



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on No Committee

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**RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE
SEPTEMBER SPECIAL SESSION, 2020.**

Resolved by the Senate:

1 That the rules of the Senate at this Special Session shall be the same
2 as the rules of the Senate in force at the 2020 regular session, except as
3 said rules are amended, altered or repealed in this resolution.

4 Strike out Rules 7, 9, 13, 17 and 18 and insert in lieu thereof the
5 following:

6 9. A bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the
7 general statutes, if filed in the House, may be transmitted to and acted
8 upon first by the Senate with the consent of the Speaker; and if filed in
9 the Senate, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the House
10 with the consent of the President Pro Tempore.

11 Strike out Rule 19 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

12 19. The order of business shall be as follows:

13 1. Reception of communications from the Governor and the Secretary
14 of the State.

15 2. Introduction of bills and resolutions.

16 3. Reception of business from the House.

17 Strike out Rule 29 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

18 29. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received
19 except:

20 1. To adjourn.

21 2. To recess.

22 3. For the previous question.

23 4. To close the debate at a specified time.

24 5. To pass temporarily.

25 6. To pass retain.

26 7. To postpone to a certain time.

27 8. To divide the question.

28 9. To amend.

29 10. To postpone indefinitely.

30 These several motions shall have precedence in the order listed in this
31 rule, and no motion to continue to the next General Assembly or to
32 postpone indefinitely, having been once decided, shall be again allowed
33 at the same session and at the same state of the bill or subject matter.

34 Strike out Rule 30 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

35 30. Amendments shall be filed with the clerk of the Senate.

36 Any member who offers an amendment, originating in the Senate
37 which, if adopted, would reduce state revenues or increase state
38 expenditures by a specified amount or which would involve a
39 significant fiscal impact, shall make available to the president, president
40 pro tempore, the majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader
41 of the Senate at the time the amendment is offered, in addition to a fiscal
42 note, a signed and typewritten explanation, of the decrease in
43 expenditures or the source of the increased revenues required to balance
44 the state budget.

45 Whenever a bill is substantively amended, it may be referred to the
46 legislative commissioners to be re-examined for the purposes set forth
47 in Rule 13 of the Joint Rules for the 2020 regular session and to be
48 reprinted as amended. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall
49 complete its examination of any such bill within three calendar days of
50 its receipt. The bill shall then be transmitted to the clerk.

51 Strike out Rule 34 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

52 34. No person shall use a wireless telephone or similar device in the
53 Senate chamber or gallery to take photographs or to make video or
54 sound recordings while the Senate is in session. The presiding officer
55 shall enforce this rule.

56 Add new Rule 37 as follows:

57 37. Only those bills and substantive resolutions specified in
58 paragraph 1 of Rule 7 of the Joint Rules for this Special Session, certified
59 as provided in Rule 9 of said Joint Rules, and, except as provided in Rule
60 33 of said Joint Rules, only those resolutions pertaining to the rules of
61 this Special Session, the printing of the journals of the Senate and the
62 House of Representatives, and the expenses of this Special Session, shall
63 be received.