House Calendar

Thursday, January 19, 2017

16th DAY OF THE BIENNIAL SESSION

House Convenes at 1:00 PM

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H.R. 5

House resolution relating to House Rules

Rep. Deen of Westminster, for the Committee on Rules, recommends the resolution be amended by striking all after the resolved clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

<u>First</u>: That Rule 40 of the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives be amended to read:

40. (a) During the first year of the biennium, except:

(1) Except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no member may introduce a bill into the House drafted in standard form, after the last day of February or submit any requests unless he or she submits the request to the Office of Legislative Council that a bill be drafted in this form later than on or before the last legislative day of January and approves the bill for public release on or before the fourth legislative day before the end of February. During the first year of the biennium, a

(2) A member may submit a request to the Office of Legislative Council for a bill to be drafted in standard form relating to the adoption or amendment of a municipal charter or to the approval of a municipal merger at any time and may introduce such a bill at any time.

(3) <u>A</u> member may introduce a bill into the House drafted in short form at any time, and may submit requests submit a request to the Office of Legislative Council that for a bill to be drafted in this short form at any time and may introduce such a bill at any time.

(b) During the second year of the biennium, except:

(1) Except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no member may introduce a bill into the House drafted in standard form after the last day of January or submit any requests unless he or she submits the request to the Office of Legislative Council that a bill be drafted in this form later than on or before the fifteenth day of January, and approves the bill for public release on or before the last legislative day of January. During the second year of the biennium, a

(2) A member may submit a request to the Office of Legislative Council for a bill to be drafted in standard form relating to the adoption or amendment of a municipal charter or to the approval of a municipal merger at any time and may introduce such a bill at any time.

(3) Except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no member may introduce a bill into the House drafted in short form until the second Friday after the annual Town meeting day, and may submit requests unless he or she submits the request to the Office of Legislative Council that a bill be drafted in short form until on or before the fifteenth day of February and approves the bill for public release on or before the second Friday after the annual Town meeting day.

(c) During the first year of the biennium, a Committee may submit a request to the Office of Legislative Council for a bill to be drafted in standard form at any time and may introduce such a bill at any time. During the second year of the biennium, except with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules, no committee, except the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Ways and Means, or the Committee on Government Operations, may introduce a bill drafted in standard form after unless it approves the bill for public release on or before the last legislative day of March. The, except for the Committee on Appropriations and on Ways and Means, which may introduce a bill drafted in standard form submit a request to the Office of Legislative Council at any time, and the Committee on Government Operations may introduce a bill drafted in standard form submit a relating to changes in a town or city charter and may approve the bill for public release at any time.

(d) For the purposes of this rule, a request for drafting by to the Office of Legislative Council shall contain specific instructions as to the content of the bill sufficient to permit its drafting in accordance with Rules 41 and 42.

<u>Second</u>: That Rule 90(f) of the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives be amended to read:

(f) The House Rules Committee shall, at the beginning of the biennium, or as soon as possible thereafter, establish a Sexual Harassment <u>Prevention</u> Panel with the authority to receive, investigate, and resolve complaints of sexual harassment, retaliation, and noncompliance made against members or officers of the House. The panel shall be comprised of five members of the House.

(Committee Vote: 7-0-0)

H.R. 6

House resolution amending the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives related to members' disclosure form

Rep. Deen of Westminster, for the Committee on Rules, recommends the resolution be amended by striking out all after the resolved clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

That Rule 14a of the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives be amended to read:

14a. On or before the 10th day of the beginning of the biennium, each member shall submit to the Clerk a disclosure form prepared by the Clerk. The form shall be signed by the member, be publicly available <u>on the official</u> website of the General Assembly and of the Clerk, and may be updated. The form shall set forth, to the best of the member's ability, the following information applicable as of the date of submission:

(a) any boards, commissions, or other entities <u>that are regulated by law or</u> <u>that receive funding from the State</u> on which the member serves; a description of that <u>the member's</u> position <u>on the board</u>, commission, or entity; and, except in the case of legislative appointments, whether the member receives any form of remuneration for that position; and

(b) the member's employer.

(Committee Vote: 7-0-0)

Consent Calendar

Concurrent Resolutions

The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before the end of the session of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary's office and/or the House Clerk's office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar.

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Information Notice

Drafting Request Deadline

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