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SIXTEENTH DAY Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio Wednesday, February 18, 2009, 1:30 p.m.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Steven Smith, Linworth Baptist Church, Worthington, Ohio, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The journal of the last legislative day was read and approved.

On the motion of Senator Faber, the Senate recessed until $2{:}05~\mathrm{p.m.}$

The Senate met pursuant to the recess.

REPORTS OF REFERENCE AND BILLS FOR SECOND CONSIDERATION

Senator Schuler reports for the Standing Committee on Reference, recommending that the following bills and concurrent resolution, standing in order for second consideration, be referred to committee as recommended:

S. B. No. 51-Senator Morano.

Cosponsors: Senators Sawyer, Miller, D., Turner, Kearney, Smith, Fedor, Hughes, Schuler, Goodman.

To enact section 5.2239 of the Revised Code to designate the last week of May as "Ohio Turfgrass Week."

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. B. No. 52-Senator Grendell.

To amend sections 121.02, 121.03, 121.05, 121.06, 121.07, 121.11, 121.13, 121.15, and 121.17, to enact new section 121.04 and to enact sections 117.103, 121.041, 121.042, 121.043, 121.044, 121.045, 121.046, 121.047, 121.048, and 121.049 and to repeal section 121.04 of the Revised Code to reorganize the executive branch of state government.

To the Committee on State and Local Government and Veterans' Affairs.

S. B. No. 53-Senators Miller, D., Smith, Fedor, Morano.

To enact sections 121.086 and 2303.32 of the Revised Code to require the

Director of Commerce to establish a residential foreclosure tracking system and prepare an annual report on residential foreclosure filings and sales in each county.

To the Committee on Finance and Financial Institutions.

S. B. No. 54-Senator Roberts.

Cosponsors: Senators Miller, D., Turner, Smith, Morano, Seitz, Fedor, Schuler.

To enact sections 5.2239 and 3701.136 of the Revised Code to designate November as "Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month" and to require the Department of Health to include on its web site information regarding the syndrome.

To the Committee on Health, Human Services and Aging.

S. B. No. 55-Senator Fedor.

Cosponsors: Senators Sawyer, Miller, R.

To amend sections 3301.0718, 3313.60, 3313.6011, 3313.814, 3314.03, and 3326.11 and to enact section 3301.23 of the Revised Code to establish standards for comprehensive sexual health education in public schools, to create the Office of Healthy Schools within the Department of Education, to require the State Board of Education to adopt health education standards closely modeled after the National Health Education Standards (NHES) developed by the Joint Committee on National Health Standards, and to designate section 3313.6011 of the Revised Code as the "Act for Our Children's Future."

To the Committee on Education.

S. C. R. No. 2-Senator Gibbs.

Cosponsors: Senators Seitz, Schuring, Faber, Buehrer, Schuler.

To request the Ohio Congressional delegation to oppose legislation that disenfranchises Ohio workers by removing their right to a private ballot union election.

To the Committee on Insurance, Commerce and Labor.

YES - 5: SHIRLEY A. SMITH, CAPRI S. CAFARO, MARK D. WAGONER, ROBERT L. SCHULER, TOM NIEHAUS.

NO - 0.

The question being, "Shall the report of the committee be accepted?" The report of the committee was accepted.

Said bills and concurrent resolution were considered a second time and referred to committee as recommended.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Carey submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Finance and Financial Institutions, to which was referred **S. J. R. No. 1**-Senators Grendell, Wilson, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute resolution and recommends its adoption.

Co-Sponsors: Smith, Miller, R., Carey, Cates, Stewart, Widener, Wagoner, Faber.

YES - 12: CHRIS WIDENER, TOM PATTON, BILL SEITZ, MARK D. WAGONER, DALE MILLER, JOHN A. CAREY, GARY W. CATES, JIMMY STEWART, JASON H. WILSON, SHIRLEY A. SMITH, RAY MILLER, KEITH L. FABER.

NO - 0.

The question being, "Shall the report of the committee be accepted?" The report of the committee was accepted.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE

Sub. S. J. R. No. 1-Senators Grendell, Wilson. Cosponsors: Senators Harris, Patton, Schuler, Schaffer, Hughes, Fedor, Miller, D., Smith, Widener, Miller, R., Wagoner, Carey, Cates, Stewart, Faber.

Proposing to enact Section 2r of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to provide compensation to veterans of the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house concurring herein, that there shall be

submitted to the electors of the state, in the manner prescribed by law at the general election to be held on November 3, 2009, a proposal to enact Section 2r of Article VIII of the Constitution of Ohio to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

Section 2r. (A) Upon the request of the department of veterans services, the Ohio public facilities commission shall proceed to issue and sell, from time to time, bonds or other obligations of the state in such amounts as are necessary to provide all or part of the funds as may be required to pay the compensation established by, and the expenses of administering, this section. The original principal amount of obligations so issued shall not exceed two hundred million dollars, provided that obligations issued under this section to retire or refund obligations previously issued under this section shall not be counted against that issuance limitation. The full faith and credit, revenue, and taxing power of the state is hereby pledged for payment of debt service on such obligations issued under this section, and the state covenants to continue the levy, collection, and application of sufficient state excises, taxes, and revenues to the extent needed for those purposes; provided that moneys referred to in Section 5a of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio may not be pledged or used for the payment of debt service. As used in this section, "debt service" means principal and interest and other accreted amounts payable on the obligations authorized by this section.

Each obligation so issued shall mature not later than the thirty-first day of December of the fifteenth calendar year after its issuance, except that obligations issued to refund obligations under this section shall mature not later than the thirty-first day of December of the fifteenth calendar year after the year in which the original obligation was issued. Except for obligations issued under this section to retire or refund obligations previously issued under this section, no obligations shall be issued under this section later than December 31, 2013.

In the case of the issuance of any obligations under this section as bond anticipation notes, provision shall be made in the bond or note proceedings for the establishment, and the maintenance during the period the notes are outstanding, of special funds into which there shall be paid, from the sources authorized for payment of the bonds anticipated, the amount that would have been sufficient to pay the principal that would have been payable on those bonds during that period if bonds maturing serially in each year over the maximum period of maturity referred to in this section had been issued without the prior issuance of the notes. Those special funds and investment income on them shall be used solely for the payment of debt service on those notes or the bonds anticipated.

The obligations issued under this section, their transfer, and the interest, interest equivalent, and other income thereon, including any profit made on their sale, exchange, or other disposition, shall at all times be free from taxation within the state.

Such obligations may be sold at public or private sale as determined by

the Ohio public facilities commission.

(B) Out of the proceeds of the sale of all obligations, except those issued to refund or retire obligations previously issued under this section, the amount that represents accrued interest, if any, shall be paid into the state treasury into the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund, which is hereby created. As determined at the time of sale, the amount that represents premium shall be paid into either the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund or the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. The balance of the proceeds shall be paid into the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund. All proceeds of the sale of any obligations issued under this section to refund or retire obligations previously issued under this section shall be paid into the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund and used to pay debt service on those outstanding obligations so refunded. The general assembly may appropriate and cause to be paid into the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund or the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund, out of money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as is proper for use for the purposes for which such funds are created. Except for amounts advanced by the general assembly to the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund with the express expectation of reimbursement from the proceeds of obligations paid into that fund, and except for amounts transferred under division (E) of this section for the purpose of defraying the immediate cost of administration and compensation, if the general assembly appropriates any funds to the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund prior to the time obligations have been issued in the original principal amount authorized in this section, that original principal amount authorized in this section shall be reduced by the amount of funds appropriated.

(C) On or before the fifteenth day of July of each fiscal year, the Ohio public facilities commission shall certify, or cause to be certified, to the director of budget and management the total amount of money required during the current fiscal year, together with all other money that will be available in the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund, to meet in full all debt service and related financing costs on the obligations issued under this section. The director shall transfer from the general revenue fund to the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund, without necessity of appropriation by the general assembly, an amount equal to the amount so certified, and those funds shall be used for the payment of the debt service.

(D)(1) The Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund shall be paid out upon the order of the department of veterans services, without necessity of appropriation by the general assembly, in payment of the expenses of administering this section and as compensation as follows to each person who meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) The person has served in active duty in the United States armed forces, except active duty for training only, at any time between August 2, 1990, and March 3, 1991, at any time between October 7, 2001, and the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of involvement of the United States armed forces in Afghanistan, or at any time between March 19, 2003, and the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of the involvement of the United States armed forces in Iraq.
- (b) The person was an Ohio resident at the start of active duty service and is currently an Ohio resident.
- (c) The person was separated from the United States armed forces under honorable conditions, is still serving in active duty service, or remains in any reserve component of the United States armed forces or in the Ohio national guard after serving on active duty.

A person who meets the requirements of divisions (D)(1)(a), (b), and (c) of this section is entitled to, and may apply to receive, compensation of fifty dollars for each month of active domestic or foreign service and one hundred dollars for each month of Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service during the compensable periods. A person who is medically discharged or medically retired from service due to combat-related disabilities sustained during Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service is entitled to, and may apply to receive, compensation of one thousand dollars. The maximum amount of cash payable to any person in active domestic or foreign service is five hundred dollars and the maximum amount of cash payable to any person in Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service is one thousand dollars, unless the person qualifies for a survivor's payment or a payment based on missing in action or prisoner of war status under division (D)(2) or (D)(3) of this section. Compensation for a fraction of a month of service shall be paid on the basis of one-thirtieth of the appropriate monthly amount for each day of service.

(2) The surviving spouse, surviving child or children, or surviving parent or parents, including a person or persons standing in loco parentis for at least one year preceding commencement of service in the United States armed forces, is entitled to, and may apply to receive, the same amount of compensation that the person who served in the armed forces would have received under division (D)(1) of this section. If the United States department of veterans' affairs determines that the person's death was the result of injuries or illness sustained in Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service, the person's survivors are entitled to, and may apply for, a survivor's payment of five thousand dollars, regardless of the amount of compensation that the deceased would have been entitled to receive under this section, if living. The survivor's payment shall be made to the surviving spouse. If there is no surviving spouse, the payment shall go to the surviving child or children. If there are no surviving children, the payment shall go to the surviving parent or parents or person or persons standing in loco parentis for at least one year preceding commencement of service in the United States armed forces.

(3) A person designated by the United States department of defense as missing in action as a result of honorable service or held in enemy captivity, or the spouse, child, or parent, including a person standing in loco parentis for at least one year preceding commencement of service in the United States armed forces, of a person designated as missing in action or held in enemy captivity, is entitled to, and may apply for, a payment of five thousand dollars. This payment replaces any other cash benefit payable under this section. While the person is missing or held captive, the payment shall be made to the person's spouse. If there is no spouse to claim the payment, payment shall be made to the person's child or children. If the person does not have children, payment shall be made to the person's parent or parents or person or persons standing in loco parentis for at least one year preceding commencement of service in the United States armed forces.

No payment to a spouse, child, parent, or person in loco parentis of a person designated as missing in action as a result of honorable service or held in enemy captivity, while the person is missing in action or held captive, shall prevent the missing or captive person from claiming and receiving a bonus of an equal amount on the person's release or location.

- (4) Compensation shall not be paid under this section as follows:
- (a) To any person who received from another state a bonus or compensation of a similar nature;
- (b) To any person who served less than ninety days in the United States armed forces, unless active duty was terminated as a result of injuries or illness sustained during Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service during the compensable period;
- (c) To any person for any time period spent under penal confinement during the compensable period.
- (5) No sale or assignment of any right or claim to compensation under this section shall be valid. No claims of creditors shall be enforceable against rights or claims to or payments of compensation under this section. No fees shall be charged for services in connection with the prosecution of any right or claim to compensation or the collection of any compensation under this section.
- (6) All applications for payment of compensation under this section shall be made to the department of veterans services according to the following schedule:
 - (a) For Persian gulf service, not later than December 31, 2013;
- (b) For Afghanistan service, not later than three years after the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of involvement of the United States armed forces in Afghanistan;
- (c) For Iraq service, not later than three years after the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of involvement of the United States

armed forces in Iraq.

(7) As used in this section:

"Afghanistan service" means military service within Afghanistan during the period between October 7, 2001, and the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of the involvement of the United States armed forces in Afghanistan.

"Domestic service" means service within the territorial limits of the fifty states.

"Foreign service" means service in locations other than the territorial limits of the fifty states, excluding Persian gulf, Afghanistan, or Iraq service.

<u>"Iraq service" means military service within Iraq during the period</u> between March 19, 2003, and the date determined by the president of the United States as the end of the involvement of the United States armed forces in Iraq.

"Persian gulf service" means military service within the Persian gulf theater of operations during the period between August 2, 1990, and March 3, 1991.

"United States armed forces" includes the army, air force, navy, marine corps, and coast guard; any active reserve component of such forces; and members of the Ohio national guard serving on active duty.

(E) The department of veterans services (hereinafter referred to as the "department") shall have complete charge of making payment of compensation under division (D) of this section and shall adopt rules, including rules regarding the amounts to which beneficiaries are entitled, residency requirements for purposes of division (D)(1)(b) of this section, and any other rules necessary to implement this section. These rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

The department shall select and appoint legal counsel and employees as are necessary and fix their compensation and prescribe their duties. All appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the director of veterans services. When practical, the department shall employ Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflict veterans to fill such positions. The general assembly shall transfer necessary funds to the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund and to the department's operating budget, for the purpose of defraying the immediate cost of administration and compensation. Any funds so transferred shall not reduce the original principal amount of obligations that may be issued under this section.

On payment of all valid claims for cash compensation made within the time limitations under this section, the department may transfer any funds remaining in the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund to the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund.

On retirement of all of the obligations issued under this section and payment of all valid claims for cash compensation made within the time limitations under this section, the department shall make a final report to the general assembly. Any balance remaining in the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund or the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation bond retirement fund shall be transferred or disposed of as provided by law.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, valid claims for cash compensation made within the time limitations under this section shall be paid only if adequate funds remain in the Persian gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts compensation fund.

- (F) The people of this state declare it to be their intention that this amendment in no manner affects or changes any of the existing provisions of the Constitution except as set forth in this section. The provisions of this section shall be self-executing.
- (G) Debt service on obligations issued pursuant to this section shall not be included in the calculation of total debt service for purposes of division (A) of Section 17 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.
- (H) As provided in divisions (C) and (D)(1) of this section, no further act of appropriation is necessary, notwithstanding Section 22 of Article II of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.
- (I) Any reference in this section to a public office, officer, or body shall include any successor thereto.

EFFECTIVE DATE

If adopted by a majority of the electors voting on this proposal at the general election held November 3, 2009, Section 2r of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio shall take effect immediately.

The question being, "Shall the joint resolution, **Sub. S. J. R. No. 1**, be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Buehrer	Cafaro	Carey	Cates
Coughlin	Faber	Fedor	Gibbs
Gillmor	Goodman	Grendell	Hughes
Husted	Kearney	Miller D	Miller R
Morano	Niehaus	Patton	Roberts
Sawyer	Schaffer	Schiavoni	Schuler
Schuring	Seitz	Smith	Stewart
Turner	Wagoner	Widener	Wilson-32.

So the joint resolution was adopted.

The question being, "Shall the title be agreed to?"

Senator Grendell moved to amend the title as follows:

Add the names: "Buehrer, Cafaro, Gibbs, Gillmor, Goodman, Kearney, Morano, Roberts, Sawyer, Schiavoni, Schuring, Turner."

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

MOTIONS

Senator Wagoner moved that Senators absent the week of Sunday, February 15, 2009, be excused, so long as a written explanation is on file with the Clerk pursuant to Senate Rule No. 17.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

Senator Niehaus offered the following concurrent resolution:

S. C. R. No. 3-Senator Niehaus.

To adopt Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for the 128th General Assembly.

RESOLVED: That the following are the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for the 128th General Assembly:

JOINT RULES JOINT SESSIONS

Rule 1. (Convention: place and procedure.) Whenever the two branches of the General Assembly convene for any purpose required by the Constitution or laws of the state, such convention shall be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives, unless otherwise ordered by a joint resolution of the two branches, and the President of the Senate shall preside. During all such conventions each branch shall be held to be in session as a separate branch of the General Assembly and to be governed by its own rules; and except in voting on questions unique to the convention, where each member is entitled to a separate vote, shall act as such and no question shall be considered as carried otherwise than by the concurrent action of both branches; provided, that either branch may, by a vote of a majority of all its members, dissolve from such convention by withdrawing therefrom; and such convention may, by the concurrent vote of the two branches, take a recess or adjourn to a time certain, but such recess or adjournment of the convention shall not be held to be an adjournment or recess of either branch nor to prevent either from proceeding with its usual business during such recess or adjournment of the convention.

Rule 2. (Voting in convention.) In voting on all questions unique to a convention, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to a choice.

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES

Rule 3. (Joint select committees: creation.) The President may initiate creation of a joint select committee of the Senate and House for the purpose of considering a Senate bill or a Senate joint or concurrent resolution. The Speaker may initiate creation of a joint select committee of the Senate and House for the purpose of considering a House bill or a House joint or concurrent resolution. A bill or joint or concurrent resolution shall not be referred to a joint select committee if its main feature is the appropriation of money or a proposal to alter or modify the state's existing tax structure.

To initiate creation of a joint select committee, the President shall cause to be read before the Senate or the Speaker shall cause to be read before the House a message creating the joint select committee. After the message is read, it shall lie over one calendar day before it is voted upon. If the message is approved, it shall be transmitted to the second house. Upon receipt, the President or Speaker shall cause the message to be read before the second house. After the message is read in the second house, it shall lie over one calendar day before it is voted upon. If the message is approved in the second house, the joint select committee thereupon is created as specified in the message. The second house shall notify the first of its disposition of the message. The message shall be spread in full upon the Senate and House Journals.

The message is not amendable and shall be voted upon as a whole. Either house, by vote of a majority of the members elected thereto, may suspend the requirement that the message lie over one calendar day before it is voted upon in that house.

The message shall be provided to each member of the Senate and House at the time it is read therein.

The message shall specify the name of the joint select committee, the equal number of members the joint select committee is to have from each house, the number of members of the majority party and the number of members of the minority party the joint select committee is to have from each house, the purpose the joint select committee is to fulfill, and any special rules with respect to submission of its report. The bill or joint or concurrent resolution shall be attached to the message.

Reading of the message in the first house constitutes second consideration of the bill in that house; the reading of the message and second consideration of the bill shall be recorded in the journal of the first house. Reading of the message in the second house constitutes first consideration of the bill in that house; the reading of the message and first consideration of the bill shall be recorded in the journal of the second house.

Rule 4. (Joint select committees: members and officers.) A joint select committee shall have an equal number of members from the Senate and House.

The President shall appoint, and may remove and replace, the Senate members of a joint select committee. The Senate Minority Leader, in a manner to be determined by the Senate Minority Caucus, may recommend Senate minority party members for a joint select committee. The Speaker shall appoint, and may remove and replace, the House members of a joint select committee. The House Minority Leader, in a manner to be determined by the House Minority Caucus, may recommend House minority party members for a joint select committee. The President and Speaker shall appoint members from their respective houses as necessary to fill vacancies on a joint select committee. The appointment or removal of a member of a joint select committee shall be entered upon the journal of the house from which the member is appointed.

If a joint select committee is created to consider a Senate bill or joint or concurrent resolution referred by the Senate, the first-named Senate member is chairman and the first-named House member is vice-chairman of the joint select committee. If a joint select committee is created to consider a House bill or joint or concurrent resolution referred by the House, the first-named House member is chairman and the first-named Senate member is vice-chairman of the joint select committee.

In the absence of the chairman of a joint select committee, the vice-chairman of the joint select committee has the duties and authority of the chairman.

Rule 5. (Joint select committees: consideration and report by.) A joint select committee shall study and conduct hearings with respect to, and may amend or substitute, the bill or joint or concurrent resolution. The joint select committee may report the bill or joint or concurrent resolution. Bills or joint or concurrent resolutions that are reported shall be filed in sextuplicate with the clerk of the house where the bill or joint or concurrent resolution originated. The original bill or joint or concurrent resolution shall accompany the report. The joint select committee shall indicate in the report the members who voted "yes" and "no" on the report.

The report shall be presented to the house where the bill or joint or concurrent resolution originated and shall be spread upon the journal.

If a bill reported by a joint select committee passes the house of origin, its subsequent introduction in the second house constitutes second consideration of the bill in that house. The introduction and second consideration of the bill shall be recorded in the journal of the second house.

A bill or joint or concurrent resolution reported by a joint select committee is not required to be referred to a Senate or House standing or select committee or subcommittee.

Rule 6. (Joint select committees: quorum; voting.) A majority of the Senate members and a majority of the House members of a joint select committee is a quorum. Each member of a joint select committee has one vote. A joint select committee may not take any action unless the action is agreed to

by a majority of its members on the part of the Senate and by a majority of its members on the part of the House. However, except for reporting a bill or joint or concurrent resolution with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed or passed or adopted, a joint select committee, by vote of a majority of its members on the part of the Senate and a majority of its members on the part of the House, may choose to take any action upon agreement, not of separate majorities, but of a majority of all the members of the whole joint select committee.

A proxy vote in a joint select committee is invalid. A member of a joint select committee who is present shall vote unless excused by the joint select committee. A member of a joint select committee is not entitled to vote except while actually present in a meeting of the joint select committee, unless the member has first actually been present in the meeting, and the vote is continued for members who, before the vote, were actually present in, but at the time of the vote are absent from, the meeting. Continuation of a vote may not extend later than midnight of the day on which the vote was continued.

Rule 7. (Joint select committees: subpoena power; power to administer oaths.) The chairman of a joint select committee, when authorized by the joint select committee and by the President and Speaker, may issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum in aid of the joint select committee's consideration of a bill or joint or concurrent resolution that has been referred to the joint select committee. Subpoenas may require witnesses in any part of the state to appear before the joint select committee at a time and place designated in the subpoena to testify. Subpoenas duces tecum may require witnesses or other persons in any part of the state to produce books, papers, records, and other tangible evidence before the joint select committee at a time and place designated in the subpoena duces tecum. A subpoena or subpoena duces tecum shall be issued, served, and returned, and have consequences, as provided in sections 101.41 to 101.45 of the Revised Code.

The chairman of a joint select committee may administer oaths to witnesses appearing before the joint select committee.

Rule 8. (Joint select committees: open meetings.) All meetings of a joint select committee shall be open to the public unless closed in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 13.

The chairman of a joint select committee, not later than two days before a meeting of the joint select committee, shall give due notice of the meeting. The notice shall identify the joint select committee, identify the chairman, state the time and place at which the meeting will be held, and set forth an agenda showing the bill or joint or concurrent resolution that will be considered at the meeting. If an emergency requires consideration of a bill or joint or concurrent resolution at a meeting, and two days' advance notice of the meeting therefore is impractical, the chairman may schedule an emergency meeting of the joint select committee by giving twenty-four hours' advance notice of the emergency meeting to the news media that have requested such notification and the bill or

joint or concurrent resolution then may be considered at the emergency meeting as the emergency requires.

A joint select committee shall not meet during a session of the Senate or House, except by special leave of that house.

Rule 9. (Joint select committees: records.) The chairman of a joint select committee shall maintain a record of evidence that is presented before, or obtained by, the joint select committee.

The joint select committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings and at each meeting except the first shall approve the minutes taken at the previous meeting, or, if the minutes require correction, shall correct and approve the minutes. The joint select committee shall maintain a record of its approved minutes, and promptly after approval shall file a copy of its minutes with the Clerk of the Senate and Clerk of the House.

When a joint select committee concludes its work, or upon sine die adjournment of the house of which the joint select committee's chairman is a member, the chairman shall deliver all the joint select committee's records to the Clerk of the Senate if the chairman is a member of the Senate or to the Clerk of the House if the chairman is a member of the House.

VETOES

Rule 10. (Question when bill is vetoed.) When under Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 16, a message is transmitted to the house of origin by the Governor, expressing disapproval of any bill or item of an appropriation bill that has been passed by the General Assembly, the house of origin may reconsider and repass the bill or item. If the house of origin repasses the bill or item, it shall send the bill or item, together with the message of the Governor expressing disapproval, to the other house, which then may reconsider and repass the bill or item. A vetoed bill or item shall be repassed by not fewer than three-fifths of the members elected to each house, and in no case by a fewer number of votes than was constitutionally required upon its original passage. The question upon reconsidering a vetoed bill in either house shall be presented as follows: "Shall the bill (or item or items of an appropriation bill) be passed notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?" The vote shall be taken in either house by calling the yeas and nays and shall be recorded in the journal.

BILLS

- Rule 11. (Form of bills introduced.) Bills introduced in either house shall be printed, shall bear the name of the author, and must in all respects, as to form, comply with the laws and the rules of both houses of the General Assembly.
- Rule 12. (Content of title of bills.) Bills shall have noted in their titles a distinct reference to the subject or matter to which they relate and also, if they propose the amendment or repeal of any law, to the section proposed to be amended or repealed.
 - Rule 13. (Printing of bills and resolutions.) Bills and joint and concurrent

resolutions, unless otherwise ordered by the house in which they are introduced or offered, shall be printed and available for distribution upon first consideration.

Rule 14. (Drafting of bills.) Bills shall be submitted for introduction with all material double-spaced. The Legislative Service Commission shall determine the size of the paper on which bills shall be printed and the manner in which all new language and punctuation to be amended or enacted into the Revised Code and all language and punctuation to be eliminated from an existing section of the Revised Code shall be formatted.

CONCURRENCE

Rule 15. (When notice of action on bills or resolutions shall be given to the other house.) When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution has been passed or adopted in either house, notice shall be forthwith given to the other house. When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution that has been passed or adopted in one house is rejected or lost in the other, or postponed indefinitely, notice thereof shall forthwith be given to the other house.

Rule 16. (Procedure when a bill or resolution is amended by the other house.) When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution has passed or been adopted in one house, and been amended, passed or adopted, and returned by the other, it shall lie over one calendar day, unless otherwise ordered by a majority of the members elected to the house to which it was returned. The amendment shall be printed in the journal of the house to which it was returned. The bill or joint or concurrent resolution shall be placed on the calendar. The calendar shall show on what page of the journal the amendment has been printed.

When taken up, the question shall be on the concurrence in the amendment of the other house and no motions shall be in order except (1) a motion to informally pass or (2) if the rules of the member's house authorize such a motion, a motion of a member to add or remove the member's name from the bill or joint or concurrent resolution. The same number of votes shall be required to concur in the amendment as was required to pass or adopt the bill or joint or concurrent resolution in the house in which it originated; if the question be upon concurrence in an amendment to a bill which has passed the other house as an emergency measure, then a vote shall be taken first, upon the emergency features of the bill and second, upon concurrence in the amendment. The same number of votes shall be required on each vote as was required to pass the bill as an emergency measure. If such house refuses to concur in the amendment to the bill or joint or concurrent resolution, or if the house refuses to agree to the emergency features of the bill, notice shall be forthwith sent to the other house where the proceedings shall be either:

First, to insist upon its amendment and ask for a committee of conference;

Second, to recede from its amendment, which has the effect of passing the bill or adopting the joint or concurrent resolution in the form in which it passed or was adopted by the house in which it originated; or Third, to adhere to its amendment, which precludes a committee of conference.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

Rule 17. (Membership of committee; acceptance of report.) All committees of conference are joint committees that shall consist of three members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives unless committee membership is otherwise specially ordered by both houses.

If a committee of conference has under consideration a House bill or joint or concurrent resolution, the first-named House member shall be chair of the committee. If the committee has a Senate bill or joint or concurrent resolution under consideration, the first-named Senate member shall be chair.

A question in a committee of conference shall be decided by at least a majority of the members on the part of the Senate and a majority of the members on the part of the House. However, except for the question of agreeing to the committee's report, the committee, by vote of a majority of its members on the part of the Senate and a majority of its members on the part of the House, may choose to decide a question, not by separate majorities, but by a majority of all the members of the whole committee.

Rule 18. (Procedure when the committee disagrees.) Whenever any committee of conference cannot reach agreement, another committee may be appointed; and if either of the two houses disagrees to any report of a committee of conference, such house shall forthwith notify the other house of such disagreement, and upon request of that house another committee shall be appointed.

If the disagreeing house does not make such a request, the committee of conference whose report was refused may proceed to propose another report.

Rule 19. (What the report may include.) A committee of conference appointed to consider matters of difference between the two houses upon any bill or joint or concurrent resolution may consider and include in its report any amendments pertinent to the bill or joint or concurrent resolution, provided such amendments relate exclusively to the original matters of difference between the two houses.

Rule 20. (When the report of the committee is in order; consideration.) The report of a committee of conference cannot be laid on the table, referred to a committee, or indefinitely postponed, and must be voted upon as a whole.

Conference committee reports shall lie over at least one day after conference committee approval before the House or Senate may consider them, unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of all the members present in that house.

Rule 21. (Where the papers are to be filed.) When a committee of conference has met and come to an agreement, or where no agreement is reached, the bill or joint or concurrent resolution and papers adhering thereto

shall remain in the house in which the bill or joint or concurrent resolution originated.

Rule 22. (Vote required by each house.) The yeas and nays shall be called upon agreeing to the report of the committee of conference, and except as otherwise provided in this rule, no such report shall be agreed to unless it receives the vote of a majority of the members elected to each house.

In the case of emergency bills, or bills to which an emergency clause was attached by the committee of conference, the report shall receive two votes of two-thirds of the members elected to each house. The question on the first such vote shall be: "Shall the emergency clause of the bill stand as part of the report?" The question on the second such vote shall be: "Shall the report of the committee of conference be agreed to as an emergency measure?"

In the case of joint resolutions proposing amendments to the Ohio Constitution, the report shall receive the votes of not fewer than three-fifths of the members elected to each house. The joint resolution shall be spread in full upon the journal of each house.

When the question of agreeing to the report of a committee of conference is taken up, no motions are in order except (1) a motion to informally pass or (2) if a rule of the member's house authorizes such a motion, a member's motion to add or remove the member's name from the bill or joint or concurrent resolution.

MESSAGES

Rule 23. (By and to whom delivered.) All messages sent from one house to the other shall be carried by an officer or employee of the sending house, who shall take a receipt for the same from the message clerk of the receiving house to whom the officer or employee delivers the message. The message clerk shall deliver the message without delay to the clerk of the receiving house and take a receipt therefor from the receiving clerk or one of the receiving clerk's assistants authorized by the receiving clerk to receipt for messages. The receiving clerk shall deliver each message to the presiding officer of the receiving house, who shall, in the proper order of business, and within a reasonable time, lay it before the house.

ENGROSSMENT OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Rule 24. (Manner of engrossment of bills and resolutions.) All bills and resolutions, before they are passed or adopted by either house, shall be carefully engrossed in printing, and the engrossed copy shall be carefully compared with the original bill or resolution and with the journal showing the amendments agreed to.

Rule 25. (Printing.) When the Clerk of the Senate or Clerk of the House is required to print a bill, resolution, report, or other document belonging to or in the possession of the Senate or House, the Clerk may use a method of printing as contemplated by sections 101.51 to 101.524 of the Revised Code.

Rule 26. (Manner of engrossment when bill or resolution amended by the

other house.) When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution has passed or been adopted in one house, and been amended in the other, the bill or joint or concurrent resolution, as amended, shall be fully engrossed, and both returned, with the engrossed bill or joint or concurrent resolution received from the other house, to the house in which it originated. In such engrossments, amendments shall be engrossed in printing. Whenever a bill or joint or concurrent resolution is passed or adopted in one house and sent to the other and a substitute therefor is agreed to by such house, in the communications between the houses, such substitutes shall be designated and treated as an amendment to the original bill or resolution.

SIGNING OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Rule 27. (Who shall sign bills and joint resolutions; procedure when bill vetoed by Governor.) All bills and joint resolutions that have passed or been adopted in both houses shall be first signed by the presiding officer of the House of Representatives, and then by the presiding officer of the Senate, the latter delivering the same to the Clerk of the Senate, who shall deliver each bill so passed to the Governor, taking a receipt therefor, and each joint resolution to the Secretary of State, taking a receipt therefor. When any bill is vetoed by the Governor and subsequently enacted into law over such veto, in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 16, the enrolled copy shall be endorsed with the record of the proceedings in each house subsequent to the veto attested by the presiding officer of the House and the presiding officer of the Senate, and the presiding officer of the second house shall file it with the Secretary of State.

GENERAL PROCEDURE

Rule 28. (Floor privileges for the news media.) Whenever the two branches of the General Assembly are convened in joint convention, representatives of the press and representatives of radio and television stations and broadcasting networks shall be granted floor privileges in the same manner provided for by the Rules of the House of Representatives.

Rule 29. (Letters and simple resolutions.) When a member of the House of Representatives and a member of the Senate jointly request on behalf of the House and Senate letters or simple resolutions conveying messages of commendation, congratulation, recognition, or condolence to persons or organizations named in such request, the Speaker of the House shall sign on behalf of the House and the President of the Senate shall sign on behalf of the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate or Clerk of the House shall arrange for the transmittal of such message to persons or organizations designated in the request and shall keep a record of the distribution of such letters and resolutions, which record shall be open for inspection by any member of the General Assembly.

Rule 30. (Suspension of Joint Rules.) Except as otherwise explicitly provided in the Joint Rules, no joint rule may be suspended or altered except by joint resolution adopted by two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution, S. C. R. No. 3, be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Buehrer	Cafaro	Carey	Cates
Coughlin	Faber	Fedor	Gibbs
Gillmor	Goodman	Grendell	Hughes
Husted	Kearney	Miller D	Miller R
Morano	Niehaus	Patton	Roberts
Sawyer	Schaffer	Schiavoni	Schuler
Schuring	Seitz	Smith	Stewart
Turner	Wagoner	Widener	Wilson-32.

So the concurrent resolution was adopted.

The question being, "Shall the title be agreed to?"

Senator Faber moved to amend the title as follows:

Add the names: "Faber, Wagoner, Seitz, Wilson, Patton, Cafaro, Gibbs, Miller, R., Smith."

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

Senator Niehaus offered the following resolution:

S. R. No. 11-Senator Niehaus.

To adopt Rules of the Senate for the 128th General Assembly.

RESOLVED, That the following are the Rules of the Senate for the 128th General Assembly:

RULES OF THE SENATE 127th 128th GENERAL ASSEMBLY TIME OF CONVENING: DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

Rule 1. (Time of Sessions.) The sessions of the Senate shall be held at such times as are determined by the President. For the months of January through June in each year, and separately for the months of July through December in each year, the President, at the beginning of each six-month period, shall establish a schedule of dates and times according to which the Senate shall hold sessions and at which roll call votes are taken. The schedule and any revision or supplement thereto shall be published and a copy provided to each senator.

Rule 2. (May Select Senator to Preside.) The President may name any

senator to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment; nor shall any senator so named attest any document as President or President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Rule 3. (Clerk Shall Call Senate to Order.) When both the President and the President Pro Tempore are absent at the hour to which the Senate has adjourned or taken a recess, the Clerk shall call the Senate to order and the Senate shall proceed to select some member to act as presiding officer until the President or President Pro Tempore is present, or an adjournment is taken.

Rule 4. (President to Enforce Rules.) The President shall enforce the rules of the Senate. The President shall preserve order and decorum in the proceedings of the Senate; and in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the lobby the President shall have the power to order the same to be cleared. When the Senate is recessed or adjourned, the Clerk shall be responsible for the preservation of order and decorum in the Senate Chamber. The Clerk shall post in the Clerk's office the times of opening and closing to the public.

The Senate Chamber, Senate offices, Senate committee and conference rooms, the Members' Lounge, and all adjoining spaces shall be designated as non-smoking areas. This rule shall be strictly enforced.

Rule 5. (Signing of Acts, etc.) The President or, in the President's absence, the President Pro Tempore shall sign all acts and joint resolutions when passed or adopted by both houses; and all writs and all warrants and subpoenas issued by the action of the Senate shall be signed by the President and attested to by the Clerk. Initiation and defense of legal actions by the Senate shall be decided by the President. The President Pro Tempore, in the absence of the President, shall have all the rights, privileges, authority, duties, and responsibilities of the President.

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE DAY

Rule 6. (Daily Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Reading of Journal.) As soon as the Senate is called to order prayer may be offered, the pledge of allegiance to the flag may be said, and, a quorum being present, the Journal of the preceding legislative day shall be read by the Clerk.

Rule 7. (Order of Business.) As soon as the Journal is read and approved, the order of business shall be as follows:

- 1. Reports of reference and bills for second consideration.
- 2. Reports of standing and select committees.
- 3. House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions.
- 4. Reports of conference committees.
- 5. Resolutions, including joint resolutions and concurrent resolutions, reported by committee.
 - 6. Bills for third consideration.

- 7. Motions.
- 8. Introduction and first consideration of bills.
- 9. Offering of resolutions and adoption of resolutions not referred to committee.
- Rule 8. (Order of Business, How Changed.) The business of the Senate shall be disposed of in the order provided by Rule 7. To revert to or advance to a new order of business requires only a majority vote of the members of the Senate.
- Rule 9. (Message from House and Executive.) Messages from the House and communications from any branch of the executive department of the state may be received by the Clerk at any time, except when the yeas and nays are being called.
- Rule 10. (Majority Constitutes Quorum, Less May Compel Attendance.) A majority of all members elected to the Senate shall constitute a quorum, but a less number may compel the attendance of absent members or adjourn from day to day.
- Rule 11. (Absence of Quorum, No Business, Procedure.) Should a roll call show the absence of a quorum, the President shall direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to dispatch the Sergeant-at-Arms's messengers for the absentees and until a quorum is present no business shall be in order except a motion to adjourn and the enforcement of the attendance of the absentees.
- Rule 12. (Call of Senate, How Demanded.) Any senator may demand a call of the Senate providing the demand is seconded by three other senators and upon such call the names of the senators shall be called by the Clerk in their alphabetical order and the names of the absentees entered upon the Journal.
- Rule 13. (Procedure under Call of Senate.) While the Senate is under call the doors shall be closed; senators shall take and remain in their seats and no senator shall be permitted to leave the Chamber unless by a majority vote of the senators present.
- Rule 14. (Call of Senate, Absentees Brought in.) On the completion of the roll call on the call of the Senate, the President shall direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to bring in the absentees, if any, and until such absentees have appeared at the bar of the Senate and answered to their names, no business shall be in order except a motion to adjourn and a motion to dispense with further proceedings under the call.
- Rule 15. (Call of Senate, Motion to Adjourn if Defeated.) During a call of the Senate, if a motion to adjourn has been voted down, it shall not be renewed until a motion to dispense with the call has been voted upon, or until an additional senator has appeared and answered to the roll call. A motion to dispense with further proceedings under the call shall not be made in the absence of quorum.

Rule 16. (After Call of Senate, Senator Cannot Leave.) When a call of the Senate has been completed and further proceedings under the call have been dispensed with, no senator shall be permitted to leave the Chamber until the order of business for which the call was demanded has been disposed of, except by leave of a majority of the senators elected.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Rule 17. (Absences, Must be Excused.) Any absence of a member from a session of the Senate must be excused. Before a member may be excused from such an absence from a voting session, the member shall submit an explanation for the absence in writing to the Clerk. A member shall be automatically excused from a nonvoting session.

Rule 18. (Mileage Reimbursement, Payment of.) The reimbursement based on mileage as provided for in section 101.27 of the Revised Code shall be paid to each qualifying member by the Clerk unless a member is not present in Columbus during a week.

COMMITTEES

Rule 19. (Appointment of.) At as early a date as practicable after the organization of the Senate, the President of the Senate, by message, shall name and appoint standing committees. In addition, the President of the Senate, by message, shall name, and may substitute, members of the Senate to serve on boards, commissions, task forces, and other bodies created by law and on which Senate members are eligible to serve, except as otherwise provided. The Minority Leader of the Senate may recommend minority party members for each committee.

Rule 20. (Committee Chairperson; Expenses; Attendance of Witnesses.) The President shall designate a chairperson and vice-chairperson as well as a ranking minority member for each committee. The Minority Leader of the Senate may recommend the ranking minority member for each committee. In the absence of the chairperson or vice-chairperson, the committee may designate a chairperson.

The President may be substituted as a voting member of any committee and the committee records shall reflect such fact and the committee member for whom the President has been substituted. The Minority Leader shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member of each committee and the President may, at the Minority Leader's request, substitute the Minority Leader as a voting member of any committee and the committee records shall reflect such fact and the committee member for whom the Minority Leader has been substituted.

No committee or member thereof shall be permitted to incur any expenses without first receiving the written consent of the President or the Committee on Rules. Authorization by the Committee on Rules shall be signed by the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules.

When authorized by the President, the chairperson of a standing committee of the Senate, with respect to any pending or contemplated

legislation, or with respect to any matter committed to the standing committee, or the chairperson of a select committee of the Senate, with respect to any matter committed to the select committee, may issue a subpoena under sections 101.41 to 101.46 of the Revised Code, or may issue an order under section 101.81 of the Revised Code, to compel the attendance of witnesses or the production of books, papers, or other tangible evidence.

Rule 21. (Committee Meetings, Called by, Rules, Record.) Each committee shall meet upon the call of its chairperson, and in case of the chairperson's absence, or refusal to call the committee together, a meeting may be called by a majority of the members of the committee. At least two days preceding the day bills or joint resolutions to propose a constitutional amendment are to be given a first hearing, the Clerk shall post in the Clerk's office the schedule of such bills and joint resolutions in each standing committee or subcommittee with the exception of the standing Committee on Rules. In a case of necessity, the notice of hearing may be given in a shorter period than two days by such reasonable method as shall be prescribed by the Committee on Rules.

Where applicable, the rules of the Senate apply to the committee proceedings of the Senate. In addition, all committee meetings shall be governed by section 101.15 of the Revised Code. On any occasion when a majority or more of the members of a standing committee, select committee, or subcommittee of a standing or select committee of the Senate meet together for a prearranged discussion of the public business of the committee or subcommittee, the meeting shall be open to the public unless closed in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 13.

Rule 22. (May Not Sit During Session of Senate.) No committee shall sit during the daily sessions of the Senate without leave of a majority of the Senate. A committee may sit during a recess from the daily session of the Senate.

Rule 23. (Committee Quorum.) A majority of all members of a committee shall constitute a quorum. A less number may meet to hear a measure, but unless a quorum is present, no motion except to adjourn shall be in order.

Rule 24. (Votes Required by Committee; Reconsideration by Committee.) The affirmative vote of a majority of all members constituting a committee shall be necessary to agree to any motion to recommend for passage or to postpone indefinitely further consideration of bills or resolutions. Every member present shall vote in the affirmative or the negative except when excused by the committee upon request made prior to the call of the roll. A member may defer the member's vote only during the first call of the roll on any question. No proxy vote shall be valid. At the discretion of the chairperson, the roll call may be continued for a vote by any member who was present at the meeting prior to the roll call on a bill, resolution, or appointment for which the roll call was continued, but the roll shall not remain open later than 10:00 a.m. on the next calendar day.

A motion to reconsider may be made by any member of a committee, and, except as provided in Rule 25, such motion, to be in order, must be made while the matter proposed to be reconsidered remains before the committee. A motion to reconsider shall not prevail unless it receives the same number of affirmative votes as were required originally to pass the matter proposed to be reconsidered.

Rule 25. (Measures Postponed Indefinitely.) Any bill or resolution postponed indefinitely is rejected and shall not be subject to further consideration by the committee, except upon the adoption of a motion for its reconsideration not later than the next meeting of the committee. Notice shall be given immediately to the Clerk when a bill or resolution has been indefinitely postponed. Such measure shall not be reintroduced in the Senate while indefinitely postponed.

Rule 26. (Committee Reports, Presentation of House Bills and Resolutions.) Any committee of the Senate may report back to the Senate any measure referred to it, with or without amendments, or may report back a substitute for any measure referred to it. No committee may report back any measure referred to it or any substitute for such measure without recommending its passage or adoption, and the report shall not be received by the Clerk unless signed by the majority of the committee who voted in support of the action. The report shall also contain the signatures of those who voted against adoption or passage, which shall be included in the Journal. No member shall sign a committee report who was not present at the meeting.

When a standing committee recommends a House bill for passage or a House joint or concurrent resolution for adoption, the chairperson of the committee shall, when the same is called up for consideration, cause the bill or joint or concurrent resolution to be properly presented to the Senate.

Rule 27. (Records to be Kept.) Each committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings, including a record of committee attendance and the names of all persons who speak before the committee, whether such persons are a proponent, opponent, or other interested party on the issue on which they appear, the names of the persons, firms, associations, or corporations in whose behalf such persons appear, and such other matters as may be directed by the Committee on Rules. A record of motions and the votes thereon shall be kept by the committee.

Rule 28. (Records Open to Examination; Filing of Records.) During the period of sessions, committee voting records shall be open for examination by any citizen of Ohio at reasonable times and subject to adequate safeguards established by the chairperson to protect and preserve such records. Upon final adjournment of the Senate, the committee records shall be filed with the Clerk. Committee voting records filed with the Clerk shall be open for examination by any citizen of Ohio at reasonable times and subject to adequate safeguards established by the Clerk and the records retention schedule adopted by the Clerk.

Rule 29. (Committee Shall Examine Bills, etc.) Every committee to

which a bill or resolution is referred shall carefully examine the form, phraseology, punctuation, and arrangement thereof and when necessary report to the Senate amendments to correct the same.

Rule 30. (Select Committees, Appointed by.) All committees shall be appointed by the President.

Rule 31. (Motion to Commit, Cannot Be Amended.) When a motion is made to commit to a standing committee, it shall not be in order to amend such motion by substitution of any other committee.

Rule 32. (Motion to Discharge a Committee.) A motion to discharge a committee of further consideration of a bill or resolution which has been referred to such committee thirty calendar days or more prior thereto, shall be in writing and deposited in the office of the Clerk. Before such motion may be filed with the Clerk, there shall be attached thereto the signatures of a majority of the members elected to the Senate, and each member so signing must do so in the office of the Clerk and in the Clerk's presence, or in the presence of one of the Clerk's assistants. Such motion, together with the signatures, shall be printed in the Journal on the day the motion was filed with the Clerk. Only one motion can be presented for each bill or resolution.

BILLS

Rule 33. (Introduction of Bills.) Bills to be introduced in the Senate shall be typewritten, shall be in quadruplicate, shall bear the name of the author and co-authors, if any, and shall be filed in the Clerk's office at least one hour prior to the next convening session of the Senate.

Between the general election and the time for the next convening session, a holdover member or a member-elect may file bills for introduction in the next session with the Clerk's office, and those bills shall be treated as if they were bills introduced on the first day of the session.

No bill shall be accepted for filing by the Clerk unless it is presented for filing by a member or member-elect of the Senate, or by the member's legislative aide or administrative assistant with authorization of the senator, and it has first been approved as to form by the Legislative Service Commission and the face of the bill is marked to indicate that approval.

When the time for introduction of bills is reached in the regular order of business, the Clerk shall read the bills filed with the Clerk in the same manner as if the bills were introduced from the floor. This rule may be suspended by a majority vote of the members elected.

Rule 34. (Bills, Title of.) Bills shall have noted in their title a distinct reference to the subject or matter to which they relate, and if they propose the amendment, enactment, or repeal of any law, to the section proposed to be amended, enacted, or repealed.

Rule 35. (Bills, Second Consideration and Committee on Reference, Public Hearing.) On the second reading of a bill, the Committee on Reference

shall, if no motion or order be made to the contrary, refer the bill to the proper standing committee in regular order. Further, no bill shall be reported for a third reading and passage unless the same shall have been considered at a meeting of the committee to which the same has been referred.

All Senate bills and resolutions referred by the Committee on Reference on or before the first day of April in an even-numbered year shall be scheduled by the chairperson of the committee to which the same has been referred for a minimum of one public hearing.

- Rule 36. (House Bills Engrossed When Amended.) House bills, when altered or amended by the Senate, shall be engrossed in like manner as Senate bills preparatory to their consideration.
- Rule 37. (Recommitment of Bills.) At any time before its passage, a bill or resolution may be recommitted or rereferred by a majority vote of the Senate or the Committee on Rules.
- Rule 38. (Recommitment after Reconsideration.) If a bill or resolution be lost, and the vote reconsidered, such bill or resolution shall not thereafter be committed to other than a standing committee or to a select committee to which the bill or resolution was originally referred.
- Rule 39. (Special Order, How Made.) A bill or resolution may be made a special order by a three-fifths vote of the Senate.
- Rule 40. (Bills Placed on Calendar, When.) Unless the Senate otherwise orders, all bills and resolutions reported by a committee with a recommendation for passage or adoption shall be placed on the calendar with an indication that the bills and resolutions have been recommended for passage or adoption by the designated committees. Bills and resolutions recommended by designated committees may be arranged on the calendar under the regular order of business by action of the Committee on Rules, pursuant to Rule 96.
- Rule 41. (How Taken Up for Consideration.) Resolutions taken up on the calendar under the fifth order of business listed in Rule 7 and bills standing in order for third consideration shall be taken up and read without a motion to that effect, and, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, the questions shall be, respectively: "Shall the resolution be adopted?" and "Shall the bill pass?"
- Rule 42. (Carried Over to Succeeding Day.) When a bill which has been set for a third consideration on a particular day shall for any reason not be reached on that day, it shall stand for third consideration on the first succeeding day when bills for third consideration shall be reached in the regular order of business, except as may be otherwise provided by the Committee on Rules.
- Rule 43. (Bills Taken Up Earlier, How.) When a bill has been ordered for third consideration on a particular day, or at a certain hour, it shall not sooner be taken up except upon three-fifths vote of the senators elected.
 - Rule 44. (Calendar Must Show Amendments.) If a bill is amended before

being placed upon the calendar for third consideration, the Clerk shall note on the calendar the fact that it has been amended, and shall cite the date when such amendment was made and the page of the Senate or House Journal upon which such amendment appears. At the time of third consideration, the bill with amendments incorporated shall be supplied to each senator.

The Clerk may post on the calendar under the regular order of business pursuant to Rule 7 the title of bills for which a report of a committee of conference has been filed with the Clerk.

When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution has been passed or been adopted in the Senate, and been amended, passed or adopted, and returned by the House, it shall lie over one calendar day, unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the Senate.

When a report of a committee of conference has been filed with the Clerk, it shall be spread upon the pages of the Journal and lie over one calendar day unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the Senate.

Rule 45. (Amendments Provided Before Vote.) Before a vote may be taken upon the question of concurrence in House amendments to a Senate bill or resolution, or upon the question of agreement to the report of a conference committee, each member of the Senate shall be supplied with the amendments made by the House or recommended by the conference committee and each member of majority leadership, each member of the minority leadership, and the sponsor or floor sponsor shall be supplied with the bill or resolution as passed by the Senate.

Rule 46. (Synopsis of House Amendments before Vote _) - Before a vote is taken on the question of concurrence in House amendments to a Senate bill or resolution, the staff of the Legislative Service Commission shall prepare a synopsis of any substantive amendments made by a House committee to the bill or resolution as passed by the Senate. The staff of the Legislative Service Commission shall make such a synopsis available to each senator at the time the Senate votes on the question of concurrence in the House amendments. The Clerk shall provide each member of the majority leadership, each member of the minority leadership, and the sponsor or floor sponsor with any amendments made by the House during its third consideration of the bill or resolution.

Rule 47. (Title of Bill after Passage.) When a bill has passed the Senate, the Clerk shall read its title and the President shall demand if the Senate agrees thereto. Any senator may then request the addition or deletion of the a senator's name to the title as a co-sponsor. Prior to passage of a bill, a former senator who no longer is a member of the General Assembly may present a writing to the Clerk requesting deletion of the former senator's name from the title of the bill as sponsor or co-sponsor. The President shall present the request to the Senate, and the Clerk shall spread the request upon the pages of the Journal. When the Senate is agreed, the Clerk shall make out the title accordingly, and certify to the passage of the bill upon its carrier.

Immediately after the Senate has voted to concur in House amendments to a bill or resolution, and immediately after the Senate has voted to accept a conference committee report, a senator may add or remove the senator's name from the bill or resolution by rising and stating this desire to the President. The Clerk shall thereupon add or remove the senator's name to or from the bill or resolution the President shall demand if the Senate agrees to the co-sponsorship of the bill or resolution. Any senator may then request the addition or deletion of a senator's name from the bill or resolution as co-sponsor. Prior to the vote on concurrence in House amendments to a bill or resolution, and prior to the vote on a conference committee report, a former senator who no longer is a member of the General Assembly may present a writing to the Clerk requesting deletion of the former senator's name from the bill or resolution as sponsor or co-sponsor. The President shall present the request to the Senate, and the Clerk shall spread the request upon the pages of the Journal. When the Senate is agreed, the Clerk shall make out the title of the bill or resolution accordingly.

AMENDMENTS

- Rule 48. (Amendments, Must Be Germane.) No amendment proposed that is not germane to the subject under consideration shall be considered.
- Rule 49. (Same Amendment Not Permitted, Except.) Matters inserted in or stricken from a bill by amendment, except an amendment reported by a standing or special committee, may not be subsequently stricken from or inserted in a bill by amendment. But a motion to reconsider will, however, be in order.
- Rule 50. (Cannot Contain Pending Legislation.) No bill or resolution shall be amended on the floor of the Senate by annexing or incorporating the substance of any other bill or resolution pending before the Senate unless such annexation or incorporation is done by vote of a majority of the senators.
- Rule 51. (Tabling, Effect on Bill.) When a motion to amend a bill or resolution is laid upon the table or indefinitely postponed, the measure shall not be carried with it but shall be subject to further consideration.
- Rule 52. (Amendments to Emergency Bills.) Amendments proposed to emergency bills shall be offered before the vote is taken on the emergency section.

RESOLUTIONS

- Rule 53. (Resolutions, How Offered; Special Committees by.) Resolutions may be offered by a senator in the senator's individual capacity, or as a report of a committee in the regular order of business, or at any time on leave of the Senate. Any resolution proposing the creation of a special investigating committee shall be, upon its introduction, automatically referred to the Committee on Rules. This rule shall be dispensed with only by a two-thirds vote of the Senate.
- Rule 54. (Resolutions, When Considered.) Resolutions to be introduced in the Senate shall be typewritten, shall be in quadruplicate, shall bear the name of the author and co-authors, if any, and shall be filed in the Clerk's office at

least one hour prior to the next convening session of the Senate. All resolutions offered in the Senate shall be considered immediately by either being adopted or referred to the Committee on Reference, except as provided in Rules 53 and 55. If so referred, the Committee on Reference shall examine and otherwise consider the resolution, and may indefinitely postpone it, refer it to another standing committee, or report it back to the Senate.

All death, commemorative, and congratulatory resolutions shall be printed by title only unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the members elected.

Upon reading a resolution from the House, such resolution shall be considered immediately by either being adopted or referred to the Committee on Reference. If so referred, the Committee on Reference shall examine and otherwise consider the resolution, and may indefinitely postpone it, refer it to another standing committee, or report it back to the Senate.

It shall be a prerogative of the presiding officer to consolidate into a single motion for consideration by the Senate some or all commemorative and congratulatory resolutions offered for adoption on any particular legislative day. Should the presiding officer exercise this prerogative, which shall be called a President's Prerogative, the presiding officer shall direct the Clerk to supply a list entitled President's Prerogative Resolutions which identifies by title all resolutions proposed to be adopted by a single vote. This list shall be supplied to all members prior to a vote on said resolutions. The presiding officer shall put the following question: "Shall the resolutions listed under the President's Prerogative be adopted?"

Rule 55. (Concurrent Resolutions, Agency Rule Review.) The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review shall offer under the ninth order of business listed in Rule 7, all concurrent resolutions recommended by that committee for adoption by the Senate. The resolution shall be offered within three Senate legislative days after the date of recommendation by the joint committee, and shall that day be referred to the Committee on Rules, which shall place the resolution on the Senate calendar for consideration within twelve calendar days; but the resolution shall be offered and taken up for consideration on an earlier legislative day if necessary to permit its adoption within the period of time specified by section 119.03 of the Revised Code for invalidating a proposed rule, amendment, rescission, or any part thereof.

Rule 56. (Resolutions, Preparation.) Upon adoption, all Senate resolutions shall be prepared and authenticated by the Clerk and signed by the President. The Clerk shall also provide a place on all death, commemorative, and congratulatory resolutions for signature of the senator whose name first appears on the resolution as author.

VOTING

Rule 57. (Senator Must Vote.) Every senator present when the question is

put shall vote on the question unless excused by the Senate. The Clerk shall call the roll of the Senate in alphabetical order with the President called last. The President may direct the Clerk to call the President Pro Tempore first in the call of the roll.

A request from any senator to be excused from voting must be made before the Senate divides or before the call of the roll begins.

Rule 58. (How Excused from Voting.) Any senator requesting to be excused from voting may briefly explain the reason for such request, and the Senate shall pass upon the request without debate.

Rule 59. (Explanation of Vote.) A member desiring to explain the member's vote shall make a request therefor, before the Senate divides or before the call of the yeas and nays is commenced. If such request is granted by the Senate, such statement shall not consume more than two minutes of time.

Rule 60. (Quorum Not Voting, Continue.) When fewer than a quorum vote on any question, the President shall forthwith order the roll of senators to be called. If a quorum be present as shown by answering to their names, or by their presence in the Chamber, the President shall again order the roll to be called, and if any senator is present the senator shall be ordered to vote unless the Senate shall have previously excused the senator.

Rule 61. (Senator Cannot Vote, When.) No senator shall vote upon any question while off the floor of the Senate, upon any question involving the senator's election or the right to the senator's seat, or vote upon any question in contravention of the Legislative Code of Ethics or in violation of section 102.031 of the Revised Code.

Rule 62. (Division, When Taken.) After a vote is taken viva voce, if the President is undecided, or if a division is demanded by any senator before the result is announced, the Senate shall divide. Those voting in the affirmative shall arise at the request of the President and remain standing until counted and the count is announced; then those voting in the negative shall arise and remain standing until counted and the count is announced.

Rule 63. (House Amendments, Conference Reports.) The yeas and nays shall be called upon the question of concurring in amendments made by the House to all bills or resolutions passed by the Senate, and upon agreeing to the report of conference committees, except where amendment is to the title only.

Rule 64. (Only Clerks at Desk During Roll Call.) No person, other than the Clerk and the Clerk's assistants, shall be permitted at the Clerk's desk while the yeas and nays are being taken.

Rule 65. (Verification of Vote.) After the roll has been called, any senator may demand a verification of the vote. The Clerk shall read, first the names of those senators voting in the affirmative, then of those voting in the negative, at which time any senator, on account of error or for any other reason, may change his or her vote; but no senator shall be permitted to change his or

her vote, as recorded, after the roll call has been verified and the results declared except by unanimous consent of the Senate. A request by a senator for unanimous consent to change the senator's vote must be made from the well of the Senate and before the Senate proceeds to the next item within the same or next order of business.

DECORUM AND DEBATE

Rule 66. (Senators Shall Address President.) When a senator desires to address the Senate or to make a motion, the senator shall arise and respectfully address "Mr. President," and the President shall recognize the senator and may do so by announcing, "The Senator from," naming the District.

A senator who wishes to question another senator shall, for each question, first request and receive the President's permission to ask the question. No senator is required to answer a question put by another senator.

Rule 67. (President Decides Who Shall Speak.) The prime sponsor of a bill shall be recognized first. When two or more senators seek recognition of the chair at the same time, the President shall decide which senator shall speak first. No senator shall yield the floor to another senator without consent of the Senate.

Rule 68. (How Often Senator May Speak.) No senator shall speak more than twice on the same question except by leave of the Senate or responding to the floor; and the senator speaking shall confine the speech to the question under debate and avoid personalities.

Rule 69. (May Read from Books, etc.) Any senator while discussing a question may read, or cause to be read, from books, papers, documents or any matter pertinent to the subject under consideration for a period of five minutes without asking leave. Additional time may be granted by a majority vote of the Senate.

Rule 70. (Statement of Question.) Any senator may call for a statement of the pending question, whereupon the President shall restate the same.

Rule 71. (Division of Question.) Any senator may call for a division of the question; the decision of the President as to its divisibility shall be subject to appeal as in questions of order.

Rule 72. (Questions of Order Decided by.) All questions of order shall be decided by the President without debate; such decision shall be subject to appeal to the Senate by any three senators, on which appeal no senator shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the Senate; and the President may speak in preference to the senators.

Rule 73. (Senator May Be Called to Order.) If any senator, in speaking or otherwise, is transgressing the Rules of the Senate, the President shall, or any member may, call the senator to order; and the senator called to order shall take the senator's seat until the question of order is decided.

Rule 74. (If Called to Order.) If the decision be in favor of a senator

called to order, the senator shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, the senator shall not be permitted to proceed without further leave of the Senate.

MOTIONS

Rule 75. (When Motions Must Be in Writing.) Whenever an amendment is offered to any bill or resolution under consideration, or any amendment to such an amendment, the senator proposing the same shall reduce it to writing and send it to the Clerk's desk. Amendments prepared and distributed in advance of their offering shall identify the bill or resolution sought to be amended and the name of the senator proposing to amend; when a senator prepares more than one amendment to the same bill or resolution, the amendments shall be numbered sequentially. Unless objection is waived, debate shall cease until all members are supplied with copies of amendments offered on the floor.

Rule 76. (Precedence of Motions.) Except as otherwise provided in Rule 81, motions shall take precedence in the following order:

- 1. To informally pass.
- 2. To adjourn.
- 3. To take a recess.
- 4. To lay on the table.
- 5. The previous question.
- 6. To proceed to the orders of the day.
- 7. To postpone to a time certain.
- 8. To commit.
- 9. To amend.
- 10. To postpone indefinitely.
- 11. To discharge a committee.

Rule 77. (Decided Without Debate.) The following questions shall be decided without debate:

- 1. To informally pass.
- 2. To adjourn.
- 3. To take a recess.
- 4. To lay on the table.
- 5. The previous question.
- 6. To go into committee of the whole on orders of the day.
- 7. All questions relating to the priority of business.

Rule 78. (Motions, Statement and Withdrawal.) When a motion is made

the question shall be stated by the President; or, being in writing, it may be read to the Senate by the President or Clerk. After a motion is stated or read by the President, or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the Senate, but may be withdrawn, by leave of the Senate, at any time before a decision or amendment.

PREVIOUS QUESTION

Rule 79. (Previous Question, How Put.) A motion for the previous question shall be entertained only upon the demand of three senators. The President shall put the question in this form: "The question is, 'Shall the debate now close?" A majority vote of the Senate shall be required to carry the previous question, and until decided it shall preclude further debate and all amendments and motions.

Rule 80. (Action after Previous Question.) After the demand for the previous question has been sustained no call or motion shall be in order, but the Senate shall be brought to an immediate vote.

RECONSIDERATION

Rule 81. (Reconsideration, How and When.) A motion to reconsider a vote may be made only by a senator who voted with the prevailing side, and such motion, to be in order, must be made within the next two legislative days of the Senate after such vote is taken. A motion to reconsider shall take precedence over all questions except a motion to adjourn, and may be called up at any time in the appropriate order of business after disposal of pending questions.

Rule 82. (Vote Necessary on Reconsideration.) The vote on any question other than the previous question may be reconsidered by a majority of those voting, a quorum being present, except when a bill or resolution has been declared lost, in which case the motion shall not prevail unless it receives the number of affirmative votes which would be required to pass such a bill or resolution.

Rule 83. (One Reconsideration Only.) A motion to reconsider, having been decided, shall not again be entertained unless the question has been changed in form by amendment.

Rule 84. (Reconsideration, Motion Postponed.) Consideration of a motion to reconsider may be postponed to a time certain or left pending. However, if a motion to reconsider is not called up within thirty days after it was made, the motion is deemed lost.

Rule 85. (Procedure on Reconsideration.) A motion to reconsider action on a bill, joint resolution, or other paper that may have gone out of possession of the Senate shall be entertained if made within the time specified in Rule 81; such motion to reconsider shall be regarded as an order to the Clerk to request the House to return the bill, joint resolution, or other paper, but the Senate may vote on the motion to reconsider without waiting for the return to the Senate of such bill, joint resolution, or other paper, and the President shall state the question: "Shall the vote be reconsidered?" Action on the bill, joint resolution, or other

paper, the vote on which has been reconsidered, may not be taken until such bill, joint resolution, or other paper has been returned and is in possession of the Senate.

Rule 86. (Effect of Tabling Motion to Reconsider.) When a motion to reconsider is laid upon the table it shall not carry the bill or resolution with it; nor shall a motion to reconsider be reconsidered.

POSTPONEMENT

Rule 87. (To Postpone.) A motion to postpone to a time certain, or indefinitely, being decided, shall not again be allowed at the same stage of the question.

Rule 88. (Indefinitely Postponed, Effect.) If a motion to indefinitely postpone a bill or resolution be carried, such bill or resolution shall be declared lost. If a Senate bill or resolution is defeated or indefinitely postponed in the Senate it shall not be reintroduced during either annual session of the same General Assembly.

Rule 89. (Postpone to Time Certain.) A bill or resolution postponed to a time certain shall not be considered at an earlier time, except upon the vote of three-fifths of the senators elected.

Rule 90. (To Informally Pass.) A motion to informally pass a bill or resolution may be made at any time prior to the taking of the roll call.

RECESS AND ADJOURNMENT

Rule 91. (Recess and Adjournment.) The interim between any two sessions of the Senate on the same day shall be termed a recess, and on the reassembling at the appointed hour any question pending at the time of taking such recess shall be resumed without a motion to that effect; and unless the Senate shall otherwise order by resolution or motion, the hour to which it shall adjourn shall be half past one p.m. the succeeding day; and the hour to which it shall recess shall be stated in the motion.

Rule 92. (Motion to Adjourn in Order, When.) A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, except while a member is addressing the Senate, or while a vote is being taken, but cannot be made except by a senator who has been recognized by the President, and being decided in the negative shall not again be entertained until some motion, call, or order shall have been acted upon.

Rule 93. (If under Consideration When Adjourned.) A bill or resolution under consideration when adjournment is taken shall be, when its order of business on the succeeding day is reached, the first question before the Senate in that order of business, except as otherwise provided by the Committee on Rules.

OF THE RULES

Rule 94. (Rules Altered, How.) These rules shall not be altered except after due notice of the intention of alteration; and no rule shall be altered, except by a three-fifths vote of the senators elected. Any of these rules may be suspended by a three-fifths vote of the members elected, excepting rules which

specifically require otherwise.

Rule 95. (Parliamentary Guide.) Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure (2000 edition) shall be used by the Senate as authority in all cases not provided for in the Senate Rules or the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, if any.

Rule 96. (Committee on Rules.) The standing Committee on Rules shall have the power to prescribe the order of business of the Senate and shall arrange and post the calendar at least one calendar day in advance, so that all matters shall appear thereon for the consideration of the Senate with reference to their importance. Measures expected to be reported by committee may be placed conditionally on the calendar for consideration by the Senate in the regular order of business, and may be carried over to a succeeding legislative day, subject to favorable action by committee. In a case of necessity, the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules may call a special meeting upon proper notice to add a bill to the calendar upon a majority vote. One day's notice shall not be required for calendars during the first week after an adjournment of more than five calendar days.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Rule 97. (Executive Appointments.) When executive appointments are received by the Senate they shall, unless the Senate otherwise orders, be referred to the Committee on Rules. The Committee on Rules may refer the appointments to another committee.

Rule 98. (Yeas and Nays, Appointments.) The yeas and nays shall be called upon advising and consenting to an executive appointment. Failure of the question to receive the concurrence of a majority of the senators elected constitutes refusal of the Senate to advise and consent to the appointment. The Senate may advise and consent to two or more appointments by a single roll call vote. When a committee to which an appointment has been referred recommends its rejection, or when a senator demands that an appointment be separately considered, the question of its approval shall not be included in a single roll call vote affecting more than one appointment, but the yeas and nays shall be separately called on the question of advising and consenting to such an appointment. When two or more appointments are made the subject of a single roll call vote, the failure of the question to receive the concurrence of a majority of the senators elected shall not constitute refusal to advise and consent to the appointments, but in such case the yeas and nays shall then be separately called on the question of advising and consenting to each appointment.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Rule 99. (Clerk Shall Keep Index to Bills, etc.) The Clerk shall keep an index record of all bills and resolutions introduced in the Senate regardless of the house of origin, showing the number, title, and author of each measure, the section sought to be amended, enacted, or repealed, and the subject or matter affected thereby. The Clerk may call upon the staff of the Ohio Government Telecommunications to produce a video of all Senate voting sessions. Such

video shall be accessible as provided by law and the rules of the Ohio Government Telecommunications Programming Committee.

Rule 100. (Duties of Clerk.) The distribution and receipt of bills, resolutions, reports, messages from the House and from any branch of the executive or judicial department of the State, and all other documents belonging to the Senate shall be under the direction and control of the Clerk. All records kept by the Clerk are governed by the records retention schedule adopted by the Clerk. The property and premises of the Senate shall also be under the direct supervision of the Clerk.

When the Clerk is required to print a bill, resolution, report, or other document belonging to the Senate, the Clerk may use any method of printing contemplated by sections 101.51 to 101.524 of the Revised Code.

The Senate by resolution shall prescribe the powers and duties of the Chief of Staff and Clerk.

In case of the death or resignation of the Clerk, the President may designate any individual to perform the Clerk's duties until such time as the Senate, by vote, fills the vacancy.

PRIVILEGES

Rule 101. (Use of Senate Chamber.) The use of the Senate chamber shall not be granted at any time, by resolution or otherwise, for any purpose other than legislative purposes, except by consent of two-thirds of the members elected. At no time shall food or beverages be allowed in the Senate chamber.

Rule 102. (Use of Committee Rooms.) A person who wishes to use a Senate committee room for a purpose other than a meeting of a committee, subcommittee, or other official Senate business shall not do so without obtaining the Clerk's prior approval. In requesting the Clerk's approval, the person shall inform the Clerk of the committee room the person wishes to use and the time and purpose of the proposed use. Senate committee rooms may be used for only appropriate purposes. At no time shall food or beverages be allowed in Senate committee rooms unless otherwise authorized by the Clerk.

Rule 103. (Who Admitted in Chamber, Members' Lounge.) During the daily sessions of the Senate, no person shall be admitted within the railing except members of the two houses, their officers and employees in the performance of their duties, or persons charged with messages or papers to the Senate; clergy, by invitation of the President; the Governor of this or any other state; and representatives of newspapers or legislative information services who have been granted the privileges of the Senate by the President. When the Senate is not in session, only senators and their guests and officers and employees of the Senate in the performance of their duties are permitted within the railing without the President's permission.

During the daily sessions of the Senate, no person shall be admitted in the Members' Lounge except members of the Senate and officers or employees of

the Senate in the performance of their duties. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce this rule.

Rule 104. (Posters, Placards, Banners and Signs.) No poster, placard, banner, sign or other similar material shall be carried into the Senate Chamber or committee or meeting rooms of the Senate by any person, and no person shall attach or affix any poster, placard, banner, sign or other similar material to the doors, walls, rails, seats or banisters of the Senate Chamber or committee or meeting rooms of the Senate. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce this rule.

Rule 105. (Applause, Outbursts or Demonstrations.) No applause, outburst or other demonstration by any spectator shall be permitted during a session of the Senate and during any meeting of a committee.

Rule 106. (Distribution of Printed Materials.) No general distribution of printed material to the members of the Senate shall be permitted in the Senate Chamber during the daily sessions of the Senate unless authorized by a senator or the Clerk. The printed material shall bear the name of the person authorizing its distribution. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce this rule.

Rule 107. (Cellular Telephones and Pagers, Prohibitions.) The use of a cellular telephone, audible pager, or any other audible wireless electronic telecommunication device is prohibited during sessions of the Senate and during any meeting of a committee.

Rule 108. (Press Privileges, How Obtained.) Representatives of the press desiring the privileges of the press area of the Senate floor shall make application to the President of the Senate and shall state in writing for what paper or papers or legislative information services, magazines, or their affiliates they are employed; and shall further state that they are not engaged in the prosecution of claims pending before the General Assembly and will not become so engaged while allowed the privileges of the floor; and that they are not in any sense the agents or representatives of persons or corporations having legislation before the General Assembly, and will not become either while retaining their privileges. Visiting newspaper writers and editors may be allowed, temporarily, the privileges herein mentioned, but they must conform to the restrictions prescribed.

The application required by the above rule shall be authenticated in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Executive Committee of the Ohio Legislative Correspondents' Association, who shall see that the privileges of the floor be granted to representatives of the press association serving newspapers of general circulation, bona fide correspondents of reputable standing in their profession who represent newspapers of general circulation or magazines, or representatives of daily legislative information services of known standing and integrity, or their affiliates; organized for that one purpose and not controlled by or connected with an association, firm, corporation, or individual representing any trade, profession, or other commercial enterprise, and which have been in

continuous and bona fide operation for such a period of years immediately prior to the date of making application for floor privileges as will have made possible the establishment of a reputation for honesty and integrity; and it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee of the Ohio Legislative Correspondents' Association, at its discretion, to report violations of the privileges herein granted, to the Committee on Rules.

Rule 109. (Representative of Radio and Television Stations and Broadcasting Networks, How Admitted.) Representatives of radio and television stations and broadcasting networks desiring the privileges of the radio and television area of the Senate floor shall make application to the President, and shall state, in writing, by what stations or broadcasting network they are employed; and further shall state that they are not engaged in the promotion of legislation or the prosecution of claims pending before the General Assembly, and will not become so engaged while allowed the privileges of the floor; and that they are not in any sense, the agents or representatives of persons or corporations having legislation before the General Assembly, and will not become either while retaining their privileges. Visiting correspondents and editors may be allowed, temporarily, the privileges herein mentioned, but they must conform to the restrictions prescribed.

The application required by the above rule shall be authenticated in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Radio and Television Correspondents' Association of Ohio. It shall be the duty of the Radio and Television Correspondents' Association of Ohio to see that the privileges of the floor shall be granted only to the representatives of stations and broadcasting networks serving radio and television stations, or networks serving such radio and television stations as have been duly licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. It shall be the duty of the Radio and Television Correspondents' Association of Ohio, at their discretion, to report violations of the privileges herein granted to the President. Persons whose chief attention is not given to radio and television broadcasting shall not be entitled to the privileges of the floor.

Rule 110. (Privileges, How Revoked.) Upon complaint that any person has abused the privileges granted the person under Rule 108 or 109, such complaint shall be submitted to the standing Committee on Rules for investigation, and such Committee shall notify the person so charged of the time and place for hearing, and if such accusation be sustained, such person or persons, upon the report of the Committee, shall be debarred from the privileges theretofore granted.

Rule 111. (Filming or Taping of the Senate.) Filming, video taping, or audio taping during the legislative session shall be done under the conditions designated by the President of the Senate.

Taping or filming of a member or members of the Senate in the Senate chamber or in committee rooms when the Senate is not in session is permissible with the prior consent of all members taped or filmed and with the prior

notification of the Clerk.

Taping or filming of sessions of committees of the Senate is permissible with the prior consent of the chairperson of the committee involved. Such approved filming or taping may be for specific time periods set by the chairperson, if such taping or filming interferes with the orderly procedure of the hearing.

Rule 112. (Letters of Commendation, etc.) When requested by any member of the Senate, the President of the Senate may, on behalf of the Senate, in its name and in the President's discretion, sign letters or simple resolutions conveying messages of commendation, congratulation, recognition, and condolence to persons or organizations named in such request.

The President of the Senate shall keep a record of the disposition of all such letters or simple resolutions, which record shall be open for inspection by any member of the Senate.

Rule 113. (Use of the Senate Coat of Arms.) Use of the Senate Coat of Arms shall be limited to members of the Senate, employees of the Senate in the performance of their duties, the Chief of Staff of the Senate and the Clerk. No other person shall use or permit to be used any reproduction or facsimile of the Senate Coat of Arms or a counterfeit or non-official version of the Senate Coat of Arms for any purpose not authorized by the Clerk.

Rule 114. (Application to 128th 129th General Assembly.) The Rules of the Senate for the 127th 128th General Assembly shall be effective until the Senate of the 128th 129th General Assembly adopts Rules of the Senate for the 128th 129th General Assembly.

The question being, "Shall the resolution, S. R. No. 11, be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Buehrer	Cafaro	Carey	Cates
Coughlin	Faber	Fedor	Gibbs
Gillmor	Goodman	Grendell	Hughes
Husted	Kearney	Miller D	Miller R
Morano	Niehaus	Patton	Roberts
Sawyer	Schaffer	Schiavoni	Schuler
Schuring	Seitz	Smith	Stewart
Turner	Wagoner	Widener	Wilson-32.

So the resolution was adopted.

The question being, "Shall the title be agreed to?"

Senator Faber moved to amend the title as follows:

Add the names: "Faber, Wagoner, Miller, R., Cafaro, Kearney, Morano,

Wilson, Patton, Smith, Seitz."

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 3333.41 (2) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Wagoner to serve on the Midwestern Higher Education Commission.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Senate Rules 19, the President of the Senate makes the following appointment changes to the following Senate Standing Committee:

Removes Senator Shirley Smith from the Standing Committee on Judiciary – Civil Justice.

Appoints Senator Dale Miller as a member of the Standing Committee on Judiciary – Civil Justice.

On the motion of Senator Faber, the Senate adjourned until Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

Attest:	VINCENT L. KEERAN
	Clerk