396 (2) Public hearings shall be scheduled for the convenience of the
397 public and in accordance with the schedule for committee meetings of
398 that committee as provided in Rule 5.

399 (3) In the event of inclement weather on the day on which a
400 committee has scheduled a public hearing:

401 (A) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have been
402 officially closed due to inclement weather:

403 (i) If the hearing has been convened prior to the official closing, the
404 committee may continue the hearing or may recess the hearing as
405 provided in subsection (c)(5) of this rule.

406 (ii) If the hearing has not been convened prior to the official closing,
407 the hearing shall be deemed cancelled and shall be rescheduled
408 pursuant to subsection (a)(3)(D) of this rule.

409 (B) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have not been
410 officially closed:

411 (i) If the hearing has been convened, the committee may recess the
412 hearing as provided in subsection (c)(5) of this rule.

413 (ii) If the hearing has not yet been convened, the House chairperson
414 and at least one Senate chairperson of the committee may cancel the
415 hearing if, in their opinion, the seriousness of the weather conditions is

416 likely to reduce substantially the attendance at the hearing by
417 members of the public or members of the committee.

418 (C) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have not been
419 officially closed, the committee clerk shall give notice of cancellation to
420 the clerk of each chamber and shall post notice of the cancellation in a
421 conspicuous place in or near the committee office, at the location of the
422 scheduled hearing and on the General Assembly web site.

423 (D) The House chairperson and at least one Senate chairperson of
424 the committee shall reschedule a cancelled hearing on the earliest
425 feasible date that is on a day specified for that committee in Rule 5(a)
426 or 5(b) or on any other day with the approval of the President Pro
427 Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority
428 Leader or the majority leader of the House. The committee clerk shall
429 give notice of the rescheduled hearing to the clerk of each chamber
430 and, when practicable, to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in
431 the next Legislative Bulletin and shall post notice of the rescheduled
432 hearing in a conspicuous place in or near that committee office and on
433 the General Assembly web site. The notice of the rescheduled hearing
434 shall include the date, time, place and subject matter of the
435 rescheduled hearing, together with a list of the numbers and titles of
436 each bill and resolution to be considered, which subject matter and list
437 shall be identical to the subject matter and list in the notice of the
438 original hearing. The notice of the rescheduled hearing is not subject to
439 subsection (b) of this rule if the notice of the original hearing complied
440 with said subsection (b).

441 (4) Committees may group bills and resolutions by subject matter
442 and schedule hearings so that similar bills and resolutions are heard at
443 the same time.

444 (b) *Notice Requirements.* During the periods when the General
445 Assembly is in session, notice of the date, time, place and subject
446 matter of each hearing, together with a list of the numbers and titles of
447 each bill and resolution to be considered shall be published in the

448 Legislative Bulletin at least five calendar days in advance of the
449 hearing. In no event shall a bill or resolution be listed for a hearing
450 unless copies of the bill or resolution have been made in accordance
451 with section 2-23 of the general statutes, and the original bill or
452 resolution has been returned from the printer and is in the possession
453 of the committee.

454 For the purpose of meeting the hearing requirements under this
455 rule, the day of publication in the Legislative Bulletin during the time
456 the General Assembly is in session and the day of the hearing shall
457 both be counted as full days.

458 (c) *Conduct of Hearings.*

459 (1) *Convening and Procedures.* A chairperson or a vice chairperson
460 shall convene all hearings. If a hearing is not so convened within
461 fifteen minutes following its scheduled starting time, any member of
462 the committee may convene that hearing. The time of commencement
463 of the public hearing shall be designated in the published notice. The
464 order of testimony of the witnesses and the length of time that each
465 witness may testify shall be determined by the presiding chairperson
466 who shall give due regard for the convenience of the public. Members
467 of the public who wish to testify at a public hearing may place their
468 names on a list, which shall be made available at a time and place to be
469 determined by the House chairperson and at least one of the Senate
470 chairpersons. Members of the public shall either (A) place their own
471 name on the list, if they wish to testify, or (B) place the name of one
472 other person on the list who will testify. Members of the public placing
473 the name of another person on the list shall also place their own name
474 on the list next to the name of the person who will testify. The
475 placement of another person's name on the list by a person who
476 receives a fee solely for that service shall be ineffective and the person
477 so named shall not be permitted to testify.

478 (2) *Testimony by Public Officials.* A committee may permit
479 legislators who are not members of the committee, representatives of

480 state agencies, and municipal chief elected officials testifying in their
481 official capacity to testify during but not beyond the first hour of a
482 public hearing. The public portion of the hearing shall be
483 uninterrupted by testimony from a legislator, a representative of a
484 state agency or a municipal chief elected official. If any legislators,
485 representatives of state agencies or municipal chief elected officials are
486 unable to testify during the first hour, they may testify at the end of the
487 hearing after all members of the public wishing to testify have been
488 heard.

489 (3) *Written Testimony.* Legislators, representatives of state agencies,
490 municipal chief elected officials and members of the public may
491 submit to the committee written testimony on a bill or resolution or
492 subject matter in person, by mail or facsimile transmission, or
493 electronically at any time and the written testimony may be included
494 by the committee in the transcript of the hearing. If the written
495 testimony is not included in the transcript, it shall be attached to the
496 transcript. Committee chairpersons should encourage a witness to
497 submit a written statement and confine oral testimony to a summary of
498 that statement, but the full written statement shall be included in or
499 attached to the transcript of the hearing.

500 (4) *Notifying Other Committees.* Each bill or resolution referred by
501 one committee to another with a favorable report shall be accompanied
502 by a notation of the date or dates on which public hearings were held
503 by the first committee. The chairpersons of any committee other than
504 Appropriations or Finance, Revenue and Bonding to which any bill or
505 resolution calling for an appropriation or a bond issue is referred shall
506 notify the chairpersons of the committee on Appropriations or Finance,
507 Revenue and Bonding of the date, time and place of the hearing
508 thereon.

509 (5) *Recessing.* The committee may recess any public hearing to a
510 date, time and place specified at the time of the recess, which shall be
511 on a day specified for that committee in Rule 5(a) or 5(b) or on any

512 other day with the approval of the President Pro Tempore of the
513 Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader or the
514 majority leader of the House. The committee clerk shall give notice of
515 any hearing recessed to another date to the clerk of each chamber and,
516 when practicable, to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the
517 next Legislative Bulletin, and shall post notice of the recessed hearing
518 in a conspicuous place in or near that committee office.

519 **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS GENERALLY**

520 7. (a) *Definitions.* As used in these rules:

521 (1) "Proposed bill" means a bill drafted in informal, non-statutory
522 language setting forth the substance of a proposal;

523 (2) "Proposed resolution" means a resolution drafted in informal,
524 non-statutory language setting forth the substance of a proposal;

525 (3) "Committee bill" means a bill drafted in formal statutory
526 language that incorporates the principles expressed in a proposed bill
527 or proposed bills;

528 (4) "Committee resolution" means a resolution drafted in formal
529 statutory language that incorporates the principles expressed in a
530 proposed resolution or proposed resolutions;

531 (5) "Raised bill" means an original bill drafted in formal statutory
532 language raised by a committee without reference to a proposed bill or
533 proposed bills;

534 (6) "Raised resolution" means an original resolution drafted in
535 formal statutory language raised by a committee without reference to a
536 proposed resolution or proposed resolutions;

537 (7) "Emergency certified bill" means a bill drafted in formal
538 statutory language that is certified by the President Pro Tempore of the
539 Senate and the Speaker of the House to be of an emergency nature,

540 pursuant to subsection (c) of Rule 9; and

541 (8) "Governor's bill" means a bill drafted in formal statutory
542 language that accompanies the Governor's budget or other message.

543 (b) *Numbering*. Senate bills shall be numbered from 1 to 5000, House
544 bills shall be numbered from 5001 to 9999 and resolutions shall be
545 numbered starting with 1 in each chamber.

546 (c) *Preparation and Alteration*. Each proposed bill, proposed
547 resolution, committee bill, raised bill, committee resolution, raised
548 resolution, emergency certified bill and Governor's bill shall be
549 prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. No such bill or
550 resolution shall be altered after such bill or resolution has been filed,
551 except by the legislative commissioners, in accordance with the
552 provisions of Rule 13.

553 (d) *Form and Format*. (1) Each proposed bill, proposed resolution,
554 committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill, raised resolution,
555 emergency certified bill and Governor's bill shall be printed without
556 interlineation or erasure. All such bills and resolutions shall be printed
557 on white-colored and yellow-colored paper and filed with the clerk of
558 the chamber of the introducer in the form required by these rules. Each
559 copy of such bill or resolution shall include the number of such bill or
560 resolution, the session of introduction, the introducer or introducers of
561 such bill or resolution, and, if applicable, the committee to which it
562 was referred. In the case of a committee bill or committee resolution,
563 each copy of such committee bill or committee resolution shall also
564 include the names of any co-sponsors.

565 (2) Each committee bill, raised bill, emergency certified bill or
566 Governor's bill amending a statute or special act shall set forth in full
567 the section or subsection of the statute or the special act to be
568 amended. Text to be deleted or repealed shall be surrounded by
569 brackets or overstricken so that the deleted or repealed text remains
570 readable, and new text shall be indicated by capitalization, underlining

571 or italics. In the case of a section or subsection not amending an
572 existing section of the general statutes but intended to be part of the
573 general statutes, the section or subsection shall be preceded by the
574 word (NEW).

575 (e) *Statement of Purpose.* At the conclusion of each proposed bill,
576 proposed resolution, committee bill and raised bill there shall be a
577 statement of its purpose in not more than one hundred fifty words, to
578 be printed under the caption "STATEMENT OF PURPOSE". The
579 statement of purpose shall not be a part of such bill or resolution for
580 consideration and enactment into law.

581 (f) *Sponsors.* (1) Any member of the General Assembly may co-
582 sponsor (A) a proposed bill or proposed resolution by requesting the
583 Legislative Commissioners' Office, in writing, to add such member's
584 name to such proposed bill or proposed resolution in its possession, or
585 (B) a proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee
586 resolution, raised bill, raised resolution, emergency certified bill or
587 Governor's bill by requesting the clerk of the chamber in which such
588 bill or resolution has been filed, in writing, to add such member's name
589 as a co-sponsor of such bill or resolution, provided such request is
590 made not later than the date of the signing of such bill, or the deadline
591 for the signing of such bill, by the Governor, whichever is earlier, or
592 the date of the adoption of such resolution.

593 (2) A member of the General Assembly may request the clerk of the
594 chamber in which a proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill,
595 committee resolution, raised bill, raised resolution, emergency certified
596 bill or Governor's bill was filed, in writing, to remove such member's
597 name as an introducer or a co-sponsor of such bill or resolution,
598 provided such request is made not later than the time specified in
599 subsection (f)(1)(B) of this rule. The clerk shall notify the Legislative
600 Commissioners' Office of such removal and the member's name shall
601 be removed from the legislative database for such bill or resolution.

602 (g) *Clerks' Certified Copies.* The clerk of each chamber shall certify

603 and keep on file in the clerk's office at all times a duplicate copy of
604 each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee
605 resolution, raised bill and raised resolution. The certified duplicate
606 copy shall be made on yellow-colored paper of the same size and
607 format as the original. If the original proposed bill, proposed
608 resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill and raised
609 resolution cannot be located, a copy of the certified duplicate copy of
610 such bill or resolution shall be made by the clerk and used in lieu of
611 such original. The clerk shall make a notation on the original of the
612 certified duplicate copy of all action taken on the original proposed
613 bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised
614 bill and raised resolution.

615 (h) *Copies.* Sufficient copies of proposed bills, proposed resolutions,
616 committee bills, committee resolutions, raised bills, raised resolutions
617 and Governor's bills shall be prepared, in accordance with section 2-23
618 of the general statutes, for use by the General Assembly and the public
619 and shall be available in the legislative bill room.

620 (i) *Types of Bills and Resolutions in 2018 Session.* In the 2018
621 session, only the following bills and resolutions may be introduced:
622 Those (1) relating to budgetary, revenue and financial matters, (2)
623 raised by committees of the General Assembly, and (3) relating to
624 matters certified in writing by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate
625 and the Speaker of the House to be of an emergency nature.

626 PROPOSED BILLS AND PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

627 8. (a) *Introduction by Members. Deadline.* Members of the General
628 Assembly may introduce proposed bills or proposed resolutions for
629 consideration by the joint standing committees and the Legislative
630 Management committee. The deadline for members of the General
631 Assembly to submit a request to the Legislative Commissioners' Office
632 to draft a proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be January 13,
633 2017, for the 2017 session and on February 9, 2018, for the 2018 session,
634 in each session at 5:00 p.m. or at an hour the presiding officer of each

635 chamber designates. The chamber of origin for a proposed bill or
636 proposed resolution shall be the chamber of the first introducer of such
637 proposed bill or proposed resolution.

638 (b) *Preparation.* At the request of any member of the General
639 Assembly, the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall prepare a
640 proposed bill or proposed resolution and return the proposed bill or
641 proposed resolution to the member who submitted the request or file
642 the proposed bill or proposed resolution with the clerk of the
643 appropriate chamber not later than twelve days after the receipt of the
644 request in 2017, and not later than ten days after the receipt of the
645 request in 2018, unless the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and
646 the Speaker of the House consent, in writing, to a request by a
647 legislative commissioner for an extension of time.

648 (c) *Suggested Committee Referral.* The Legislative Commissioners'
649 Office shall make a notation as to the suggested committee reference
650 for each proposed bill and proposed resolution based on its subject
651 matter. The clerk of the appropriate chamber shall, on introduction of
652 each such proposed bill or proposed resolution, make a tentative
653 reference for the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Senate
654 Republican President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or the Speaker of the
655 House.

656 (d) *Receipt by Clerk; Initial Reference to Committee.* The clerk of
657 the Senate or House shall receive each proposed bill and proposed
658 resolution and shall cause copies to be prepared in accordance with
659 subsection (h) of Rule 7. After copies of the proposed bill or proposed
660 resolution have been made, the proposed bill or proposed resolution
661 shall receive its first reading as set forth in Rule 16. The President Pro
662 Tempore of the Senate or the Republican President Pro Tempore of the
663 Senate, or the Speaker of the House, shall refer the proposed bill or
664 proposed resolution to the appropriate joint standing committee or the
665 Legislative Management committee and then send such proposed bill
666 or proposed resolution to the other chamber for concurring reference.

667 The original of the proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be
668 delivered forthwith to the clerk of the appropriate committee.

669 COMMITTEE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS, RAISED BILLS AND
670 RESOLUTIONS, EMERGENCY CERTIFIED BILLS AND
671 GOVERNOR'S BILLS

672 9. (a) *Committee Bills and Committee Resolutions.*

673 (1) *Introduction.* Committee bills and committee resolutions may be
674 introduced only by committees. A committee, upon receiving the
675 proposed bills or proposed resolutions referred to it pursuant to Rule
676 8, may separate them into subject categories and may vote to have
677 committee bills or resolutions on the subjects prepared by the
678 Legislative Commissioners' Office. Each committee bill and committee
679 resolution shall be (A) identified as a committee bill or committee
680 resolution, (B) endorsed with the signature of the House chairperson
681 and at least one signature from a Senate chairperson of the committee,
682 except such chairperson may permit the vice chairperson of the same
683 chamber to sign any such bill or resolution, (C) filed with the clerk of
684 the appropriate chamber, and (D) assigned a number in accordance
685 with the provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection.

686 (2) *Deadlines.*

687 (A) *Initial Committee Action.* The deadline for committees to vote
688 (i) to reserve proposed bills and proposed resolutions for subject
689 matter public hearings under Rule 6, or (ii) to have the Legislative
690 Commissioners' Office prepare committee bills and committee
691 resolutions shall be 5:00 p.m. on the following dates in 2017:

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| T1 | January 31 | Aging |
| T2 | | Banking |
| T3 | | Housing |
| T4 | | Children |
| T5 | | Veterans' Affairs |

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| T6 | February 2 | Energy and Technology |
| T7 | | Higher Education and Employment Advancement |
| T8 | | Insurance and Real Estate |
| T9 | | General Law |
| T10 | | Public Safety and Security |
| T11 | February 7 | Labor and Public Employees |
| T12 | | Legislative Management |
| T13 | | Commerce |
| T14 | | Human Services |
| T15 | February 8 | Education |
| T16 | | Environment |
| T17 | | Planning and Development |
| T18 | | Public Health |
| T19 | | Transportation |
| T20 | February 15 | Government Administration and Elections |
| T21 | | Judiciary |
| T22 | | Finance, Revenue and Bonding |
| T23 | | Appropriations |

692 In 2018, such deadline shall be 5:00 p.m. on February 21 for the
693 committees in Group A and on February 22 for the committees in
694 Group B and the Legislative Management committee.

695 (B) *Committee Action on Bills and Resolutions Reserved for Subject*
696 *Matter Public Hearings.* The deadline for committees to vote to have
697 the Legislative Commissioners' Office prepare committee bills and
698 committee resolutions based on proposed bills or proposed resolutions
699 that have been reserved for subject matter public hearings under
700 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and on which subject matter
701 public hearings have been held under Rule 6 shall be 5:00 p.m. on the
702 seventeenth calendar day in 2017 and the tenth calendar day in 2018
703 prior to the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions in such
704 year, as provided in Rule 15.

705 (3) **Numbering.** Each committee bill and committee resolution shall
706 have the same number and chamber of origin as the proposed bill or
707 proposed resolution on which it is based. Such number and chamber
708 of origin shall be used in any reference to such proposed bill, proposed
709 resolution, committee bill or committee resolution. When a committee
710 bill is based on two or more proposed bills, or a committee resolution
711 is based on two or more proposed resolutions, the members of the
712 committee shall designate the proposed bill or proposed resolution
713 number to be used on the committee bill or committee resolution. The
714 numbers of any other proposed bills or proposed resolutions that the
715 committee bill or committee resolution is based on shall be listed at the
716 end of the committee bill or committee resolution with the names of
717 the introducers and co-sponsors. The number of any committee bill or
718 committee resolution based on proposed bills or proposed resolutions
719 on which subject matter public hearings have been held under Rule 6
720 shall be determined by the committee in the same manner as provided
721 in this subdivision.

722 (b) **Raised Bills and Raised Resolutions.**

723 (1) **Introduction.** Raised bills and raised resolutions may be
724 introduced only by committees. A committee may vote to raise bills
725 and resolutions and have such raised bills or raised resolutions
726 prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. Each raised bill
727 and raised resolution shall be (A) identified as a raised bill or raised
728 resolution, (B) endorsed with the signature of the House chairperson
729 and at least one signature from a Senate chairperson of the committee,
730 except such chairperson may permit the vice chairperson of the same
731 chamber to sign any such bill or resolution, (C) filed with the clerk of
732 the appropriate chamber, and (D) assigned a number by such clerk.

733 (2) **Deadline. Exceptions.** (A) Except as otherwise provided in
734 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the deadline for committees to
735 vote to have the Legislative Commissioners' Office prepare raised bills
736 and raised resolutions shall be, (i) in 2017, (I) 5:00 p.m. on February 15

737 for the committees in Group A, and (II) 5:00 p.m. on February 14 for
738 the committees in Group B and the Legislative Management
739 committee, and (ii) in 2018, (I) 5:00 p.m. on February 23 for the
740 committees in Group A, and (II) 5:00 p.m. on February 22 for the
741 committees in Group B and the Legislative Management committee.

742 (B) The following may be raised at any time: (i) Bills or resolutions
743 to provide for the current expenses of government, (ii) emergency
744 certified bills or resolutions the President Pro Tempore of the Senate
745 and the Speaker of the House certify in writing to be, in their opinion,
746 of an emergency nature, (iii) bills or resolutions the Governor requests
747 in a special message addressed to the General Assembly, which
748 message sets forth the emergency or necessity requiring such bills or
749 resolutions, and (iv) the legislative commissioners' revisor's bill.

750 (c) *Emergency Certified Bills.* Emergency certified bills may be
751 introduced by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the
752 Speaker of the House. Such bills shall be certified by the President Pro
753 Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to be of an
754 emergency nature. Each emergency certified bill shall be identified
755 simply as a bill, filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and
756 assigned a number by such clerk.

757 (d) *Governor's Bills.*

758 (1) *Introduction.* Any fully drafted bill accompanying the
759 Governor's budget or other message may be introduced by the
760 legislative leaders of the Governor's party in the Senate and the House,
761 provided one copy of each bill is supplied by the Governor to the
762 legislative leaders of both parties. Each bill accompanying the
763 Governor's budget or other message shall be identified as a Governor's
764 bill, filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and assigned a
765 number by such clerk.

766 (2) *Suggested Committee Referral; Receipt by Clerk; Initial*
767 *Reference to Committee.* The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall

768 make a notation as to the suggested committee reference for each
769 Governor's bill based on its subject matter. The clerk of the appropriate
770 chamber shall, on introduction of each such Governor's bill, make a
771 tentative reference for the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the
772 Speaker of the House. The clerk of the Senate or House shall receive
773 each Governor's bill.

774 **SUBSTITUTE BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS**

775 10. A bill or resolution redrafted with a favorable report by a
776 committee shall be reported as a substitute bill or resolution.

777 Any substitute bill or resolution reported favorably shall be printed
778 on white-colored and yellow-colored paper and filed with the clerk of
779 the chamber where the bill or resolution originated. The yellow-
780 colored copy shall be certified by the clerk and shall be kept at all times
781 in the clerk's office. If the original bill or resolution cannot be located, a
782 copy of the certified copy shall be made by the clerk and used in lieu of
783 the original. The clerk shall make a notation on the certified copy of all
784 action taken on the original.

785 **PETITION FOR PREPARATION OF BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS**

786 11. Not later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh calendar day after the
787 deadline of a committee to request the drafting of a committee bill or
788 resolution, set forth in Rule 9, any member of the General Assembly
789 may present to the clerk of the member's chamber, who shall present
790 the same to the Legislative Commissioners' Office, a written petition
791 requesting preparation of a bill or resolution based on a proposed bill
792 or proposed resolution, introduced or co-sponsored by such member
793 and previously referred to such committee, unless the proposed bill or
794 resolution has been scheduled for a subject matter public hearing to be
795 held after the committee's deadline to request a committee bill or
796 resolution, in which case the petition may be presented not later than
797 5:00 p.m. on the seventh calendar day before the committee's reporting
798 out date designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15. The petition

799 shall be signed in the original by at least fifty-one members of the
800 House if a House petition and by at least twelve members of the Senate
801 if a Senate petition. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall
802 prepare the requested bill or resolution and forward it to the clerk of
803 the chamber of origin for processing and referral to the appropriate
804 committee which shall hold a public hearing on the bill or resolution,
805 except that if the committee has already held a subject matter public
806 hearing on the bill or resolution no further public hearing shall be
807 required.

808 AMENDMENTS

809 12. All amendments to any bill or resolution in the Senate or House
810 shall be prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. An
811 original of each amendment to be offered and a copy of such
812 amendment shall be printed. The clerk of the appropriate chamber
813 shall certify the copy of each amendment and keep such certified copy
814 in such clerk's office at all times.

815 LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS'
816 PROCESS AFTER COMMITTEE ACTION

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818 13. (a) *Receipt*. When a committee reports a bill or resolution
819 favorably it shall be submitted forthwith to the Legislative
820 Commissioners' Office which shall immediately enter the receipt of the
821 bill or resolution in the legislative database and notify the Office of
822 Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of the bill or
823 resolution number and the committee's action.

824 (b) *Examination and Correction*. The legislative commissioners shall
825 examine the bill or resolution and make any correction therein as may
826 be necessary for the purpose of avoiding repetition and
827 unconstitutional provisions, and of ensuring accuracy in the text and
828 references, clearness and conciseness in the phraseology and
829 consistency with existing statutes. Whenever the legislative
830 commissioners make any changes in a bill or resolution, other than

831 corrections of spelling, grammar, punctuation or typographical errors
832 the correction of which in no way alters the meaning, they shall
833 prepare a statement which describes each change, where it was made,
834 and explicitly why they made the change. This statement shall be
835 entered into the legislative database and printed with the file copy of
836 the bill or resolution and shall bear the same file number as the bill or
837 resolution.

838 (c) *Deadline.* Unless the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker
839 consent, in writing, to a request by a legislative commissioner for an
840 extension of time, the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall complete
841 its examination of the bill or resolution within ten calendar days,
842 excluding holidays, after its receipt. If the bill or resolution is approved
843 by a commissioner, the commissioner shall notify the Office of Fiscal
844 Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of the approval and, if
845 a substitute, furnish each office with a copy of the bill or resolution for
846 preparation of a fiscal note and bill analysis and, when requested
847 pursuant to Rule 15(c)(2), a racial and ethnic impact statement. Unless
848 the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker consent, in writing, to a
849 request by the director of the Office of Fiscal Analysis or the director of
850 the Office of Legislative Research for an extension of time, a legislative
851 commissioner shall transmit the bill or resolution with his or her
852 approval to the clerk of the chamber in which it originated within five
853 calendar days, excluding holidays, after such notice.

854 (d) *Bills or Resolutions Returned to Committee.* If the
855 commissioner finds upon completion of the examination of a bill or
856 resolution that the bill or resolution is unconstitutional or is already
857 law, the commissioner shall return the bill or resolution to the
858 committee and shall notify the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office
859 of Legislative Research of its return. Whenever a bill or resolution has
860 been so returned to the committee, it may nevertheless be reported
861 favorably by the committee and be returned to the Legislative
862 Commissioners' Office for completion of the procedures prescribed
863 above, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15. If a bill or resolution

864 is returned after the committee's reporting out date designated in the
865 schedule shown in Rule 15, the committee shall take such action before
866 the start of the session on the third regular session day of the chamber
867 making the referral after the bill or resolution is returned by the
868 Legislative Commissioners' Office. The clerk shall enter it on the
869 calendar under a heading "Favorable Report, Matter Not Approved by
870 Legislative Commissioner" unless the committee reports a substitute
871 bill or resolution which the legislative commissioners approve.

872 (e) *Change of Reference.* Favorable changes of reference shall be
873 treated as provided in this rule except that no fiscal note or bill
874 analysis shall be required. When a committee votes a straight change
875 of reference, the bill or resolution shall be submitted to the Legislative
876 Commissioners' Office which shall prepare the change of reference
877 jacket and deliver the bill or resolution to the clerk of the chamber of
878 origin. Reading and referral of straight changes of reference shall be by
879 printing in the House and Senate journals.

880 **REPORTING OF BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS**

881 14. Except as provided in Rules 19 and 20, all bills and joint
882 resolutions reported by any committee shall be first reported to the
883 chamber of origin, but any bill or resolution favorably reported by
884 only one chamber shall first be reported to that chamber regardless of
885 the chamber of origin.

886 **FINAL COMMITTEE ACTION**

887 15. (a) *Deadline for Favorable Reports.* The deadline for committees
888 to vote to report favorably and submit bills and resolutions proposing
889 amendments to the constitution and other substantive resolutions to
890 the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall be 5:00 p.m. on the dates
891 designated in the following schedule:

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| T24 | Committee | 2017 | 2018 |
| T25 | Aging | March 7 | March 15 |
| T26 | Children | March 7 | March 15 |

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| T27 | Veterans' Affairs | March 7 | March 15 |
| T28 | Housing | March 9 | March 15 |
| T29 | Banking | March 9 | March 22 |
| T30 | General Law | March 14 | March 20 |
| T31 | Labor and Public Employees | March 14 | March 22 |
| T32 | Legislative Management | March 15 | March 19 |
| T33 | Public Safety and Security | March 16 | March 20 |
| T34 | Insurance and Real Estate | March 16 | March 22 |
| T35 | Transportation | March 20 | March 23 |
| T36 | Commerce | March 21 | March 27 |
| T37 | Higher Education and Employment | March 21 | March 20 |
| T38 | Advancement | | |
| T39 | Energy and Technology | March 23 | March 29 |
| T40 | Human Services | March 23 | March 27 |
| T41 | Environment | March 24 | March 23 |
| T42 | Education | March 27 | March 26 |
| T43 | Planning and Development | March 27 | March 26 |
| T44 | Public Health | March 29 | March 28 |
| T45 | Government Administration and Elections | March 29 | March 28 |
| T46 | Judiciary | April 7 | April 4 |
| T47 | Appropriations | April 27 | April 5 |
| T48 | Finance, Revenue and Bonding | April 28 | April 6 |

892 (b) *Hearing Requirement for Favorable Report.* Except as provided
893 in Rule 32 (2)(A), no bill and no resolution proposing an amendment to
894 the constitution or other substantive resolution shall be reported
895 favorably by a committee unless a public hearing has been held as
896 provided in Rule 6, but no further public hearing shall be required for
897 a favorable report on a substitute for such bill or resolution, provided
898 the substitute is based on or is germane to the subject matter of the
899 original bill or resolution, or for a bill or resolution petitioned under
900 Rule 11 on which a subject matter public hearing has been held.

901 (c) *Fiscal Notes and Bill Analyses; Bills or Resolutions*
902 *Unfavorably Reported; List of Reported Bills or Resolutions.* (1) Any
903 bill or resolution reported favorably by any committee which if passed
904 or adopted, would affect state or municipal revenue or would require
905 the expenditure of state or municipal funds, shall have a fiscal note

906 attached, as required by section 2-24 of the general statutes with
907 respect to bills. The fiscal note for a bill or resolution and the analysis
908 of a bill shall be printed with the bill or resolution and shall bear the
909 same file number as the bill or resolution. Any fiscal note printed with
910 or prepared for a bill or resolution and any analysis of a bill printed
911 with or prepared for a bill, are solely for the purpose of information,
912 summarization and explanation for members of the General Assembly
913 and shall not be construed to represent the intent of the General
914 Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. Each such fiscal
915 note and bill analysis shall bear the following disclaimer: "The
916 following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for
917 the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for
918 purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not
919 represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof
920 for any purpose." When an amendment is offered to a bill or resolution
921 in the House or the Senate, which, if adopted, would require the
922 expenditure of state or municipal funds or affect state or municipal
923 revenue, a fiscal note shall be available at the time the amendment is
924 offered and, in the case of an amendment which is substantially similar
925 to a favorably-reported bill for which a racial and ethnic impact
926 statement has been prepared pursuant to this rule, such fiscal note may
927 include a copy of such impact statement. Any fiscal note prepared for
928 such an amendment shall be construed in accordance with the
929 provisions of this rule and shall bear the disclaimer required under this
930 rule. Each fiscal note prepared under this subdivision shall include a
931 brief statement of the sources of information, in addition to the general
932 knowledge of the fiscal analyst, consulted or relied on to calculate the
933 fiscal impact.

934 (2) Whenever a committee reports a bill favorably which, if passed,
935 would increase or decrease the pretrial or sentenced population of
936 correctional facilities in this state, a majority of the committee members
937 present may request that a racial and ethnic impact statement be
938 prepared. The racial and ethnic impact statement shall be prepared by
939 the Office of Legislative Research and the Office of Fiscal Analysis,

940 which may, in the preparation of such statement, consult with any
941 person or agency including, but not limited to, the Judicial Branch, the
942 Office of Policy and Management, the Department of Correction and
943 the Connecticut Sentencing Commission. The statement shall indicate:
944 (A) Whether the bill would have a disparate impact on the racial and
945 ethnic composition of the correctional facility population and an
946 explanation of that impact, (B) that it cannot be determined whether
947 the bill would have a disparate impact on the racial and ethnic
948 composition of the correctional facility population, or (C) that the
949 offices cannot determine within the time limitation specified in Rule
950 13(c) whether the bill would have a disparate impact on the racial and
951 ethnic composition of the correctional facility population. The racial
952 and ethnic impact statement shall be attached to and printed with the
953 bill and shall bear the same file number as the bill. Any racial and
954 ethnic impact statement printed with or prepared for a bill is solely for
955 the purpose of information, summarization and explanation for
956 members of the General Assembly and shall not be construed to
957 represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof
958 for any purpose. Each racial and ethnic impact statement shall bear the
959 following disclaimer: "The following Racial and Ethnic Impact
960 Statement is prepared for the benefit of the members of the General
961 Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and
962 explanation and does not represent the intent of the General Assembly
963 or either chamber thereof for any purpose."

964 (3) All bills or resolutions unfavorably reported by a committee
965 shall be submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office not later
966 than 5:00 p.m. on the final reporting out date for favorable reports for
967 that committee, designated in the schedule shown in this rule.

968 (4) The legislative commissioners shall prepare a list of the bills or
969 resolutions submitted to them which at the deadline time for each
970 committee are not printed and in the files and the clerks shall print the
971 same in the House and Senate journals.

972 (d) *Bills or Resolutions Not Acted on by Committee; Bills or*
973 *Resolutions Not Printed and in Files.* All bills or resolutions not acted
974 on by the committees within the time limits established by this section
975 shall be deemed to have failed in committee, except that (1) a bill or
976 resolution shall be reported to the chamber in which it originated if the
977 Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or
978 in the case of a Senate bill or resolution, the Speaker of the House and
979 both the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Senate
980 Republican President Pro Tempore of the Senate, certify, in writing,
981 the facts which in their opinion necessitate it being acted on by the
982 General Assembly or (2) if a majority of the members of either chamber
983 present to the clerk of such chamber a written petition as provided by
984 Rule 19, requesting that a bill or resolution be reported, it shall be
985 reported to the chamber in which the petition originated. Any bill or
986 resolution not printed and in the files of the members of the General
987 Assembly may be acted upon by the General Assembly if the Speaker
988 of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or in the
989 case of a Senate bill or resolution, the Speaker of the House and both
990 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Senate Republican
991 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, certify, in writing, the facts
992 which in their opinion necessitate an immediate vote on the bill or
993 resolution, in which case a copy of the bill or resolution, accompanied
994 by a fiscal note, shall nevertheless be upon the desks of the members,
995 but not necessarily printed, before the bill or resolution is acted upon.

996 (e) *Bills Authorizing Conveyance of Real Property by State.*
997 Notwithstanding any provision of these rules to the contrary (1) no bill
998 authorizing the conveyance of real property, or any interest therein, by
999 the state of Connecticut to any person or entity shall be printed or
1000 placed on the calendar or in the files for action unless the bill has
1001 received a favorable or unfavorable report from the joint standing
1002 committee on government administration and elections, and (2) no bill
1003 which has been amended to authorize the conveyance of real property,
1004 or any interest therein, by the state of Connecticut to any person or
1005 entity shall be passed by either chamber unless such bill, as amended,

1006 has been referred to the joint standing committee on government
1007 administration and elections, and that committee has reported
1008 favorably or unfavorably on such amended bill to the chamber from
1009 which it was referred at any time thereafter but before the start of the
1010 session on the third regular session day of the chamber making the
1011 referral after the date that the motion to refer is adopted, but no later
1012 than seven calendar days after such date of adoption.

1013 (f) *Referral of Bill or Resolution by Chamber to Committee After*
1014 *Deadline.* (1) Whenever a bill or resolution favorably or unfavorably
1015 reported by one committee is referred by the House or the Senate to
1016 another committee after its deadline under subsection (a) of this rule
1017 has passed, the committee receiving such referred bill or resolution
1018 shall meet to consider such bill or resolution on any day of the week
1019 and at any time (A) before the start of the session of the third regular
1020 session day of the referring chamber after the date that the motion to
1021 refer is adopted, or (B) not later than seven calendar days after such
1022 date of adoption, whichever occurs first. Such committee may take the
1023 following action on such referred bill or resolution: (i) report it
1024 favorably or unfavorably in accordance with the provisions of
1025 subdivisions (2) and (3) of this rule, (ii) box it, or (iii) take no action.
1026 Under no circumstances shall such committee refer such bill or
1027 resolution to another committee.

1028 (2) If the committee reports the bill or resolution favorably or
1029 unfavorably, and the bill or resolution has not been amended in either
1030 chamber, the committee may report a substitute bill or resolution, in
1031 which case, there shall be a reprinting of the file. The entry on the
1032 calendar in both chambers shall indicate the actions of the committee.

1033 (3) If the committee reports the bill or resolution favorably or
1034 unfavorably, and the bill or resolution has been amended in either
1035 chamber, the committee shall include in its report its recommendation
1036 on the adoption or rejection of each amendment, and may submit
1037 additional amendments to be offered on the floor. In such a case there

1038 shall be no reprinting of the file. The entry on the calendar in both
1039 chambers shall indicate the actions and recommendations of the
1040 committee.

1041 **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS - READINGS**

1042 16. First reading of all bills and resolutions shall be (1) by the
1043 acceptance by each chamber of a printed list of bills and resolutions,
1044 prepared by the clerks of the House and Senate, setting forth numbers,
1045 introducers, titles and committees to which referred, or (2) by title,
1046 number and reference to a committee.

1047 Second reading shall be the report of a committee.

1048 Third reading shall be passage or rejection of a bill or adoption or
1049 rejection of a resolution on the calendar. Each bill and each resolution
1050 proposing an amendment to the constitution shall receive three
1051 readings in each chamber prior to passage or adoption, and no bill or
1052 resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution shall be read
1053 twice on the same day.

1054 **FAVORABLE REPORTS**

1055 17. (a) *Committee Clerk's Signature.* When the House and Senate
1056 members of any committee jointly vote to report a committee or raised
1057 bill or resolution favorably, the committee clerk shall sign the
1058 committee report form.

1059 (b) *Resolutions on Appointments and Nominations.* A favorable
1060 report by a joint standing committee of a resolution concerning a
1061 General Assembly appointment or a nomination requiring joint
1062 confirmation and a favorable report of any committee to which
1063 executive and legislative nominations are referred shall be tabled for
1064 the calendar and printed by number and title only. The report may be
1065 accepted and the resolution adopted after it has appeared on the
1066 calendar for two days.

1067 (c) *File Copies Available to Members.* All bills and all resolutions
1068 proposing amendments to the constitution and other substantive
1069 resolutions reported favorably by the committees to which they have
1070 been referred, or by a majority of the members of the Senate or House
1071 committee making the report, before third reading, shall be laid upon
1072 the table, and sufficient copies of each bill or resolution together with
1073 the number of committee members voting yea and the number voting
1074 nay shall be printed under the supervision of the Legislative
1075 Commissioners' Office for the use of the General Assembly.

1076 (d) *Timing of Action by Chambers.* Each bill and each joint
1077 resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution and each other
1078 substantive resolution so printed shall be in the files and on the
1079 calendar with a file number for two session days and shall be starred
1080 for action on the session day next succeeding, except that: (1) A bill or
1081 resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general
1082 statutes, if filed in the House, may be transmitted to and acted upon
1083 first by the Senate with the consent of the Speaker; and if filed in the
1084 Senate, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the House with
1085 the consent of the President Pro Tempore, (2) any bill or resolution
1086 certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes may be
1087 acted upon immediately and may be transmitted immediately to the
1088 second chamber and may be acted upon immediately when received
1089 by the second chamber, (3) if one chamber rejects an amendment
1090 adopted by the other chamber, the bill or resolution after final action
1091 may be transmitted immediately to and may be placed on the calendar
1092 immediately in the second chamber, (4) during the last five calendar
1093 days of the session, if one chamber rejects an amendment adopted by
1094 the other chamber or adopts an amendment to a bill or resolution
1095 received from the other chamber, or takes any action on such bill or
1096 resolution requiring further action by the other chamber, the bill or
1097 resolution after final action may be transmitted immediately to the
1098 second chamber and placed immediately on the calendar and may be
1099 acted upon immediately in the second chamber, or (5) during the last
1100 five calendar days of the session, any bill or resolution, after final

1101 action in one chamber, may be transmitted immediately to the second
1102 chamber and may be placed on the calendar immediately in the second
1103 chamber.

1104 (e) *Action on Calendar.* All bills and resolutions starred for action
1105 shall be acted upon only when reached and any bill or resolution not
1106 acted upon shall retain its place on the calendar, unless it is put at the
1107 foot of the calendar or unless its consideration is made the order of the
1108 day for some specified time.

1109 (f) *Other Provisions.* When the House or Senate members only of a
1110 committee vote to report a bill or resolution favorably, the House
1111 chairperson of the committee or at least one Senate chairperson of the
1112 committee, as the case may be, shall sign the bill or resolution. When
1113 the House members and Senate members of a committee vote to report
1114 separate versions of a bill or resolution and each chamber adopts its
1115 own version, both bills or resolutions may be referred by a joint
1116 resolution to a committee of conference, appointed as provided in Rule
1117 22, with instructions to report a bill or resolution, as the case may be. If
1118 no bill or resolution is reported within three session days following the
1119 committee's appointment, the committee shall submit an interim
1120 report to both chambers and shall continue to report every second
1121 session day thereafter until a final decision is reached. If a bill or
1122 resolution is agreed upon by the committee it shall be submitted to the
1123 Legislative Commissioners' Office as a favorable report for processing
1124 as provided in Rule 13. A legislative commissioner shall transmit the
1125 bill or resolution with his or her approval to the clerk of the chamber
1126 which initiated the joint resolution for a committee of conference and
1127 the bill or resolution shall thereupon be tabled for the calendar and
1128 printing. The report of the committee may be accepted or rejected, but
1129 the bill or resolution may not be amended.

1130 No bill or resolution shall appear on the calendar of either chamber
1131 unless it has received a joint favorable report or a favorable report of
1132 the members of the committee of that chamber, except as provided in

1133 this rule or in Rule 19 or 20.

1134 (g) *Roll Call Requirement.* Each bill and each resolution proposing
1135 an amendment to the constitution and each other substantive
1136 resolution appearing on the regular calendar shall be voted upon by a
1137 roll call vote.

1138 REPRINTING AFTER AMENDMENT

1139 18. Whenever a bill or resolution is substantively amended there
1140 shall be no action on passage of the bill or resolution until it has been
1141 re-examined by the legislative commissioners for the purposes set
1142 forth in Rule 13 and it has been reprinted as amended. The chamber in
1143 which the bill or resolution is pending shall not take final action
1144 thereon until the reprinted bill or resolution has been made available
1145 to the members. This rule shall not apply to amendments offered
1146 solely for the purposes of correcting clerical defects or imperfections,
1147 such as but not limited to, grammatical or spelling errors or mistakes
1148 as to form or dates, or to make other changes which do not alter the
1149 substance of a bill or resolution. Reprinting of amended bills or
1150 resolutions shall not be required for bills or resolutions passed after
1151 June 3, 2017, for the 2017 session and May 5, 2018, for the 2018 session.

1152 PETITION FOR COMMITTEE REPORT

1153 19. Upon presentation to the clerk of either chamber of a petition
1154 signed in the original by not less than a majority of the members of
1155 either chamber requesting a joint standing committee to report a bill or
1156 resolution in its possession, the clerk shall immediately give notice to
1157 the committee of the filing of the petition. The petition may not be
1158 presented sooner than the day following the committee's deadline,
1159 designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, to report the bill or
1160 resolution out of committee and not later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh
1161 calendar day after that deadline. Within two regular session days
1162 thereafter the committee shall report the bill or resolution with or
1163 without its recommendations to the chamber from which the petition

1164 was received. If no recommendation is made, the bill or resolution
1165 shall be considered as having received an unfavorable report and the
1166 procedures in Rule 20 shall be followed. Each petition or page of the
1167 petition shall contain a statement of its purpose and may be circulated
1168 only by a member of the chamber whose clerk will receive the petition.
1169 If the committee members of one chamber vote to report a bill or
1170 resolution favorably, the petition so circulated and presented to the
1171 clerk may be signed only by the members of the other chamber.

1172 Any bill or resolution so petitioned, except those carrying or
1173 requiring appropriations, shall not be referred to any other committee
1174 without first having been voted upon by the House or Senate. Those
1175 carrying or requiring appropriations shall be referred first to the joint
1176 standing committee on Appropriations. The Appropriations committee
1177 shall, within two session days after such reference, report such bill or
1178 resolution back to the chamber in which the petition originated with
1179 either a favorable or unfavorable report thereon and the bill or
1180 resolution shall then be voted upon. In the event of a conflict between
1181 the report of the original committee and that of the Appropriations
1182 committee, the vote shall be on the report of the Appropriations
1183 committee.

1184 **UNFAVORABLE REPORTS**

1185 20. All bills and resolutions reported unfavorably shall first be
1186 printed under the supervision of the legislative commissioners,
1187 without correction and without their approval, and shall be in the files
1188 and on the calendar as if favorably reported but shall appear on the
1189 calendar under the heading "Unfavorable Reports." If the unfavorable
1190 report is rejected by the chamber of origin, the bill or resolution shall
1191 be returned to the legislative commissioners for their approval and
1192 reprinting in final form, except that in the case of an unfavorable
1193 report of the committee on executive and legislative nominations, or an
1194 unfavorable report of the committee on judiciary of a judicial
1195 nomination, a nomination of a workers' compensation commissioner

1196 or a nomination of a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, the
1197 resolution shall not be returned to the legislative commissioners and
1198 may be acted upon immediately. If the bill or resolution is returned to
1199 the legislative commissioners after May 24, 2017, in the 2017 session or
1200 April 25, 2018, in the 2018 session, the legislative commissioners shall
1201 transmit the bill or resolution, with or without approval, to the clerk of
1202 the chamber from which it was received, not later than five calendar
1203 days after it is received. It shall then be in the files, with special
1204 marking on the calendar, as if favorably reported with a file number
1205 for two session days and starred for action on the session day next
1206 succeeding in the chamber of origin. If the unfavorable report is
1207 accepted by the chamber of origin, the bill or resolution shall be lost.

1208 When an unfavorable report is rejected by the first chamber and the
1209 bill is passed or the resolution adopted by that chamber, it shall then
1210 be in the files and on the calendar of the other chamber, but shall
1211 appear on the calendar under the heading "Unfavorable Reports".

1212 RECALL FROM OTHER CHAMBER FOR RECONSIDERATION

1213 21. No resolution or motion to recall a bill, resolution or other
1214 matter from the other chamber shall be allowed for the purpose of
1215 reconsideration or amendment after the time has elapsed for the
1216 reconsideration of any vote thereon except when there has clearly been
1217 a mistake in such vote or an error in the language of the bill, resolution
1218 or other matter.

1219 COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

1220 22. (a) *Appointment of Committee.* When one chamber rejects an
1221 amendment adopted by the other chamber, the bill or resolution shall
1222 be returned to the other chamber for further action. If that chamber
1223 readopts the rejected amendment, the readoption constitutes a matter
1224 for a committee of conference, and a committee of conference shall be
1225 appointed by the Speaker and the President Pro Tempore. The
1226 committee of conference shall be comprised of three members from

1227 each chamber. If the vote has not been unanimous there shall be at
1228 least one member of the committee who was not on the prevailing side
1229 in such member's chamber, except that in all cases, at least one member
1230 of each party from each chamber shall be a member of the committee.

1231 (b) *Committee Reports.* The committee may propose any changes
1232 within the scope of the bill or resolution, but any action, including
1233 changes, taken by the committee shall be by a majority vote of the
1234 members of each chamber on the committee. The committee report
1235 shall be made to both chambers at the same time. The committee
1236 report shall contain the following information: The bill or resolution
1237 number and title, the members of the committee, the action of the
1238 committee, indicating the adoption or rejection of each House or
1239 Senate amendment previously adopted, identified by schedule letter,
1240 which accompanied the bill or resolution, the adoption of a new
1241 amendment, if any, and the signature of the members of the committee
1242 accepting or rejecting the report. A member's refusal to sign shall be
1243 deemed a rejection. Any new amendment shall be prepared by the
1244 Legislative Commissioners' Office and shall be attached to and made a
1245 part of the report and shall be identified by a schedule letter of the
1246 chamber which created the disagreeing action.

1247 (c) *Action by Chambers.* Each chamber shall vote to accept or reject
1248 the report. A vote by either chamber to accept the report of the
1249 committee shall be final action by that chamber on the bill or
1250 resolution. If both chambers vote to accept the report of the committee,
1251 the bill is passed or the resolution is adopted as of the time the last
1252 chamber votes to accept the report. If either chamber rejects the report
1253 of the committee, the bill or resolution is defeated and the second
1254 chamber shall not be required to consider the committee report. The
1255 report of the committee may be accepted or rejected, but it may not be
1256 amended.

1257 RETURN OF BILL FROM GOVERNOR OR LEGISLATIVE
1258 COMMISSIONERS

1291 other business on the calendar; and the only question on the report
1292 shall be, "Shall the proposed amendment be adopted?" If the proposed
1293 amendment is adopted by both chambers, the bill or resolution shall
1294 stand as amended. If the proposed amendment is rejected by either
1295 chamber, the bill or resolution shall not be transmitted to the other
1296 chamber, but shall stand as originally passed or adopted. If, in the
1297 consequence of the adjournment of the General Assembly subject to
1298 reconvening for the consideration of vetoed bills or for any other
1299 reason, any bill or resolution which has been passed or adopted by
1300 both chambers fails to be amended as recommended by the
1301 commissioners, the bill or resolution shall stand as originally passed or
1302 adopted.

1303 **ENGROSSING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

1304 25. All bills, all resolutions proposing amendments to the
1305 constitution and all resolutions memorializing Congress when finally
1306 passed or adopted shall be engrossed under the direction of the
1307 legislative commissioners, and immediately thereafter shall be
1308 transmitted to the clerks. The legislative commissioners shall carefully
1309 compare all engrossed bills and resolutions with the bills and
1310 resolutions as finally passed or adopted, and a commissioner shall
1311 certify by his or her signature to the correctness of the engrossed
1312 copies. As soon as engrossed and certified, as herein provided, the bill
1313 or resolution and amendment shall be presented to the House and
1314 Senate clerks, who shall sign the engrossed and certified copies.

1315 **TRANSMITTAL TO GOVERNOR**

1316 26. (a) *Transmittal of Copy*. On the passage of a bill by both
1317 chambers, the clerk of the chamber last taking action thereon shall
1318 forthwith cause a copy to be sent to the Governor.

1319 (b) *Engrossed Bills and Resolutions*. Each bill and resolution, with
1320 the engrossed copy, shall be transmitted by the clerks of the House and
1321 Senate to the Secretary of the State as soon as it has been signed, as

1322 herein provided, and not later than the twelfth day after the expiration
1323 of the time allowed for reconsideration under the rules of the General
1324 Assembly, Sundays and legal holidays excepted; and the Secretary of
1325 the State shall forthwith present the engrossed copy of each bill to the
1326 Governor for approval.

1327 (c) *Records of Transmittal.* The Secretary of the State shall give the
1328 clerks a receipt for each bill or resolution, and shall notify them of the
1329 date and time at which each bill was presented to the Governor. The
1330 Secretary of the State shall give the Governor a receipt showing the
1331 date and time at which the Governor approved it or returned it to the
1332 Secretary of the State with a statement of his or her objections and shall
1333 notify the clerks of the dates and times. The clerks shall record the
1334 dates and times of presentation and approval or return in the journals
1335 of the House and Senate.

1336 (d) *Immediate Transmittal.* The chamber last taking action on a bill,
1337 before engrossing, may order immediate transmittal of the bill to the
1338 Governor, in which case the clerk of that chamber shall forthwith
1339 present the bill to the Governor, taking a duplicate receipt therefor
1340 showing the date and time at which the bill was deposited in the
1341 executive office, one of which receipts the clerk shall deliver to the
1342 Secretary of the State. Except as provided in this subsection, a bill shall
1343 be transmitted to the Governor only after engrossing.

1344 **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS NOT REPORTED**

1345 27. The official copies of all bills and joint resolutions not reported
1346 by committees shall be delivered to the Secretary of the State by the
1347 clerk of the committee.

1348 **DISTURBANCES**

1349 28. If there is any disturbance, disorderly conduct or other activity
1350 in or about the State Capitol or the Legislative Office Building or the
1351 grounds thereof which, in the opinion of the President Pro Tempore

1352 and the Speaker, may impede the orderly transaction of the business of
1353 the General Assembly or any of its committees, they may take
1354 whatever action they deem necessary to preserve and restore order.

1355 **AMENDMENT AND SUSPENSION OF RULES**

1356 29. These rules shall not be altered, amended or suspended except
1357 by the vote of at least two-thirds of the members present in each
1358 chamber.

1359 Motions to suspend the rules shall be in order on any session day.

1360 Suspension of the rules shall be for a specified purpose. Upon
1361 accomplishment of that purpose, any rule suspended shall be again in
1362 force.

1363 **RESTRICTIONS**

1364 30. (a) *Smoking*. No person shall smoke in the State Capitol or
1365 Legislative Office Building.

1366 (b) *Nonpartisan Offices*. Lobbyists shall be prohibited from the
1367 Legislative Commissioners' Office, the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the
1368 Office of Legislative Research but not from the legislative library.

1369 (c) *Wireless Telephones*. No person shall operate a wireless
1370 telephone or similar device in the senate chamber while the senate is
1371 meeting, in the house chamber while the house is meeting, or in any
1372 room while a committee is meeting or holding a public hearing in that
1373 room.

1374 **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS**

1375 31. When a collective bargaining agreement, negotiated under the
1376 provisions of chapter 68 of the general statutes, or a supplemental
1377 understanding reached between the parties to such agreement, or an
1378 arbitration award resulting from an arbitration proceeding under that
1379 chapter, is submitted to the General Assembly for approval as

1380 provided in section 5-278 of the general statutes, the following
1381 procedures shall apply:

1382 (1) In the case of a collective bargaining agreement or supplemental
1383 understanding, the bargaining representative of the employer shall file
1384 one executed original and five photocopies of the agreement, or of the
1385 master agreement and individual working agreements or the
1386 supplemental understanding, to the clerk of the House, and one
1387 executed original and five photocopies to the clerk of the Senate. In the
1388 case of an arbitration award, the bargaining representative of the
1389 employer shall file five photocopies of the original arbitration award,
1390 showing that the original award was signed by the arbitrator, and a
1391 statement setting forth the amount of funds necessary to implement
1392 the award, to the clerk of the House and to the clerk of the Senate. The
1393 bargaining representative of the employer shall file with such
1394 agreement, supplemental understanding or award: (A) A list of the
1395 sections of the general statutes or state agency regulations, if any,
1396 proposed to be superseded, and (B) the effective date and expiration
1397 date of the agreement, supplemental understanding or award. An
1398 agreement shall be deemed executed only when it has been approved,
1399 in the case of an executive branch employer, including the division of
1400 criminal justice, by the Governor's designee, in the case of a judicial
1401 branch employer, by the chief administrative officer or such officer's
1402 designee, and in the case of a segment of the system of higher
1403 education, the chairperson of the appropriate board of trustees, and by
1404 the executive committee or officers of the respective bargaining unit or
1405 units and has been ratified by the membership of such bargaining unit
1406 or units.

1407 (2) (A) During periods when the General Assembly is in session, the
1408 agreement or supplemental understanding or the award shall be filed
1409 with the clerks, and the clerks shall stamp such agreement or
1410 supplemental understanding or award with the date of receipt and,
1411 within two calendar days thereafter, the Speaker of the House and the
1412 President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall cause separate House and

1413 Senate resolutions to be prepared proposing approval of the agreement
1414 or supplemental understanding or, in the case of an award, separate
1415 House and Senate resolutions concerning the sufficiency of funds for
1416 implementation of the award. The agreement or supplemental
1417 understanding or the award shall be submitted to the General
1418 Assembly on the date that both such resolutions are filed with the
1419 clerks. Each resolution shall be given a first reading in the appropriate
1420 chamber. Resolutions proposing approval of a collective bargaining
1421 agreement or a supplemental understanding, together with a copy of
1422 the agreement or supplemental understanding, and resolutions
1423 concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of an
1424 arbitration award, together with a copy of the award, shall be referred
1425 to the committee on Appropriations. With respect to each resolution
1426 referred to the committee on or before the deadline of the committee to
1427 report favorably on a bill or resolution as designated in the schedule
1428 shown in Rule 15, the committee shall hold a public hearing on each
1429 such resolution, and within fifteen days after the referral, shall report
1430 the appropriate resolutions approving or disapproving the agreement
1431 or supplemental understanding or concerning the sufficiency of funds
1432 for implementation of the award to the House and the Senate,
1433 notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15. If the Appropriations
1434 committee fails to take action within the time period set forth in this
1435 rule, the agreement or supplemental understanding shall nevertheless
1436 be deemed approved or, in the case of an award, the sufficiency of
1437 funds affirmed and the resolutions shall be reported to the House and
1438 the Senate as favorable reports.

1439 (B) If an agreement or supplemental understanding is reached or an
1440 arbitration award is made during the interim between sessions, the
1441 provisions of subsection (b) of section 5-278 of the general statutes, as
1442 amended, shall apply.

1443 (3) Each resolution, favorably or unfavorably reported, shall be read
1444 in, and tabled for the calendar and printing, in the appropriate
1445 chamber. Copies of the master agreement and individual working

1446 agreements, identified by the resolution numbers, copies of the salary
1447 schedules and appendices, and copies of the arbitration awards,
1448 identified by the resolution numbers, and the statements setting forth
1449 the amount of funds necessary to implement the awards, shall be made
1450 available in the clerks' offices.

1451 (4) The Office of Fiscal Analysis shall prepare an analysis of each
1452 agreement, supplemental understanding and award and a fiscal note
1453 both of which shall be upon the desks of the members, but not
1454 necessarily printed in the files, before the resolution is acted upon.

1455 (5) The respective resolutions shall be in the files and on the
1456 calendar with a file number for two session days and shall be starred
1457 for action on the session day next succeeding unless it has been
1458 certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes. The
1459 House and the Senate shall vote to approve or reject each resolution
1460 proposing approval of a collective bargaining agreement or a
1461 supplemental understanding and each resolution concerning the
1462 sufficiency of funds for implementation of an arbitration award within
1463 thirty days after the date of the filing of the agreement, supplemental
1464 understanding or award with the clerks of the House and Senate.

1465 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15, when a resolution
1466 proposing approval of a collective bargaining agreement or a
1467 supplemental understanding or a resolution concerning the sufficiency
1468 of funds for implementation of an arbitration award is referred to the
1469 committee on Appropriations after the deadline of the committee to
1470 report favorably on a bill or resolution as designated in the schedule
1471 shown in Rule 15, but was filed more than thirty days before the end of
1472 a regular session, the committee may act on such resolutions provided
1473 it reports such resolutions to the House and Senate not later than
1474 twelve days after such referral.

1475 (7) If the General Assembly is in regular session when an award,
1476 agreement or supplemental understanding is filed with the clerks, it
1477 may vote to approve or reject such award, agreement or supplemental

1478 understanding within thirty days after the date of filing. If the General
1479 Assembly does not vote to approve or reject such award, agreement or
1480 supplemental understanding within such thirty days, the award,
1481 agreement or supplemental understanding shall be deemed approved.
1482 If the regular session adjourns prior to such thirtieth day and the
1483 award, agreement or supplemental understanding has not been acted
1484 upon, the award, agreement or supplemental understanding shall be
1485 deemed to be filed on the first day of the next regular session.

1486 AGREEMENTS OR STIPULATIONS UNDER SECTION 3-125a

1487 32. When an agreement or stipulation is submitted to the General
1488 Assembly as provided in section 3-125a of the general statutes, the
1489 following procedures shall apply:

1490 (1) Six copies of the agreement or stipulation shall be submitted to
1491 the clerk of the House, and six copies to the clerk of the Senate.

1492 (2) (A) During periods when the General Assembly is in session, the
1493 agreement or stipulation shall be stamped by the clerks with the date
1494 of receipt and, within two calendar days thereafter, Saturdays,
1495 Sundays and holidays excepted, the Speaker of the House and the
1496 President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall cause separate House and
1497 Senate resolutions to be prepared proposing approval of the agreement
1498 or stipulation. Each resolution shall be given a first reading in the
1499 appropriate chamber. The President Pro Tempore and the Speaker
1500 shall designate the committees of cognizance and the committees, if
1501 any, that will hold a public hearing on each agreement or stipulation.
1502 Each resolution, accompanied by the agreement or stipulation, shall be
1503 referred to the committees of cognizance, which shall report thereon.

1504 (B) If an agreement or stipulation is submitted during the interim
1505 between regular sessions, it shall be deemed to be submitted on the
1506 first day of the next regular session.

1507 (3) Each resolution, favorably or unfavorably reported, shall be read

1508 in, and tabled for the calendar and printing, in the appropriate
1509 chamber.

1510 (4) The Office of Fiscal Analysis shall prepare an analysis of each
1511 agreement or stipulation and a fiscal note both of which shall be upon
1512 the desks of the members, but not necessarily printed in the files,
1513 before the resolution is acted upon.

1514 (5) The resolution shall be in the files and on the calendar with a file
1515 number for two session days and shall be starred for action on the
1516 session day next succeeding unless it has been certified in accordance
1517 with section 2-26 of the general statutes. The House and the Senate
1518 may vote to approve or reject each resolution within thirty days of the
1519 date of submittal of the agreement or stipulation.

1520 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15, when an agreement
1521 or stipulation is referred to a committee of cognizance, regardless of
1522 the deadline of the committee to report favorably on a bill or resolution
1523 as designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, but not later than the
1524 time of submission specified in subdivision (7) of this rule, the
1525 committee may act on such resolution provided it reports such
1526 resolution not later than twelve days after such referral.

1527 (7) Any agreement or stipulation submitted to the clerks within
1528 thirty days before the end of a regular session and not acted upon
1529 dispositively before the end of such session shall be deemed to be
1530 submitted on the first day of the next regular session.

1531 **SPECIAL SESSIONS**

1532 33. A majority of the total membership of each chamber shall be
1533 required for the calling of a special session by the General Assembly.

1534 **INTERIM**

1535 34. (a) *Meetings*. During the interim between sessions, the House
1536 chairperson and at least one Senate chairperson of a committee may

1537 schedule meetings on any day. Notice of the date, time and place of
1538 committee meetings shall be given to the Office of Legislative
1539 Management.

1540 (b) *Public Hearings.* A committee may hold subject matter public
1541 hearings on any subject and on specified proposed bills and proposed
1542 resolutions, and on committee and raised bills and resolutions. Notice
1543 of any public hearing shall be given, not later than ten calendar days
1544 before the hearing, to the Office of Legislative Management for
1545 appropriate publication by that office at least five calendar days in
1546 advance of the hearing. The notice shall contain the date, time, place
1547 and general subject matter of the hearing and the title of the bills or
1548 resolutions, if any, to be considered. In no event shall a bill or
1549 resolution be listed for a public hearing unless the committee holding
1550 the public hearing has copies available for the public. For the purpose
1551 of meeting the hearing requirements under this rule, the day of
1552 publication by the Office of Legislative Management and the day of the
1553 hearing shall both be counted as full days.

1554 (c) *Raised Bills - Hearing During Session Required.* During the
1555 interim between the 2017 and 2018 sessions, a committee may, on or
1556 after October 1, 2017, raise bills and resolutions for public hearing and
1557 consideration during such interim, but no such bill or resolution shall
1558 be reported by any committee unless a public hearing has been held
1559 during the 2018 session, as provided in Rule 6.

1560 SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

1561 35. The sexual harassment policy set forth in section 2.2 of the
1562 Connecticut General Assembly Employee Handbook, as amended
1563 from time to time, is incorporated by reference in these rules.