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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
3 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
4 the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 102nd General  
5 Assembly are amended by changing Rules 52 and 59 as follows:

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(House Rule 52)

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52. Debate.

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(a) All legislative measures, except those legislative  
9 measures that are not debatable as provided in these Rules,  
10 are subject to a debate status as follows:

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(1) Short Debate: Debate is limited to a 2-minute  
12 presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member  
13 designated by the Principal Sponsor, a 2-minute  
14 presentation by a member in response, and one minute for  
15 the Principal Sponsor to close debate, or yield to other  
16 members; provided that at the request of 7 members before  
17 the close of debate, the debate status shall be opened to  
18 standard debate; or

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(2) Standard Debate: Debate shall consist of a  
20 10-minute presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a  
21 member designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each  
22 proponent and member in response who seeks recognition,  
23 and 5 minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close debate,

1 ~~or yield to other members. Debate is limited to a 5 minute~~  
2 ~~presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member~~  
3 ~~designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each of 2~~  
4 ~~additional proponents of the legislative measure and by 3~~  
5 ~~members in response to the legislative measure, and 3~~  
6 ~~minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close debate, or~~  
7 ~~yield to other members;~~

8 ~~(3) Extended Debate: Debate is limited to a 5 minute~~  
9 ~~presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member~~  
10 ~~designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each of 4~~  
11 ~~proponents of the legislative measure and 5 members in~~  
12 ~~response, and 5 minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close~~  
13 ~~debate, or yield to other members;~~

14 ~~(4) Unlimited Debate: Debate shall consist of a~~  
15 ~~10 minute presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a~~  
16 ~~member designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each~~  
17 ~~proponent and member in response who seeks recognition,~~  
18 ~~and 5 minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close debate,~~  
19 ~~or yield to other members; or~~

20 ~~(5) Amendment Debate: Debate on floor amendments~~  
21 ~~referred to the House from a committee, or discharged from~~  
22 ~~a committee, is limited to a 3 minute presentation by the~~  
23 ~~Principal Sponsor, or a member designated by the Principal~~  
24 ~~Sponsor, debate by one proponent, debate by each of 2~~  
25 ~~members in response, and 3 minutes for the Principal~~  
26 ~~Sponsor to close debate, or yield to other members.~~

1           No debate is in order on bills or resolutions on the order  
2 of First Reading or Second Reading, except for debate on floor  
3 amendments as provided in this Rule.

4           (b) All legislative measures, except those assigned to the  
5 Consent Calendar or ~~7~~ those assigned short debate status by a  
6 standing or special committee, ~~and floor amendments, referred~~  
7 ~~to the House from a committee, or discharged from a committee,~~  
8 are automatically assigned standard debate status, ~~subject to~~  
9 ~~subsection (c) of this Rule.~~ A bill, resolution, or joint  
10 action motion for final action shall be given short debate  
11 status by report of the committee if the bill or resolution was  
12 favorably reported by a three-fifths vote of the members  
13 present and voting, including those voting "present", ~~subject~~  
14 ~~to subsection (c) of this Rule.~~ All floor amendments referred  
15 ~~to the House from a committee, or discharged from a committee,~~  
16 ~~are automatically assigned amendment debate status, subject to~~  
17 ~~subsection (c) of this Rule.~~

18           (c) (blank.) ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of these~~  
19 ~~Rules to the contrary (except Rule 44), the debate status of~~  
20 ~~any legislative measure may be changed only (i) by the~~  
21 ~~Speaker, as defined in item (27) of Rule 102, by filing a~~  
22 ~~notice with the Clerk, or (ii) by the Rules Committee by motion~~  
23 ~~approved by a majority of those appointed. While a legislative~~  
24 ~~measure is being considered by the House, the debate status~~  
25 ~~may also be changed by unanimous consent. No legislative~~  
26 ~~measure, however, may be placed on the Consent Calendar under~~

1 ~~this Rule. No legislative measure, except a floor amendment,~~  
2 ~~may be assigned amendment debate status under this Rule.~~

3 (d) (blank.) ~~The Speaker or Rules Committee, as the case~~  
4 ~~may be, shall notify the Clerk of any action to change the~~  
5 ~~debate status of any legislative measure. The Clerk shall~~  
6 ~~cause that information to be reflected on the Daily Calendar~~  
7 ~~on subsequent legislative days, provided the legislative~~  
8 ~~measure is still before the House.~~

9 (e) No member shall speak longer than 5 minutes at one time  
10 or more than once on the same question except by leave of the  
11 House. The Principal Sponsor of a measure or a member  
12 designated by the Principal Sponsor, however, shall be allowed  
13 to open the debate and to close the debate in accordance with  
14 subsection (a) of this Rule. The provisions of this subsection  
15 (e) are subject to and limited by subsections (a) and ~~7~~ (b) ~~7~~ ~~and~~  
16 ~~(e)~~ of this Rule. A member may yield to another member the time  
17 allotted for the member's debate.

18 (f) The Presiding Officer shall allocate the debate on  
19 each legislative measure alternately, if possible, between  
20 proponents and opponents of the legislative measure under  
21 debate.

22 (g) This Rule may not be suspended.

23 (Source: H.R. 59, 101st G.A.)

24 (House Rule 59)

25 59. Previous Question.

1           (a) A motion for the previous question may be made at any  
2 time, except that a member may not move the previous question  
3 while participating in debate pursuant to Rule 52. A motion  
4 for the previous question is not debatable and requires the  
5 unanimous consent of the members present or the affirmative  
6 vote of two-thirds of the ~~60~~ members elected. A record vote  
7 must be taken on the motion if unanimous consent has been  
8 denied. This subsection may not be suspended.

9           (b) The previous question shall be stated in the following  
10 form: "Shall the main question be put?" Until the previous  
11 question is decided, all amendments and debate are precluded.  
12 When it is decided that the main question shall not be put, the  
13 main question remains under debate.

14           (c) The effect of the main question being ordered is to put  
15 an end to all debate and bring the House to a direct vote on  
16 the immediately pending motion. After a motion for the  
17 previous question has been approved, it is not in order to move  
18 for adjournment or to make any other motion before a decision  
19 on the main question.

20           (d) This Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative  
21 vote of 71 members elected.

22           (Source: H.R. 59, 101st G.A.)