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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 34

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Resolution 34 by replacing  
3 lines 2 through 23 of page 1 and all of pages 2 through 138 with  
4 the following:

5 "RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 98th General  
8 Assembly are amended by changing Rules 4, 9, 15, 16, 18, 19,  
9 21, 22, 28, 31, 37, 37.5, 40, 43, 44, 45, 51, 52, 75, and 102  
10 and by adding Rules 42.1 and 76.5 as follows:

11 (House Rule 4)

12 4. The Speaker.

13 (a) The Speaker has those powers conferred upon him or her  
14 by the Constitution, the laws of Illinois, and any motions or  
15 resolutions adopted by the House or jointly by the House and  
16 Senate.

1 (b) Except as otherwise provided by law, the Speaker is the  
2 chief administrative officer of the House and has those powers  
3 necessary to carry out those functions. The Speaker may  
4 delegate administrative duties as he or she deems appropriate.

5 (c) The duties of the Speaker include the following:

6 (1) To preside at all sessions of the House, although  
7 the Speaker may call on any member to preside temporarily  
8 as Presiding Officer.

9 (2) To open the session at the time at which the House  
10 is to meet by taking the chair and calling the members to  
11 order. The Speaker may call on any member to open the  
12 session as Presiding Officer.

13 (3) To announce the business before the House in the  
14 order upon which it is to be acted, except as limited by  
15 these House Rules. The Presiding Officer shall perform this  
16 duty during the period that he or she is presiding.

17 (4) To recognize those members entitled to the floor.

18 (5) To state and put to a vote all questions that are  
19 regularly moved or that necessarily arise in the course of  
20 the proceedings, and to announce the result of the vote.

21 (6) To preserve order and decorum.

22 (7) To decide all points of order, subject to appeal,  
23 and to speak on these points in preference to other  
24 members.

25 (8) To inform the House when necessary, or when any  
26 question is raised, on any point of order or practice

1           pertinent to the pending business.

2           (9) To sign or authenticate all acts, proceedings, or  
3 orders of the House. All writs, warrants, and subpoenae  
4 issued by order of the House, or any of its committees,  
5 shall be signed by the Speaker and attested by the Clerk.

6           (10) To sign all bills passed by both chambers of the  
7 General Assembly to certify that the procedural  
8 requirements for passage have been met.

9           (11) To have general supervision of the House Chamber,  
10 House galleries, House committee rooms and chapel, and  
11 adjoining and connecting hallways and passages, including  
12 the duty to protect their security and safety and the power  
13 to clear them when necessary. The House Chamber shall not  
14 be used without permission of the Speaker.

15           (12) To have general supervision of the Clerk and his  
16 or her assistants, the Doorkeeper and his or her  
17 assistants, the majority caucus staff, the  
18 parliamentarians, and all employees of the House except the  
19 minority caucus staff.

20           (13) To determine the number of majority caucus members  
21 and minority caucus members to be appointed to all  
22 committees, except the Rules Committee created by Rule 15  
23 and those committees that may be created under Article XII  
24 of these Rules.

25           (14) To appoint all Chairpersons, Co-Chairpersons, and  
26 Vice-Chairpersons of committees (from either the majority

1 or minority caucus), and to appoint all majority caucus  
2 members of committees.

3 (15) To enforce all constitutional provisions,  
4 statutes, rules, and regulations applicable to the House.

5 (16) To guide and direct the proceedings of the House  
6 subject to the control and will of the members.

7 (17) To direct the Clerk to correct non-substantive  
8 errors in the Journal.

9 (18) To assign meeting places and meeting times to  
10 committees and subcommittees.

11 (19) To perform any other duties assigned to the  
12 Speaker by these House Rules or jointly by the House and  
13 Senate.

14 (20) To decide, subject to these House Rules and the  
15 control and will of the members, all questions relating to  
16 the priority of business.

17 (21) To issue, in cooperation with the Comptroller and  
18 after clearance with the United States Internal Revenue  
19 Service, written regulations covering administration of  
20 contingent expense allowances of members of the House.

21 (22) To appoint one or more parliamentarians to serve  
22 at the pleasure of the Speaker.

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

25 (House Rule 9)

1           9. Schedule.

2           (a) The Speaker shall periodically establish a schedule of  
3 days on which the House shall convene in regular, perfunctory,  
4 and veto session, with that schedule subject to revision at the  
5 discretion of the Speaker.

6           (b) The Speaker may schedule or reschedule deadlines at his  
7 or her discretion for any action on any category of legislative  
8 measure as the Speaker deems appropriate, including deadlines  
9 for the following legislative actions:

10           (1) Final day to request bills from the Legislative  
11 Reference Bureau.

12           (2) Final day for introduction of bills.

13           (3) Final day for standing committees of the House to  
14 report House bills, except House appropriation bills.

15           (4) Final day for standing committees of the House to  
16 report House appropriation bills.

17           (5) Final day for Third Reading and passage of House  
18 bills, except House appropriation bills.

19           (6) Final day for Third Reading and passage of House  
20 appropriation bills.

21           (7) Final day for standing committees of the House to  
22 report Senate appropriation bills.

23           (8) Final day for standing committees of the House to  
24 report Senate bills, except appropriation bills.

25           (9) Final day for special committees to report to the  
26 House.

1           (10) Final day for Third Reading and passage of Senate  
2           appropriation bills.

3           (11) Final day for Third Reading and passage of Senate  
4           bills, except appropriation bills.

5           (12) Final day for consideration of joint action  
6           motions and conference committee reports.

7           Deadlines do not apply to legislative measures on the  
8           Petition Calendar.

9           (c) The Speaker may schedule or reschedule any necessary  
10          deadlines for legislative action during any special session of  
11          the House. The Speaker may establish a Weekly Order of Business  
12          or a Daily Order of Business setting forth the date and  
13          approximate time at which specific legislative measures may be  
14          considered by the House. The Weekly Order of Business or Daily  
15          Order of Business is effective upon being filed by the Speaker  
16          with the Clerk and takes the place of the standing order of  
17          business for the amount of time necessary for its completion.  
18          Nothing in this Rule, ~~however,~~ limits the Speaker's or  
19          Presiding Officer's powers under Rule 4(c)(3) or Rule 43(a);  
20          however, this Rule is subject to the limitations of Rule 31.

21          (d) The foregoing deadlines, or any revisions to those  
22          deadlines, are effective upon being filed by the Speaker with  
23          the Clerk. The Clerk shall journalize those deadlines.

24          (e) This Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote  
25          of 71 members elected.

1 (House Rule 15)

2 15. Rules Committee.

3 (a) The Rules Committee is created as a permanent  
4 committee. The Rules Committee shall consist of 5 members, 3  
5 appointed by the Speaker and 2 appointed by the Minority  
6 Leader. The Speaker and the Minority Leader are each eligible  
7 to be appointed to the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee may  
8 conduct business when a majority of the total number of its  
9 members has been appointed.

10 (b) The majority caucus members of the Rules Committee  
11 shall serve at the pleasure of the Speaker, and the minority  
12 caucus members shall serve at the pleasure of the Minority  
13 Leader. Appointments shall be by notice filed with the Clerk,  
14 and shall be effective for the balance of the term or until a  
15 replacement appointment is made, whichever first occurs.  
16 Appointments take effect upon filing with the Clerk, regardless  
17 of whether the House is in session. Notwithstanding any other  
18 provision of these Rules, any Representative who is replaced on  
19 the Rules Committee may be re-appointed to the Rules Committee  
20 without concurrence of the House.

21 (c) The Rules Committee shall not consider or conduct a  
22 hearing with respect to a subject matter or a legislative  
23 measure absent notice first being given as follows:

24 (1) One hour advance notice for the consideration of  
25 any floor amendment, joint action motion for final action,  
26 conference committee report, or motion to table a committee

1       amendment.

2           (2) Seventy-two hours advance notice to consider the  
3       referral of bills to committees of the House or joint  
4       committees of the House and Senate.

5           (3) Twenty-four hours advance notice for hearings held  
6       for purposes not specified in items (1) and (2) of this  
7       subsection (c).

8       (c-1) The Chairperson of the Rules Committee shall post the  
9       notice required under subsection (c) on the House bulletin  
10      board identifying each subject matter and each legislative  
11      measure that may be considered during the hearing. The notice  
12      shall contain the day, hour, and place of the hearing. This  
13      subsection may not be suspended.

14      (c-2) The posting requirements of items (2) and (3) of  
15      subsection (c) of this Rule may be reduced to a one-hour  
16      advance notice upon the adoption of a motion by 71 members  
17      elected. The posting requirement of item (1) of subsection (c)  
18      of this Rule may not be suspended. Notice requirements for  
19      hearings may be suspended only as authorized by this  
20      subsection, and no hearing shall be conducted with less than a  
21      one-hour advance notice. This subsection may not be suspended.

22      ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, the Rules~~  
23      ~~Committee may meet upon reasonable public notice that includes~~  
24      ~~a statement of the subjects to be considered. All legislative~~  
25      ~~measures pending before the Rules Committee are eligible for~~  
26      ~~consideration at any of its meetings, and all of those~~



1 ~~legislative measures are deemed posted for hearing by the Rules~~  
2 ~~Committee for all of its meetings.~~

3 (d) Upon concurrence of a majority of those appointed, the  
4 Rules Committee may advance any legislative measure pending  
5 before it to the House, without referral to another committee;  
6 except that (i) the Rules Committee, however, shall not so  
7 report any bill that has never been favorably reported by or  
8 discharged from a standing committee or a special committee of  
9 the House or recommended for action by a joint committee of the  
10 House and Senate and (ii) a two-thirds vote of those appointed  
11 to the Rules Committee shall be required to refer to the House  
12 any floor amendment, joint action motion for final action,  
13 conference committee report, or motion to table a committee  
14 amendment. A bill advanced to the House shall be placed on the  
15 Daily Calendar on the order on which it appeared before it was  
16 re-referred to the Rules Committee. Notwithstanding any other  
17 provision of these Rules, a floor amendment, joint action  
18 motion for final action, or conference committee report  
19 advanced to the House by the Rules Committee may be considered  
20 for adoption no sooner than one hour after the Clerk announces  
21 the report of the Rules Committee referring such a legislative  
22 measure to the House.

23 (e) Except for those provisions that cannot be suspended,  
24 this ~~This~~ Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote of  
25 71 members elected.

1 (House Rule 16)

2 16. Referrals of Resolutions and Reorganization Orders.

3 (a) All resolutions, except adjournment resolutions and  
4 resolutions considered under subsection (b) or (c) of this  
5 Rule, after being initially read by the Clerk, shall be ordered  
6 reproduced and automatically referred to the Rules Committee,  
7 which may thereafter refer any resolution before it to the  
8 House or to a standing committee or special committee. No  
9 resolution, except adjournment resolutions and resolutions  
10 considered under subsection (b) or (c) of this Rule or Rule  
11 42.1, may be considered by the House unless (i) referred to the  
12 House by the Rules Committee under Rule 18, (ii) favorably  
13 reported by a standing committee or special committee, (iii)  
14 authorized under Article XII, or (iv) discharged from committee  
15 pursuant to Rule 18(g) or Rule 58. An adjournment resolution is  
16 subject to Rule 66.

17 (b) Any member may file a congratulatory or death  
18 resolution for consideration by the House. The Principal  
19 Sponsor of each congratulatory or death resolution shall pay a  
20 reasonable fee, determined by the Clerk with the approval of  
21 the Speaker, to offset the actual cost of producing the  
22 congratulatory or death resolution. The fee may be paid from  
23 the office allowance provided by Section 4 of the General  
24 Assembly Compensation Act, or from any other funds available to  
25 the member. Upon agreement of the Speaker and the Minority  
26 Leader, congratulatory or death resolutions may be immediately

1 considered and adopted by the House without referral to the  
2 Rules Committee, unless a member removes a resolution from  
3 consideration under this subsection (b) by filing an objection  
4 with the Clerk before the vote of the House. Any resolution  
5 that is removed under this subsection (b) shall be  
6 automatically referred to the Rules Committee and shall be  
7 eligible for consideration under subsection (a). The remaining  
8 ~~These~~ resolutions, not removed from consideration under this  
9 subsection (b), may be adopted as a group by a single motion.  
10 Congratulatory and death resolutions shall be entered on the  
11 Journal only by number, sponsorship, and subject. The  
12 provisions of this subsection requiring the Principal Sponsor  
13 to pay a reasonable fee may not be suspended.

14 (c) Death resolutions in memory of former members of the  
15 General Assembly and former constitutional officers, upon  
16 introduction, may be immediately considered by the House  
17 without referral to the Rules Committee. Those resolutions  
18 shall be entered on the Journal in full.

19 (d) Executive reorganization orders of the Governor issued  
20 under Article V, Sec. 11 of the Constitution, upon being read  
21 into the record by the Clerk, are automatically referred to the  
22 Rules Committee for its referral to a standing committee or a  
23 special committee, which may issue a recommendation to the  
24 House with respect to the Executive Order. The House may  
25 disapprove of an Executive Order only by resolution adopted by  
26 a majority of those elected; no such resolution is in order

1 until a standing committee or a special committee has reported  
2 to the House on the executive reorganization, or until the  
3 Executive Order has been discharged under Rule 58.

4 (House Rule 18)

5 18. Referrals to Committees.

6 (a) All House Bills and Senate Bills, after being initially  
7 read by the Clerk, are automatically referred to the Rules  
8 Committee.

9 (b) During odd-numbered years, the Rules Committee shall  
10 thereafter refer any such bill before it to a standing  
11 committee or a special committee within 3 legislative days,  
12 provided that referral shall not be required for a House bill  
13 that is introduced after the introduction deadline for House  
14 bills or a Senate bill that is referred to the Rules Committee  
15 after the deadline for House committee consideration of Senate  
16 bills. During even-numbered years, the Rules Committee shall  
17 refer to a standing committee or a special committee only  
18 appropriation bills implementing the budget and bills deemed by  
19 the Rules Committee, by the affirmative vote of a majority  
20 appointed, to be of an emergency nature or to be of substantial  
21 importance to the operation of government. This subsection (b)  
22 applies equally to House Bills and Senate Bills introduced into  
23 or received by the House.

24 (b-5) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the Rules Committee  
25 may refer bills to a joint committee of the House and Senate

1 created by joint resolution. That joint committee shall report  
2 back to the Rules Committee any recommendation for action made  
3 by that joint committee. The Rules committee may, at any time,  
4 however, refer the bill to a standing or special committee of  
5 the House.

6 (c) A standing committee or a special committee may refer a  
7 subject matter or a legislative measure pending in that  
8 committee to a subcommittee of that committee.

9 (d) All legislative measures favorably reported by a  
10 standing committee or a special committee, or discharged from a  
11 standing committee or a special committee under Rule 58, shall  
12 be referred to the House and placed on the appropriate order of  
13 business, which shall appear on the daily calendar. All  
14 legislative measures, except bills or resolutions on the  
15 Consent Calendar, bills or resolutions assigned short debate  
16 status by a standing committee or special committee, and floor  
17 amendments, so referred are automatically assigned standard  
18 debate status, subject to Rule 52.

19 (e) All ~~committee amendments,~~ floor amendments, joint  
20 action motions for final action, conference committee reports,  
21 and motions to table committee amendments, upon filing with the  
22 Clerk, are automatically referred to the Rules Committee. ~~The~~  
23 ~~Rules Committee may refer any committee amendment to the~~  
24 ~~standing committee or the special committee to which the bill~~  
25 ~~or resolution it amends has been referred for its review and~~  
26 ~~consideration, provided the committee amendment is filed no~~

1 ~~later than 3:00 p.m. the business day before a meeting at which~~  
2 ~~that bill or resolution may be considered. "Business day" does~~  
3 ~~not include Saturday, Sunday, or State or federal holidays~~  
4 ~~unless the House is in session or the Clerk's office is~~  
5 ~~otherwise open to the public on that day.~~ The Rules Committee  
6 may refer any floor amendment, joint action motion for final  
7 action, conference committee report, or motion to table a  
8 committee amendment to the House or to a standing committee or  
9 a special committee for its review and consideration (in those  
10 instances, and notwithstanding any other provision of these  
11 Rules, the standing committee or special committee may hold a  
12 hearing on and consider those legislative measures pursuant to  
13 a ~~two-hour~~ advance notice given no later than the calendar day  
14 before the date of the hearing, and referrals to the House  
15 shall be subject to the notice requirements of Rule 15(d)). Any  
16 ~~committee amendment,~~ floor amendment, joint action motion for  
17 final action, conference committee report, or motion to table a  
18 committee amendment that is not referred to the House by, or  
19 discharged from, the Rules Committee is out of order, except  
20 that any floor amendment, joint action motion for final action,  
21 conference committee report, or motion to table a committee  
22 amendment favorably reported by, or discharged from, a standing  
23 committee or a special committee is deemed referred to the  
24 House by the Rules Committee for purposes of this Rule. All  
25 joint action motions for final action, conference committee  
26 reports and motions to table committee amendments so referred

1 are automatically assigned standard debate status, subject to  
2 Rule 52. Floor amendments referred to the House under this Rule  
3 are automatically assigned amendment debate status.

4 (f) The Rules Committee may at any time refer or re-refer  
5 any a legislative measure, except a committee amendment, from a  
6 committee to a Committee of the Whole or to any other  
7 committee. When a bill or resolution is re-referred to a  
8 committee pursuant to this Rule, any committee amendment for  
9 the bill or resolution pending in committee with the bill or  
10 resolution shall be automatically re-referred with the bill or  
11 resolution.

12 (g) Legislative measures may be discharged from the Rules  
13 Committee upon the affirmative vote of 71 members elected. Any  
14 bill or resolution discharged from the Rules Committee shall be  
15 placed on the appropriate order of business of the Petition  
16 Calendar as provided in Rule 42.1. Notwithstanding any other  
17 provision of these Rules, any bill pending before the Rules  
18 Committee shall be immediately discharged and referred to a  
19 standing committee, special committee, or order of the Daily  
20 Calendar, as provided in this Rule, if the Principal Sponsor of  
21 the bill files a motion that is signed by no less than  
22 three-fifths of the members of both the majority and minority  
23 caucuses, provided each member signing the motion is a sponsor  
24 of the underlying bill subject to the motion and the motion  
25 specifies the appropriate standing committee, special  
26 committee, or order on the Daily Calendar to which the bill

1 ~~shall be referred. Such a motion shall be filed, in writing,~~  
2 ~~with the Clerk. All other legislative measures may be~~  
3 ~~discharged from the Rules Committee only by unanimous consent~~  
4 ~~of the House. A bill or resolution discharged from the Rules~~  
5 ~~Committee shall be referred as follows: (i) a bill or~~  
6 ~~resolution that was not previously referred shall be referred~~  
7 ~~to the standing committee or special committee designated on~~  
8 ~~the motion, subject to the notice requirement of Rule 21; (ii)~~  
9 ~~a bill or resolution re-referred to the Rules Committee from a~~  
10 ~~standing committee or special committee shall be re-referred to~~  
11 ~~that committee, subject to the notice requirement of Rule 21;~~  
12 ~~and (iii) a bill or resolution re-referred to the Rules~~  
13 ~~Committee from Second Reading or Third Reading shall be~~  
14 ~~re-referred to the proper order of business on the Daily~~  
15 ~~Calendar, provided the bill or resolution shall be carried on~~  
16 ~~the Daily Calendar for at least one legislative day prior to~~  
17 ~~consideration by the House. Legislative measures, other than~~  
18 ~~bills or resolutions, that are discharged from the Rules~~  
19 ~~Committee shall be referred as follows: (i) an amendment, joint~~  
20 ~~action motion for final action, or conference committee report~~  
21 ~~shall be referred to the committee that considered the~~  
22 ~~underlying bill or resolution and (ii) any other legislative~~  
23 ~~measure shall be referred to the proper order of business on~~  
24 ~~the Daily Calendar, provided the legislative measure shall be~~  
25 ~~carried on the Daily Calendar for at least one legislative day~~  
26 ~~prior to consideration by the House. Rulings of the Presiding~~



1 ~~Officer related to this subsection (g) may not be appealed.~~

2 ~~This subsection may not be suspended.~~

3 (h) Except for those provisions that may not be suspended,  
4 this Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote of 71  
5 members elected.

6 (House Rule 19)

7 19. Re-Referrals to the Rules Committee.

8 (a) All legislative measures that fail to meet the  
9 applicable deadline established under Rule 9 for reporting to  
10 the House by a standing committee or a special committee, for  
11 Third Reading and passage, or for consideration of joint action  
12 motions and conference committee reports are automatically  
13 re-referred to the Rules Committee unless: (i) the deadline has  
14 been suspended or revised by the Speaker, with re-referral to  
15 the Rules Committee to occur if the bill has not been reported  
16 to the House in accordance with a revised deadline; ~~or~~ (ii) the  
17 Rules Committee has issued a written exception to the Clerk  
18 with respect to a particular bill before the reporting  
19 deadline, with re-referral to occur, if at all, in accordance  
20 with the written exception; or (iii) the bill or resolution is  
21 pending before the House on the Petition Calendar. When a bill  
22 is re-referred to the Rules Committee after failure to meet the  
23 Third Reading deadline, any floor amendment to the bill  
24 remaining in a standing or special committee shall also be  
25 re-referred to the Rules Committee.

1 (b) All legislative measures pending before the House or  
2 any of its committees are automatically re-referred to the  
3 Rules Committee on the 31st consecutive day that the House has  
4 not convened for session unless: (i) any deadline applicable to  
5 the bill or resolution that has been designated by the Speaker  
6 under Rule 9 exceeds 31 days, with re-referral to occur, if at  
7 all, in accordance with that deadline; (ii) this Rule is  
8 suspended under Rule 67; ~~or~~ (iii) the Rules Committee, by the  
9 affirmative vote of a majority appointed, issues a written  
10 exception to the Clerk before that 31st day; or (iv) the bill  
11 or resolution is pending before the House on the Petition  
12 Calendar.

13 (House Rule 21)

14 21. Notice.

15 (a) Except as provided in Rule 18(e) or unless this Rule is  
16 suspended under Rule 67 or unless the Rules Committee by  
17 majority vote waives the notice requirement for a subject  
18 matter hearing of any committee, standing committees, special  
19 committees, committees created under Article X of these Rules,  
20 and subcommittees of those committees shall not consider or  
21 conduct a hearing with respect to a subject matter or a  
22 legislative measure absent notice first being given as follows:

23 (1) The Chairperson of the committee, or the  
24 Co-Chairperson from the majority caucus of a standing or  
25 special committee, shall, no later than 6 days before any

1 proposed hearing, post a notice on the House bulletin board  
2 identifying each subject matter and each legislative  
3 measure, ~~other than a committee amendment upon initial~~  
4 ~~consideration under Rule 40,~~ that may be considered during  
5 that hearing. Committee amendments filed no later than the  
6 deadline established in Rule 40 may be considered pursuant  
7 to two hours advance notice. The notice shall contain the  
8 day, hour, and place of the hearing. Legislative measures  
9 and subject matters posted for hearing as provided in this  
10 item (1) may also be considered at any committee hearing  
11 re-convened following a recess of the committee for which  
12 notice was posted, but only if the House has met or was  
13 scheduled to meet in regular, veto, or special session on  
14 each calendar day from the time of the original committee  
15 hearing to the re-convened committee hearing.

16 (2) Meetings of the Rules Committee may be called under  
17 Rule 15; meetings of the standing committees and special  
18 committees to consider floor amendments, joint action  
19 motions for final action ~~consideration~~, conference  
20 committee reports, and motions to table committee  
21 amendments may be called under Rule 18.

22 (3) The Chairperson, or Co-Chairperson from the  
23 majority caucus of a standing or special committee, shall,  
24 in advance of a committee hearing, notify all Principal  
25 Sponsors of legislative measures posted for that hearing of  
26 the date, time, and place of hearing. When practical, the

1 Clerk shall include a notice of all scheduled hearings,  
2 together with all posted bills and resolutions, in the  
3 Daily Calendar of the House. Regardless of whether a  
4 particular legislative measure or subject matter has been  
5 posted for hearing, it is in order for a committee during  
6 any of its meetings to refer a subject matter or  
7 legislative measure pending before it to a subcommittee of  
8 that committee.

9 (b) Other than the Rules Committee, no committee may meet  
10 during any session of the House, and no commission created by  
11 Illinois law that has legislative membership may meet during  
12 any session of the House.

13 (c) Each standing appropriations committee shall meet at  
14 least once during each month of the calendar year. When the  
15 House is not in session, each standing appropriations committee  
16 shall hold each month at least one hearing in Illinois at a  
17 location other than the City of Springfield or the City of  
18 Chicago.

19 (d) ~~(e)~~ Regardless of whether notice has been previously  
20 given, it is always in order for a committee to table any  
21 legislative measure pending before it when the Principal  
22 Sponsor so requests, subject to Rule 60.

23 (e) ~~(d)~~ This Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative  
24 vote of 71 members elected, subject to Rule 25.

1           22. Committee Procedure.

2           (a) A committee may consider any legislative measure  
3 referred to it, except as provided in subsection (b), and may  
4 make with respect to that legislative measure one of the  
5 following reports to the House or to the parent committee, as  
6 appropriate:

7                   (1) that the bill "do pass";

8                   (2) that the bill "do not pass";

9                   (3) that the bill "do pass as amended";

10                   (4) that the bill "do not pass as amended";

11                   (5) that the resolution "be adopted";

12                   (6) that the resolution "be not adopted";

13                   (7) that the resolution "be adopted as amended";

14                   (8) that the resolution "be not adopted as amended";

15                   (9) that the floor amendment, joint action motion,  
16 conference committee report, or motion to table a committee  
17 amendment referred by the Rules Committee "be adopted";

18                   (10) that the floor amendment, joint action motion,  
19 conference committee report, or motion to table a committee  
20 amendment referred by the Rules Committee "be not adopted";

21                   (11) "without recommendation"; or

22                   (12) "tabled".

23           Any of the foregoing reports may be made only upon the  
24 concurrence of a majority of those appointed. All legislative  
25 measures reported "do pass", "do pass as amended", "be  
26 adopted", or "be adopted as amended" are favorably reported to

1 the House. Except as otherwise provided by these Rules, any  
2 legislative measure referred or re-referred to a committee and  
3 not reported under this Rule shall remain in that committee.

4 (b) No bill or committee amendment that provides for an  
5 appropriation of money from the State Treasury may be  
6 considered by an Appropriations Committee unless the bill or  
7 committee amendment is limited to appropriations to a single  
8 department, office, or institution; this provision does not  
9 apply to floor amendments, joint action motions, or conference  
10 committee reports.

11 No bill that provides for an appropriation of money from  
12 the State Treasury may be considered for passage by the House  
13 unless it has first been favorably reported by an  
14 Appropriations Committee or:

15 (1) the bill was discharged from an Appropriations  
16 Committee under Rule 58;

17 (2) the bill was exempted from this requirement by a  
18 majority of those appointed to the Rules Committee; or

19 (3) this Rule was suspended under Rule 67.

20 Standing appropriations committees shall conduct hearings  
21 for the purpose of reviewing (i) performance data compiled by  
22 departments of State government pursuant to Section 50-15 of  
23 the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of  
24 Illinois and (ii) other performance data that is requested by  
25 the committees from departments of State government and other  
26 recipients of State appropriations.

1 (c) The Chairperson of each committee, or Co-Chairperson  
2 from the majority caucus of a standing or special committee,  
3 shall keep, or cause to be kept by the Clerk's Office, a record  
4 in which there shall be entered:

5 (1) The time and place of each meeting of the  
6 committee.

7 (2) The attendance of committee members at each  
8 meeting.

9 (3) The votes cast by the committee members on all  
10 legislative measures acted on by the committee.

11 (4) The "Record of Committee Witness" forms executed by  
12 each person appearing or registering in each committee  
13 meeting, which shall include identification of the  
14 witness, the person, group, or firm represented by  
15 appearance and the capacity in which the representation is  
16 made (if the person is representing someone other than  
17 himself or herself), his or her position on the legislation  
18 under consideration, and the nature of his or her desired  
19 testimony.

20 (5) An audio recording of the proceedings.

21 (6) Such additional information as may be requested by  
22 the Clerk.

23 (d) The committee Chairperson, or the Co-Chairperson from  
24 the majority caucus of a standing or special committee, shall  
25 file with the Clerk, along with every legislative measure  
26 reported upon, a written report containing such information as

1 required by the Clerk. The Clerk may adopt forms, policies, and  
2 procedures with respect to the preparation, filing, and  
3 maintenance of the reports.

4 (e) When a committee fails to report a legislative measure  
5 pending before it to the House, or when a committee fails to  
6 hold a public hearing on a legislative measure pending before  
7 it, the exclusive means to bring that legislative measure  
8 directly before the House for its consideration is as provided  
9 in Rule 18 or Rule 58.

10 (f) No legislative measure may be called for a vote in a  
11 standing committee or special committee in the absence of the  
12 Principal Sponsor. The committee Chairperson, the committee  
13 Minority Spokesperson, or a chief co-sponsor may present a bill  
14 or resolution in committee with the approval of the Principal  
15 Sponsor when the committee consents. In the case of standing or  
16 special committees with Co-Chairpersons from different  
17 political parties, the "Chairperson" means the Co-Chairperson  
18 from the majority caucus, and the "Minority Spokesperson" means  
19 the Co-Chairperson from the minority caucus. This subsection  
20 may not be suspended.

21 (g) Motions for committee approval of bills and resolutions  
22 are renewable, provided that no bill or resolution may be voted  
23 on more than twice in any committee on motions to report the  
24 bill or resolution favorably, or to reconsider the vote by  
25 which the committee adopted a motion to report the bill or  
26 resolution unfavorably. A bill or resolution having failed to



1 receive a favorable recommendation after 2 such record votes  
2 shall be automatically reported with the appropriate  
3 unfavorable recommendation.

4 (h) A bill or resolution shall be given short debate status  
5 by report of the committee if the bill or resolution was  
6 favorably reported by a three-fifths vote of the members  
7 present and voting, including those voting "present". Bills and  
8 resolutions receiving favorable reports may be placed upon the  
9 Consent Calendar as provided in Rule 42.

10 (i) This Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote  
11 of 71 members elected.

12 (House Rule 28)

13 28. Sessions of the House.

14 (a) The House is in session whenever it convenes in  
15 perfunctory session, regular session, veto session, special  
16 session, or joint session with the Senate. Members are entitled  
17 to per diem expense reimbursements authorized by law only on  
18 those regular, veto, special session, and joint session days  
19 that they are in attendance at the House and either (i) are  
20 recorded as present on the quorum roll call or (ii) personally  
21 appear before the Clerk or the Clerk's designee after the  
22 quorum roll call but prior to the close of the Clerk's Office  
23 for the day. Attendance by members is not required or recorded  
24 on perfunctory session days.

25 (b) Regular and veto session days shall be scheduled with

1 notice by the Speaker under Rule 9. Special session days shall  
2 be scheduled in accordance with the Constitution and laws of  
3 Illinois. The Speaker may convene the House when deemed  
4 necessary, regardless of whether a different date or time has  
5 been established.

6 (c) The Speaker may schedule perfunctory session days  
7 during which the Clerk may read into the House record any  
8 legislative measure, except that no bill shall be read for a  
9 second time during perfunctory session. Committees may meet and  
10 may consider and act upon legislative measures during a  
11 perfunctory session day, and the Clerk may receive and read  
12 committee reports into the House record during a perfunctory  
13 day. Except for automatic referral under these Rules, no  
14 further action may be taken by the House with respect to a  
15 legislative measure during a perfunctory session day.

16 (House Rule 31)

17 31. Standing Order of Business. The ~~Unless otherwise~~  
18 ~~determined by the Presiding Officer,~~ the standing daily order  
19 of business of the House is as follows:

20 (1) Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance,  
21 and Roll Call.

22 (2) Petition Calendar.

23 (3) ~~(2)~~ Approval of the Journal.

24 (4) ~~(3)~~ Reading of House Bills a first time.

25 (5) ~~(4)~~ Reports from committees, with reports from the

1 Rules Committee ordinarily made at any time.

2 (6) ~~(5)~~ Presentation of Resolutions, Petitions, and  
3 Messages.

4 (7) ~~(6)~~ Introduction of House Bills.

5 (8) ~~(7)~~ Messages from the Senate, not including reading  
6 Senate Bills a first time.

7 (9) ~~(8)~~ Reading of House Bills a second time.

8 (10) ~~(9)~~ Reading of House Bills a third time.

9 (11) ~~(10)~~ Reading of Senate Bills a third time.

10 (12) ~~(11)~~ Reading of Senate Bills a second time.

11 (13) ~~(12)~~ Reading of Senate Bills a first time.

12 (14) ~~(13)~~ House Bills on the Order of Concurrence.

13 (15) ~~(14)~~ Senate Bills on the Order of Non-Concurrence.

14 (16) ~~(15)~~ Conference Committee Reports.

15 (17) ~~(16)~~ Motions in Writing.

16 (18) ~~(17)~~ Constitutional Amendment Resolutions.

17 (19) ~~(18)~~ Motions with respect to Vetoes.

18 (20) ~~(19)~~ Consideration of Resolutions.

19 (21) ~~(20)~~ Motions to Discharge Committee.

20 (22) ~~(21)~~ Motions to Take from the Table.

21 (23) ~~(22)~~ Motions to Suspend the Rules.

22 (24) ~~(23)~~ Consideration of Bills on the Order of  
23 Postponed Consideration.

24 The Presiding Officer may vary the daily order of business  
25 of the House, but only with respect to items (3) through (24);  
26 items (1) and (2) must always be the first and second orders of

1 business. The House may also return to the order of business  
2 under item (2) at the direction of the Presiding Officer or  
3 upon the adoption of a motion to change the order of business.

4 This rule may not be suspended.

5 (House Rule 37)

6 37. Bills.

7 (a) A bill may be introduced in the House by sponsorship of  
8 one or more members of the House, whose names shall be on the  
9 reproduced copies of the bills, in the House Journal, and in  
10 the Legislative Digest. The Principal Sponsor shall be the  
11 first name to appear on the bill and may be joined by no more  
12 than 4 chief co-sponsors with the approval of the Principal  
13 Sponsor; other co-sponsors shall be separated from the  
14 Principal Sponsor and any chief co-sponsors by a comma. The  
15 Principal Sponsor may change the sponsorship of a bill to that  
16 of one or more other Representatives, or to that of the  
17 standing committee or special committee to which the bill was  
18 referred or from which the bill was reported. Such change may  
19 be made at any time the bill is pending before the House or any  
20 of its committees by filing a notice with the Clerk, provided  
21 that the addition of any member as a Principal Sponsor, chief  
22 co-sponsor, or co-sponsor must be with that member's consent.  
23 This subsection may not be suspended.

24 (b) The Principal Sponsor of a bill controls that bill. A  
25 committee-sponsored bill is controlled by the Chairperson, or

1 if Co-Chairpersons have been appointed, by the Co-Chairperson  
2 from the majority caucus, who for purposes of these Rules is  
3 deemed the Principal Sponsor. Committee-sponsored bills may  
4 not have individual co-sponsors.

5 (c) The Senate sponsor of a bill originating in the Senate  
6 may request substitute House sponsorship of that bill by filing  
7 a notice with the Clerk. Such notice is automatically referred  
8 to the Rules Committee. The notice shall include the bill  
9 number, signature of the Senate sponsor, signature of the  
10 substitute House sponsor, and a statement that the original  
11 House sponsor was provided with notice of intent to request a  
12 substitute House sponsor. A notice that satisfies the  
13 requirements of this subsection shall be approved by the Rules  
14 Committee. If the Rules Committee does not act on a notice that  
15 satisfies the requirements of this subsection within 3  
16 legislative days after its referral, then the notice is deemed  
17 approved and the Clerk shall substitute sponsorship. This  
18 subsection shall be in effect if, and only for so long as, the  
19 Rules of the Senate include a reciprocal privilege for House  
20 sponsors and the Senate complies with the rule. This subsection  
21 may not be suspended.

22 (d) All bills introduced in the House shall be read by  
23 title a first time, ordered reproduced, and automatically  
24 referred to the Rules Committee in accordance with Rule 18.  
25 After a Senate Bill is received and a House member has  
26 submitted notification to the Clerk of sponsorship of that

1 bill, it shall be read by title, ordered reproduced, and  
2 automatically referred to the Rules Committee in accordance  
3 with Rule 18.

4 (e) All bills introduced into the House shall be  
5 accompanied by 6 copies. Any bill that amends a statute shall  
6 indicate the particular changes in the following manner:

7 (1) All new matter shall be underscored.

8 (2) All matter that is to be omitted or superseded  
9 shall be shown crossed with a line.

10 (e-5) Appropriation bills for the operation of State  
11 government shall make appropriations pursuant to the  
12 standardized line items identified as items (1) through (18) of  
13 Section 13 of the State Finance Act with specific appropriation  
14 amounts for each item. Appropriations for other purposes may be  
15 included in an appropriation bill only if required by law or if  
16 it has been a custom and practice as documented by  
17 appropriations enacted for state fiscal year 2009.

18 This subsection (e-5) may be suspended only by the  
19 affirmative vote of 71 members elected.

20 (f) No bill shall be passed by the House except on a record  
21 vote of a majority of those elected, subject to Rule 69. A bill  
22 that has lost on third reading and has not been reconsidered  
23 may not thereafter be revived. If a motion for the adoption of  
24 a first conference committee report fails and the motion is not  
25 reconsidered, then a second conference committee may be  
26 appointed as provided in Rule 76(c). If a motion for the

1 adoption of a second conference committee report fails and is  
2 not reconsidered, then the bill may not thereafter be revived.

3 (g) An appropriation bill that is amended in the House may  
4 not be considered on Third Reading until the third calendar day  
5 following the adoption or tabling of any House Committee or  
6 House floor amendments to the bill.

7 This subsection (g) may be suspended only by the  
8 affirmative vote of 71 members elected

9 (House Rule 37.5)

10 37.5. Amendments to Taxpayer Accountability and Budget  
11 Stabilization Act.

12 (a) From the commencement of the 97th General Assembly  
13 until June 30, 2015, no bill that amends or refers to Section  
14 201.5 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, or that seeks to  
15 appropriate or transfer money pursuant to a declaration of a  
16 fiscal emergency under Section 201.5 of that Act, may be moved  
17 from the order of Second Reading to the order of Third Reading  
18 unless a motion to approve such measure for consideration has  
19 been adopted by a record vote of 71 members, provided that a  
20 bill that amends or refers to Section 201.5 of the Illinois  
21 Income Tax Act and decreases a rate of taxation shall not be  
22 subject to this subsection (a). If such a bill is on the order  
23 of concurrence or in the form of a conference committee report,  
24 no motion to concur or to adopt that conference committee  
25 report is in order unless a motion to approve such measure for

1 consideration has been adopted by a record vote of 71 members.  
2 Nothing in this House Rule shall be deemed to alter the vote  
3 requirement for final passage of a legislative measure required  
4 by the Illinois Constitution.

5 (b) Any motion made pursuant to subsection (a) to approve a  
6 legislative measure for consideration must be in writing. Upon  
7 receipt of the written motion, the Clerk shall immediately  
8 notify the Speaker and the Minority Leader. The motion shall  
9 not be referred to a committee. The motion must be carried on  
10 the calendar before it may be taken up by the House and may  
11 then be immediately considered and adopted by the House. The  
12 motion is renewable and may be reconsidered, provided that once  
13 that motion is adopted, it shall not be reconsidered.

14 (c) This Rule may not be suspended except by unanimous  
15 consent.

16 (House Rule 40)

17 40. Amendments.

18 (a) An amendment to a bill may be adopted by a standing  
19 committee or special committee when the bill is before that  
20 committee. An amendment to a bill may be adopted by the House  
21 when a bill is on the order of Second Reading if: (i) the Rules  
22 Committee has referred the floor amendment to the House for  
23 consideration under Rule 18; (ii) a standing committee or  
24 special committee has referred the floor amendment to the  
25 House; or (iii) the floor amendment has been discharged from



1 committee pursuant to Rule 18(g) or Rule 58. All amendments  
2 must be in writing. All committee amendments for which advance  
3 notice was given pursuant to Rule 21 ~~that have been referred to~~  
4 ~~a standing committee or special committee by the Rules~~  
5 ~~Committee~~ shall be considered by the committee or a  
6 subcommittee of that committee prior to consideration by the  
7 committee of the bill to which the amendment relates. All  
8 committee amendments not adopted to a bill prior to the  
9 favorable reporting of the bill by a standing committee or  
10 special committee or its re-referral to the Rules Committee are  
11 automatically tabled. All floor amendments not adopted to a  
12 bill and that are still pending in a committee or before the  
13 House upon the passage or defeat of a bill on Third Reading are  
14 automatically tabled, provided that any floor amendment tabled  
15 pursuant to this Rule shall automatically be taken from the  
16 table upon the adoption of a motion to reconsider the vote for  
17 the passage or defeat of the bill on Third Reading.

18 (b) Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, committee  
19 amendments (i) may be offered only by the Principal Sponsor or  
20 a member of the committee while the affected bill is before  
21 that committee, (ii) shall be automatically referred to such  
22 committee, and (iii) shall be adopted by a majority of those  
23 appointed. Floor amendments may be offered for adoption only by  
24 a Representative while the bill is on the order of Second  
25 Reading, subject to Rule 18, and shall be adopted by a majority  
26 vote of the House. The sponsor of a committee or floor

1 amendment may change the sponsorship of the amendment to that  
2 of another member, with that other member's consent. Such  
3 change may be made at any time the amendment is pending before  
4 the House or any of its committees by filing notice with the  
5 Clerk. A committee amendment may be the subject of a motion to  
6 "do adopt" or "do not adopt". A committee amendment may be  
7 adopted only by a successful motion to "do adopt". The  
8 Chairperson of a committee may refer any committee amendment to  
9 a subcommittee of that committee.

10 (c) Committee amendments shall be filed with the Clerk no  
11 later than 3:00 p.m. the business day before a meeting at which  
12 the bill or resolution it amends may be considered. "Business  
13 day" does not include Saturday, Sunday, or State or federal  
14 holidays unless the House is in session or the Clerk's office  
15 is otherwise open to the public on that day. Floor amendments  
16 shall be filed with the Clerk only while the bill is on the  
17 order of Second Reading or Third Reading. Amendments are in  
18 order only when 6 copies have been filed. The Clerk shall  
19 number amendments sequentially in the order submitted, and all  
20 amendments that are in order shall be considered in ascending  
21 numerical order.

22 (d) When an amendment is filed with the Clerk it shall be  
23 ordered reproduced. No committee amendment may be adopted by a  
24 committee, and no ~~The Clerk shall have reproduced all adopted~~  
25 ~~committee amendments that come before the House. The Clerk~~  
26 ~~shall also have reproduced all floor amendments referred to the~~

1 ~~House by a committee. No~~ floor amendment may be considered by a  
2 committee or adopted by the House unless it has been reproduced  
3 and placed on the members' desks in the same manner as for  
4 bills under Rule 39.

5 (e) No floor amendment is in order unless it has been first  
6 referred to the House for consideration by the Rules Committee  
7 under Rule 18, or favorably reported by, or discharged from, a  
8 standing committee or special committee. A floor amendment may  
9 be referred to the House for consideration, or to a standing or  
10 special committee, only while the bill is on the order of  
11 Second Reading or Third Reading.

12 (f) Amendments that propose to alter any existing law shall  
13 conform to the requirements of Rule 37(e).

14 (g) If a committee reports a bill "do pass as amended", the  
15 committee amendments are deemed adopted by the committee action  
16 ~~and shall be reproduced and placed on the members' desks (which~~  
17 ~~may be done in the same manner as provided for bills under Rule~~  
18 ~~39) before the bill may be read a second time.~~

19 (h) In the case of special committees with Co-Chairpersons  
20 from different political parties, the "Chairperson" for the  
21 purposes of this Rule is the Co-Chairperson from the majority  
22 caucus.

23 (i) Amendments to resolutions are subject to the same  
24 procedural requirements that apply to amendments to bills.

25 (House Rule 42.1 new)

1           42.1. Petition Calendar.

2           (a) The Principal Sponsor of a bill or resolution may file  
3 with the Clerk a motion signed by 71 members requesting  
4 placement of that bill or resolution on the Petition Calendar  
5 with regard to any bill or resolution pending in a House  
6 Committee or pending on an order of business on the Daily  
7 Calendar.

8           (b) The Clerk shall include a Petition Calendar on the  
9 Daily Calendar and designate it as a separate part of the Daily  
10 Calendar. A bill or joint resolution for a constitutional  
11 amendment that is pending in a committee when a petition motion  
12 is filed shall be placed on the Petition Calendar order of  
13 Second Reading. Any other type of resolution that is pending in  
14 a committee when a petition motion is filed shall be placed on  
15 the Petition Calendar order of Resolutions. A bill or  
16 resolution that is on an order of business on the Daily  
17 Calendar when a petition motion is filed shall be placed on the  
18 same order of business on the Petition Calendar.

19           (c) A legislative measure on the Petition Calendar shall be  
20 moved between Petition Calendar orders of business at the  
21 request of the Principal Sponsor, except as otherwise limited  
22 by these Rules.

23           (d) Whenever the House is on this order of business, the  
24 principal sponsor of each legislative measure on the Petition  
25 Calendar shall have the right to call that measure for  
26 consideration by the House.

1           (e) This rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote  
2 of 71 members elected.

3           (House Rule 43)

4           43. Changing Order of Business.

5           (a) Any order of business may be changed at any time by the  
6 Speaker or Presiding Officer, except as limited by Rule 31.

7           (b) Any order of business may be changed at any time upon  
8 the motion of any member, supported by 5 additional members, if  
9 the motion is adopted by an affirmative vote of 71 members  
10 elected.

11           (c) This Rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote  
12 of 71 members elected.

13           (House Rule 44)

14           44. Special Orders; Rules Committee.

15           (a) A special order of business may be set by the Rules  
16 Committee or by the Speaker. The Principal Sponsor of a bill or  
17 resolution must consent to the placement of the bill or  
18 resolution on a special order. A special order shall fix the  
19 day to which it applies and the matters to be included. The  
20 Speaker, or the Rules Committee by a vote of a majority of the  
21 members appointed, may establish time limits for a special  
22 order and may establish limitations on debate during a special  
23 order (notwithstanding Rule 52), in which event the allotted  
24 time shall be fairly divided between proponents and opponents

1 of the legislation to be considered. A special order of  
2 business takes the place of the standing order for such time as  
3 may be necessary for its completion but may occur no earlier  
4 than after the completion of standing order (2) of Rule 31.

5 Only matters that may otherwise properly be before the House  
6 may be included in a special order.

7 (b) A special order shall appear on the Daily Calendar for  
8 3 legislative days. ~~This subsection (b) may be suspended only~~  
9 ~~by the affirmative vote of 71 members elected.~~

10 (c) A special order may be suspended, amended, or modified  
11 by motion adopted by an affirmative vote of 60 members. A  
12 special order shall be suspended by a written objection signed  
13 by 3 members of the Rules Committee and filed during the first  
14 legislative day on which the special order appears on the  
15 calendar.

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

18 (House Rule 45)

19 45. Resolutions.

20 (a) A resolution may be introduced in the House by  
21 sponsorship of one or more members of the House, and the names  
22 of all sponsors shall be included in the House Journal and in  
23 the Legislative Digest. Each resolution introduced shall be  
24 accompanied by 6 copies. ~~Consideration of resolutions shall be~~  
25 ~~governed by Rule 16 and Rule 66.~~

1 (b) The Principal Sponsor of a resolution controls that  
2 resolution. The Principal Sponsor of a resolution, or the  
3 sponsor of an amendment to a resolution, may change the  
4 sponsorship of the resolution or amendment, as applicable, to  
5 that of another member, with that other member's consent, by  
6 filing notice with the Clerk. A standing committee-sponsored  
7 resolution is controlled by the Chairperson of the committee,  
8 or if Co-Chairpersons have been appointed, by the  
9 Co-Chairperson from the majority caucus, who for purposes of  
10 these Rules is deemed the Principal Sponsor. A special  
11 committee-sponsored resolution is controlled by the  
12 Chairperson, or if Co-Chairpersons have been appointed, by the  
13 Co-Chairperson from the majority caucus, who for purposes of  
14 these Rules is deemed the Principal Sponsor.  
15 Committee-sponsored resolutions may not have individual  
16 co-sponsors.

17 (c) Any resolution calling for the expenditure of State  
18 funds may be adopted only by a record vote of a majority of  
19 those elected.

20 (House Rule 51)

21 51. Decorum.

22 (a) When any member is about to speak to the House, he or  
23 she shall rise and address the Presiding Officer as "Speaker".  
24 The Presiding Officer, upon recognizing the member, shall  
25 address him or her by name, and thereupon the engineer in

1 charge of operating the microphones in the House shall give the  
2 use of the microphone to the member who has been so recognized.  
3 The member in speaking shall confine himself or herself to the  
4 subject matter under discussion and avoid personalities.

5 (b) Questions affecting the rights, reputation, and  
6 conduct of members of the House in their representative  
7 capacity are questions of personal privilege. A matter of  
8 personal explanation does not constitute a question of personal  
9 privilege.

10 (c) If 2 or more members rise at once, the Presiding  
11 Officer shall name the member who is to speak first.

12 (d) No person shall give any signs of approbation or  
13 disapprobation while the House is in session.

14 (e) Recognition of guests by any member is prohibited,  
15 except that the Speaker or Presiding Officer may recognize an  
16 honored guest.

17 (f) While the Presiding Officer is putting a question, no  
18 member shall leave or walk across the House Chamber. When a  
19 member is addressing the House, no member or other person  
20 entitled to the floor shall entertain private discourse or pass  
21 between the member speaking and the Presiding Officer. When the  
22 House is on any of the following orders of business, no  
23 messages from individuals located outside the House Chamber  
24 shall be delivered in the Chamber by a doorkeeper, page, or any  
25 other person: Reading of House Bills a third time, Reading of  
26 Senate Bills a third time, House Bills on the Order of



1 Concurrence, Senate Bills on the Order of Non-Concurrence, and  
2 Conference Committee Reports.

3 (g) In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct, the  
4 Speaker or Presiding Officer may order that the lobby, gallery,  
5 or hallways adjoining the House Chamber be cleared.

6 (h) No literature may be distributed on the House floor.

7 (i) No member may be absent from a session of the House  
8 unless he or she has leave or is sick or his or her absence is  
9 unavoidable. The switch to the electrical roll call recording  
10 equipment located on the desk of any member who has been  
11 excused or is absent shall be locked by the Clerk and shall not  
12 be unlocked until the member returns and files with the Clerk a  
13 request to be shown as present on the quorum roll call as  
14 provided in Rule 32(c).

15 (House Rule 52)

16 52. Debate.

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

20 (1) Short Debate: Debate is limited to a 2-minute  
21 presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member  
22 designated by the Principal Sponsor, a 2-minute  
23 presentation by a member in response, and one minute for  
24 the Principal Sponsor to close debate, or yield to other  
25 members; provided that at the request of 7 members before

1 the close of debate, the debate status shall be opened to  
2 standard debate;

3 (2) Standard Debate: Debate is limited to a 5-minute  
4 presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member  
5 designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each of 2  
6 additional proponents of the legislative measure and by 3  
7 members in response to the legislative measure, and 3  
8 minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close debate, or yield  
9 to other members;

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

16 (4) Unlimited Debate: Debate shall consist of a  
17 10-minute presentation by the Principal Sponsor or a member  
18 designated by the Principal Sponsor, debate by each  
19 proponent and member in response who seeks recognition, and  
20 5 minutes for the Principal Sponsor to close debate, or  
21 yield to other members; or

22 (5) Amendment Debate: Debate on floor amendments  
23 referred to the House from a committee, or discharged from  
24 a committee, is limited to a 3-minute presentation by the  
25 Principal Sponsor, or a member designated by the Principal  
26 Sponsor, debate by one proponent, debate by each of 2

1 members in response, and 3 minutes for the Principal  
2 Sponsor to close debate, or yield to other members.

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

6 (b) All legislative measures, except floor amendments,  
7 that are (i) referred to the House from a committee, (ii) or  
8 discharged from a committee, or (iii) on the Petition Calendar  
9 are automatically assigned standard debate status, subject to  
10 subsection (c) of this Rule, except those assigned to the  
11 Consent Calendar or short debate status by a standing committee  
12 or a special committee. All floor amendments referred to the  
13 House from a committee, or discharged from a committee, are  
14 automatically assigned amendment debate status, subject to  
15 subsection (c) of this Rule.

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

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

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

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

20 (g) This Rule may not be suspended.

21 (House Rule 75)

22 75. House Consideration of Joint Action.

23 (a) No joint action motion for final action or conference  
24 committee report may be considered by the House unless it has  
25 first been referred to the House by the Rules Committee or a

1 standing committee or special committee in accordance with Rule  
2 18, or unless the joint action motion or conference committee  
3 report has been discharged from the Rules Committee under Rule  
4 18. ~~Joint action motions for final consideration and conference~~  
5 ~~committee reports referred to a standing committee or special~~  
6 ~~committee by the Rules Committee may not be discharged from the~~  
7 ~~standing committee or special committee.~~ This subsection (a)  
8 may be suspended by unanimous consent.

9 (b) No conference committee report may be considered by the  
10 House unless it has been reproduced and placed on the members'  
11 desks, in the same manner as provided for bills under Rule 39,  
12 for one full day during the period beginning with the convening  
13 of the House on the 2nd Wednesday of January each year and  
14 ending on the 30th day prior to the scheduled adjournment of  
15 the regular session established each year by the Speaker  
16 pursuant to Rule 9(a), and for one full hour on any other day.

17 (c) Before any conference committee report on an  
18 appropriation bill is considered by the House, the conference  
19 committee report shall first be the subject of a public hearing  
20 by a standing Appropriations Committee or a special committee  
21 (the conference committee report need not be referred to an  
22 Appropriations Committee or special committee, but instead may  
23 remain before the Rules Committee or the House, as the case may  
24 be). The hearing shall be held pursuant to not less than one  
25 hour advance notice by announcement on the House floor, or one  
26 day advance notice by posting on the House bulletin board. An

1 Appropriations Committee or special committee shall not issue  
2 any report with respect to the conference committee report  
3 following the hearing.

4 (d) Any House Bill amended in the Senate and returned to  
5 the House for concurrence in the Senate amendment shall lie  
6 upon the desk of the Clerk for not less than one hour before  
7 being further considered.

8 (e) No House Bill that is returned to the House with Senate  
9 amendments may be called except by the Principal Sponsor, or by  
10 a chief co-sponsor with the consent of the Principal Sponsor.  
11 This subsection may not be suspended.

12 (f) Except as otherwise provided in Rule 74, the report of  
13 a conference committee on a non-appropriation bill or  
14 resolution shall be confined to the subject of the bill or  
15 resolution referred to the conference committee. The report of  
16 a conference committee on an appropriation bill shall be  
17 confined to the subject of appropriations.

18 (House Rule 76.5 new)

19 76.5. Appropriation Bills. Joint action motions for final  
20 action on the order of Concurrence regarding an appropriation  
21 bill shall not be considered by the House until the third  
22 calendar day following the day that the bill was received back  
23 in the House with one or more amendments added by the Senate.  
24 Joint action motions for final action on the order of  
25 Non-concurrence regarding an appropriation bill shall not be

1 considered by the House until the third calendar day following  
2 the day that the bill was received back in the House with a  
3 message requesting the House to recede from one or more of its  
4 amendments. Joint action motions for final action on the order  
5 of Conference Committee Reports regarding an appropriation  
6 bill shall not be considered by the House until the third  
7 calendar day following the day that the conference report to  
8 which the motion applies was filed with the Clerk.

9 Nothing in this rule limits consideration of a joint action  
10 motion for final action by a committee of the House or a joint  
11 committee of the House and Senate.

12 This rule may be suspended only by the affirmative vote of  
13 71 members elected.

14 (House Rule 102)

15 102. Definitions. As used in these Rules, terms have the  
16 meanings ascribed to them as follows, unless the context  
17 clearly requires a different meaning:

18 (1) Chairperson. "Chairperson" means that  
19 Representative designated by the Speaker to serve as chair  
20 of a committee.

21 (2) Co-Chairperson. "Co-Chairperson" means a  
22 Representative designated by the Speaker to serve as  
23 co-chair of a standing or special committee.

24 (3) Clerk. "Clerk" means the elected Clerk of the  
25 House.

1           (4) Committee. "Committee" means a committee of the  
2 House and includes a standing committee, the Rules  
3 Committee, a special committee, committees created under  
4 Article X and Article XII of these Rules, and a  
5 subcommittee of a committee. "Committee" does not mean a  
6 conference committee, and the procedural and notice  
7 requirements applicable to committees do not apply to  
8 conference committees.

9           ~~(4.5) Committee amendment. "Committee amendment" means~~  
10 ~~an amendment referred by the Rules Committee to a standing~~  
11 ~~committee or special committee while the bill or resolution~~  
12 ~~it amends is before that committee.~~

13           (5) Constitution. "Constitution" means the  
14 Constitution of the State of Illinois.

15           (6) General Assembly. "General Assembly" means the  
16 current General Assembly of the State of Illinois.

17           (7) House. "House" means the House of Representatives  
18 of the General Assembly.

19           (8) Joint Action Motions. "Joint action motions" means  
20 the following motions before the House: to concur in a  
21 Senate amendment, to non-concur in a Senate amendment, to  
22 recede from a House amendment, to refuse to recede from a  
23 House amendment, to request that a conference committee be  
24 appointed, and to adopt a conference committee report.

25           (8.5) Joint Action Motions for Final Action. "Joint  
26 action motions for final action" means the following



1        motions before the House: to concur in a Senate amendment,  
2        to recede from a House amendment, and to adopt a conference  
3        committee report.

4            (9) Legislative Digest. "Legislative Digest" means the  
5        Legislative Synopsis and Digest that is prepared by the  
6        Legislative Reference Bureau of the General Assembly.

7            (10) Legislative Measures. "Legislative measures"  
8        means all matters brought before the House for  
9        consideration, whether originated in the House or Senate,  
10       and includes bills, amendments, resolutions, conference  
11       committee reports, motions, messages, notices, and  
12       Executive Orders from the executive branch.

13           (11) Majority. "Majority" means a majority of those  
14       members present and voting on a question. Unless otherwise  
15       specified with respect to a particular House Rule, for  
16       purposes of determining the number of members present and  
17       voting on a question, a "present" vote shall not be  
18       counted.

19           (12) Majority Caucus. "Majority caucus" means that  
20       group of Representatives from the numerically strongest  
21       political party in the House.

22           (13) Majority of those Appointed. "Majority of those  
23       appointed" means a majority of the total number of  
24       Representatives authorized under these Rules to be  
25       appointed to a committee.

26           (14) Majority of those Elected. "Majority of those

1       elected" means a majority of the total number of  
2       Representatives entitled to be elected to the House,  
3       regardless of the number of elected or appointed  
4       Representatives actually serving in office. So long as 118  
5       Representatives are entitled to be elected to the House,  
6       "majority of those elected" means 60 affirmative votes; 71  
7       affirmative votes means three-fifths of the members  
8       elected; and 79 affirmative votes means two-thirds of the  
9       members elected.

10       (15) Member. "Member" means a Representative. Where  
11       the context so requires, "member" may also mean a Senator  
12       of the Illinois Senate.

13       (16) Members Appointed. "Members appointed" means the  
14       total number of Representatives authorized under these  
15       Rules to be appointed to a committee.

16       (17) Members Elected. "Members elected" means the 118  
17       Representatives entitled to be elected to the House,  
18       regardless of the number of elected or appointed  
19       Representatives actually serving in office.

20       (18) Minority Caucus. "Minority caucus" means that  
21       group of Representatives from the second numerically  
22       strongest political party in the House.

23       (19) Minority Leader. "Minority Leader" means the  
24       Minority Leader of the House elected under Rule 2.

25       (20) Minority Spokesperson. "Minority spokesperson"  
26       means that Representative designated by the Minority

1 Leader to serve as the minority spokesperson of a  
2 committee.

3 (21) Perfunctory Session. "Perfunctory session" means  
4 the convening of the House, pursuant to the scheduling of  
5 the Speaker, for purposes consistent with Rule 28.

6 (22) Presiding Officer. "Presiding Officer" means that  
7 Representative serving as the presiding officer of the  
8 House, whether that Representative is the Speaker or  
9 another Representative designated by the Speaker under  
10 Rule 4.

11 (23) Principal Sponsor. "Principal sponsor" means the  
12 first listed House sponsor of any legislative measure; with  
13 respect to a committee-sponsored bill or resolution, it  
14 means the Chairperson of the committee or the  
15 Co-Chairperson from the majority caucus.

16 (24) Record Vote. "Record vote" means a vote by ayes  
17 and nays entered on the journal.

18 (25) Representative. "Representative" means any duly  
19 elected or duly appointed Illinois State Representative,  
20 and means the same as "member".

21 (26) Senate. "Senate" means the Senate of the General  
22 Assembly.

23 (27) Speaker. "Speaker" means the Speaker of the House  
24 elected as provided in Rule 1.

25 (28) Term. "Term" means the 2-year term of a General  
26 Assembly.

1           (29) Vice-Chairperson. "Vice-Chairperson" means that  
2           Representative designated by the Speaker to serve as  
3           Vice-Chairperson of a committee."