Regulation Review Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

11:00 AM in Room 1C of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am by Chairman, Sen. Miner C. S30.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Kelly K. S21; Logan G. S17; Maroney J. S14; Miner C. S30

Representatives: Arnone T. 058; Carpino C. 032; Johnson S. 049; Klarides-Ditria N. 105; O’Neill A. 069; Palm C. 036; Rutigliano D. 123; Ziogas C. 079

Absent were:

Senators: Bergstein A. S36; Osten C. S19

Representatives:

Note: Senator Bergstein and Senator Osten were absent due to legislative business.

Chairman Miner remarked that there are committee members who are not yet in attendance, but are in the LOB. He stated that it was his recollection that the committee does not typically hold votes open.

Attorney Richard Hanratty, LCO reminded members that Committee Rule #3 states that votes shall not be held open. Senator Miner thanked Mr. Hanratty for that reminder.

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LRRC - Approved with Technical Corrections

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CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE RULES:

A motion was made by Senator Maroney, seconded by Senator Kelly, to approve the 2019-2020 LRRC Rules. Senator Miner asked if there was any comment.

Representative Rutigliano asked if there was anything in the rules that would allow for votes to be held open under certain circumstances.

Representative Johnson replied that the committee could recess until a time certain, at which point a quorum would have to be met in order for the committee to take action.

Attorney Hanratty stated that traditionally the committee takes action on regulations by voice vote, and that procedurally the committee could not hold a voice vote open.

Representative Rutigliano stated that his aim was to find a way to accommodate members who might need extra time to arrive at a committee meeting.

Attorney Hanratty reminded members that there is quorum requirement for action. He added that the rules could be amended by a majority vote.

Representative Johnson remarked that if Representative Rutigliano was interested in writing language for a rules change, she would be happy to review the language with Attorney Hanratty.

Attorney Hanratty informed members that Committee Rule #4 allows for the rules to be amended by an affirmative vote of not less than eight members at a meeting duly noticed for such purpose. He added that rules changes can be made in the future if a meeting is duly notice and is called for that purpose.

Representative Rutigliano stated that he would not be offering a change to the rules at this time.

Representative Ziogas asked what would happen should a vote result in a 4-4 tie.

Senator Miner replied that the motion would fail. He stated that in his experience, should there be a question of passage, the committee would consult with the applying agency. The agency would then have the option of withdrawing the regulation and
resubmitting it after questions have been addressed. He added that he believes the process has worked fairly well.

Representative O’Neill stated that failure by the committee to act does not stop a regulation from going into effect; further, the regulation would go into effect as submitted when the timeframe for action has expired. He added that if a motion to approve with technical corrections or with technical corrections and deletions fails, the regulation would go into effect as submitted.

Representative Johnson thanked Representative O’Neill for his explanation and echoed his remarks regarding the loss of technical corrections should the committee fail to act.

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Miner called for a vote on the committee rules. The rules were adopted by voice vote.

Senator Miner announced that the subcommittee assignments were not yet complete. He informed members that Representative Johnson and he would be contacting members in the hopes of reorganizing their current list of subcommittee assignments so that each subcommittee will have a full compliment of members.

A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 am.

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Susan Keane
Administrator