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**RESOLUTION**

To adopt Rules of the Senate for the 130th General 1  
Assembly. 2

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

RESOLVED, That the following are the Rules of the Senate for 3  
the 130th General Assembly: 4

RULES OF THE SENATE 5

~~129th~~ 130th GENERAL ASSEMBLY 6

TIME OF CONVENING; DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT 7

Rule 1. (Time of Sessions.) The sessions of the Senate shall 8  
be held at such times as are determined by the President. For the 9  
months of January through June in each year, and separately for 10  
the months of July through December in each year, the President, 11  
at the beginning of each six-month period, shall establish a 12  
schedule of dates and times according to which the Senate shall 13  
hold sessions and at which roll call votes are taken. The schedule 14  
and any revision or supplement thereto shall be published and a 15  
copy provided to each senator. 16

Rule 2. (May Select Senator to Preside.) The President may 17  
name any senator to perform the duties of the chair, but such 18  
substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment; nor shall any 19

senator so named attest any document as President or President Pro 20  
Tempore of the Senate. 21

Rule 3. (Clerk Shall Call Senate to Order.) When both the 22  
President and the President Pro Tempore are absent at the hour to 23  
which the Senate has adjourned or taken a recess, the Clerk shall 24  
call the Senate to order and the Senate shall proceed to select 25  
some member to act as presiding officer until the President or 26  
President Pro Tempore is present, or an adjournment is taken. 27

Rule 4. (President to Enforce Rules.) The President shall 28  
enforce the rules of the Senate. The President shall preserve 29  
order and decorum in the proceedings of the Senate; and in case of 30  
any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the lobby the President 31  
shall have the power to order the same to be cleared. When the 32  
Senate is recessed or adjourned, the Clerk shall be responsible 33  
for the preservation of order and decorum in the Senate Chamber. 34  
The Clerk shall post in the Clerk's office the times of opening 35  
and closing to the public. 36

The Senate Chamber, Senate offices, Senate committee and 37  
conference rooms, the Members' Lounge, and all adjoining spaces 38  
shall be designated as non-smoking areas. This rule shall be 39  
strictly enforced. 40

Rule 5. (Signing of Acts, etc.) The President or, in the 41  
President's absence, the President Pro Tempore shall sign all acts 42  
and joint resolutions when passed or adopted by both houses; and 43  
all writs and all warrants and subpoenas issued by the action of 44  
the Senate shall be signed by the President and attested to by the 45  
Clerk. Initiation and defense of legal actions by the Senate shall 46  
be decided by the President. The President Pro Tempore, in the 47  
absence of the President, shall have all the rights, privileges, 48  
authority, duties, and responsibilities of the President. 49

Rule 6. (Daily Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and 51  
Reading of Journal.) As soon as the Senate is called to order 52  
prayer may be offered, the pledge of allegiance to the flag may be 53  
said, and, a quorum being present, the Journal of the preceding 54  
legislative day shall be read by the Clerk. 55

Rule 7. (Order of Business.) As soon as the Journal is read 56  
and approved, the order of business shall be as follows: 57

1. Reports of reference and bills for second consideration. 58

2. Reports of standing and select committees. 59

3. House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions. 60

4. Reports of conference committees. 61

5. Resolutions, including joint resolutions and concurrent 62  
resolutions, reported by committee. 63

6. Bills for third consideration. 64

7. Motions. 65

8. Introduction and first consideration of bills. 66

9. Offering of resolutions and adoption of resolutions not 67  
referred to committee. 68

Rule 8. (Order of Business, How Changed.) The business of the 69  
Senate shall be disposed of in the order provided by Rule 7. To 70  
revert to or advance to a new order of business requires only a 71  
majority vote of the members of the Senate. 72

Rule 9. (Message from House and Executive.) Messages from the 73  
House and communications from any branch of the executive 74  
department of the state may be received by the Clerk at any time, 75  
except when the yeas and nays are being called. 76

Rule 10. (Majority Constitutes Quorum, Less May Compel 77  
Attendance.) A majority of all members elected to the Senate shall 78  
constitute a quorum, but a less number may compel the attendance 79

of absent members or adjourn from day to day. 80

Rule 11. (Absence of Quorum, No Business, Procedure.) Should 81  
a roll call show the absence of a quorum, the President shall 82  
direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to dispatch the Sergeant-at-Arms's 83  
messengers for the absentees and until a quorum is present no 84  
business shall be in order except a motion to adjourn and the 85  
enforcement of the attendance of the absentees. 86

Rule 12. (Call of Senate, How Demanded.) Any senator may 87  
demand a call of the Senate providing the demand is seconded by 88  
three other senators and upon such call the names of the senators 89  
shall be called by the Clerk in their alphabetical order and the 90  
names of the absentees entered upon the Journal. 91

Rule 13. (Procedure under Call of Senate.) While the Senate 92  
is under call the doors shall be closed; senators shall take and 93  
remain in their seats and no senator shall be permitted to leave 94  
the Chamber unless by a majority vote of the senators present. 95

Rule 14. (Call of Senate, Absentees Brought in.) On the 96  
completion of the roll call on the call of the Senate, the 97  
President shall direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to bring in the 98  
absentees, if any, and until such absentees have appeared at the 99  
bar of the Senate and answered to their names, no business shall 100  
be in order except a motion to adjourn and a motion to dispense 101  
with further proceedings under the call. 102

Rule 15. (Call of Senate, Motion to Adjourn if Defeated.) 103  
During a call of the Senate, if a motion to adjourn has been voted 104  
down, it shall not be renewed until a motion to dispense with the 105  
call has been voted upon, or until an additional senator has 106  
appeared and answered to the roll call. A motion to dispense with 107  
further proceedings under the call shall not be made in the 108  
absence of quorum. 109

Rule 16. (After Call of Senate, Senator Cannot Leave.) When a 110

call of the Senate has been completed and further proceedings 111  
under the call have been dispensed with, no senator shall be 112  
permitted to leave the Chamber until the order of business for 113  
which the call was demanded has been disposed of, except by leave 114  
of a majority of the senators elected. 115

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES 116

Rule 17. (Absences, Must be Excused.) Any absence of a member 117  
from a session of the Senate must be excused. Before a member may 118  
be excused from such an absence from a voting session, the member 119  
shall submit an explanation for the absence in writing to the 120  
Clerk. A member shall be automatically excused from a nonvoting 121  
session. 122

Rule 18. (Mileage Reimbursement, Payment of.) The 123  
reimbursement based on mileage as provided for in section 101.27 124  
of the Revised Code shall be paid to each qualifying member by the 125  
Clerk unless a member is not present in Columbus during a week. 126

COMMITTEES 127

Rule 19. (Appointment of.) At as early a date as practicable 128  
after the organization of the Senate, the President of the Senate, 129  
by message, shall name and appoint members to standing committees 130  
and any standing subcommittees. The President may appoint senators 131  
who are not members of a standing committee to a standing 132  
subcommittee of that committee. In addition, the President of the 133  
Senate, by message, shall name, and may substitute, members of the 134  
Senate to serve on boards, commissions, task forces, and other 135  
bodies created by law and on which Senate members are eligible to 136  
serve, except as otherwise provided. The Minority Leader of the 137  
Senate may recommend minority party members for each committee. 138

Rule 20. (Committee Chairperson; Expenses; Attendance of 139  
Witnesses.) The President shall designate a chairperson and 140  
vice-chairperson as well as a ranking minority member for each 141  
committee. The Minority Leader of the Senate may recommend the 142

ranking minority member for each committee. In the absence of the 143  
chairperson or vice-chairperson, the committee may designate a 144  
chairperson. 145

The President may be substituted as a voting member of any 146  
committee and the committee records shall reflect such fact and 147  
the committee member for whom the President has been substituted. 148  
The Minority Leader shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member of 149  
each committee and the President may, at the Minority Leader's 150  
request, substitute the Minority Leader as a voting member of any 151  
committee and the committee records shall reflect such fact and 152  
the committee member for whom the Minority Leader has been 153  
substituted. 154

No committee or member thereof shall be permitted to incur 155  
any expenses without first receiving the written consent of the 156  
President or the Committee on Rules. Authorization by the 157  
Committee on Rules shall be signed by the Chairperson of the 158  
Committee on Rules. 159

When authorized by the President, the chairperson of a 160  
standing committee of the Senate, with respect to any pending or 161  
contemplated legislation, or with respect to any matter committed 162  
to the standing committee, or the chairperson of a select 163  
committee of the Senate, with respect to any matter committed to 164  
the select committee, may issue a subpoena under sections 101.41 165  
to 101.46 of the Revised Code, or may issue an order under section 166  
101.81 of the Revised Code, to compel the attendance of witnesses 167  
or the production of books, papers, or other tangible evidence. 168

Rule 21. (Committee Meetings, Called by, Rules, Record.) Each 169  
committee shall meet upon the call of its chairperson, and in case 170  
of the chairperson's absence, or refusal to call the committee 171  
together, a meeting may be called by a majority of the members of 172  
the committee. At least two days preceding the day bills or joint 173  
resolutions to propose a constitutional amendment are to be given 174

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. 239

When a standing committee recommends a House bill for passage 240  
or a House joint or concurrent resolution for adoption, the 241  
chairperson of the committee shall, when the same is called up for 242  
consideration, cause the bill or joint or concurrent resolution to 243  
be properly presented to the Senate. 244

Rule 27. (Records to be Kept.) Each committee shall keep 245  
minutes of its proceedings, including a record of committee 246  
attendance and the names of all persons who speak before the 247  
committee, whether such persons are a proponent, opponent, or 248  
other interested party on the issue on which they appear, the 249  
names of the persons, firms, associations, or corporations in 250  
whose behalf such persons appear, and such other matters as may be 251  
directed by the Committee on Rules. A record of motions and the 252  
votes thereon shall be kept by the committee. 253

Rule 28. (Records Open to Examination; Filing of Records.) 254  
During the period of sessions, committee voting records shall be 255  
open for examination by any citizen of Ohio at reasonable times 256  
and subject to adequate safeguards established by the chairperson 257  
to protect and preserve such records. Upon final adjournment of 258  
the Senate, the committee records shall be filed with the Clerk. 259  
Committee voting records filed with the Clerk shall be open for 260  
examination by any citizen of Ohio at reasonable times and subject 261  
to adequate safeguards established by the Clerk and the records 262  
retention schedule adopted by the Clerk. 263

Rule 29. (Committee Shall Examine Bills, etc.) Every 264  
committee to which a bill or resolution is referred shall 265  
carefully examine the form, phraseology, punctuation, and 266  
arrangement thereof and when necessary report to the Senate 267  
amendments to correct the same. 268

Rule 30. (Select Committees, Appointed by.) All committees 269

shall be appointed by the President. 270

Rule 31. (Motion to Commit, Cannot Be Amended.) When a motion 271  
is made to commit to a standing committee, it shall not be in 272  
order to amend such motion by substitution of any other committee. 273

Rule 32. (Motion to Discharge a Committee.) A motion to 274  
discharge a committee of further consideration of a bill or 275  
resolution which has been referred to such committee thirty 276  
calendar days or more prior thereto, shall be in writing and 277  
deposited in the office of the Clerk. Before such motion may be 278  
filed with the Clerk, there shall be attached thereto the 279  
signatures of a majority of the members elected to the Senate, and 280  
each member so signing must do so in the office of the Clerk and 281  
in the Clerk's presence, or in the presence of one of the Clerk's 282  
assistants. Such motion, together with the signatures, shall be 283  
printed in the Journal on the day the motion was filed with the 284  
Clerk. Only one motion can be presented for each bill or 285  
resolution. 286

BILLS 287

Rule 33. (Introduction of Bills.) Bills to be introduced in 288  
the Senate shall be typewritten, shall be in quadruplicate, shall 289  
bear the name of the author and co-authors, if any, and shall be 290  
filed in the Clerk's office at least one hour prior to the next 291  
convening session of the Senate. 292

Between the general election and the time for the next 293  
convening session, a holdover member or a member-elect may file 294  
bills for introduction in the next session with the Clerk's 295  
office, and those bills shall be treated as if they were bills 296  
introduced on the first day of the session. 297

No bill shall be accepted for filing by the Clerk unless it 298  
is presented for filing by a member or member-elect of the Senate, 299  
or by the member's legislative aide or administrative assistant 300

with authorization of the senator, and it has first been approved 301  
as to form by the Legislative Service Commission and the face of 302  
the bill is marked to indicate that approval. 303

When the time for introduction of bills is reached in the 304  
regular order of business, the Clerk shall read the bills filed 305  
with the Clerk in the same manner as if the bills were introduced 306  
from the floor. This rule may be suspended by a majority vote of 307  
the members elected. 308

Rule 34. (Bills, Title of.) Bills shall have noted in their 309  
title a distinct reference to the subject or matter to which they 310  
relate, and if they propose the amendment, enactment, or repeal of 311  
any law, to the section proposed to be amended, enacted, or 312  
repealed. 313

Rule 35. (Bills, Second Consideration and Committee on 314  
Reference, Public Hearing.) On the second reading of a bill, the 315  
Committee on Reference shall, if no motion or order be made to the 316  
contrary, refer the bill to the proper standing committee in 317  
regular order. Further, no bill shall be reported for a third 318  
reading and passage unless the same shall have been considered at 319  
a meeting of the committee to which the same has been referred. 320

All Senate bills and resolutions referred by the Committee on 321  
Reference on or before the first day of April in an even-numbered 322  
year shall be scheduled by the chairperson of the committee to 323  
which the same has been referred for a minimum of one public 324  
hearing. 325

Rule 36. (House Bills Engrossed When Amended.) House bills, 326  
when altered or amended by the Senate, shall be engrossed in like 327  
manner as Senate bills preparatory to their consideration. 328

Rule 37. (Recommitment of Bills.) At any time before its 329  
passage, a bill or resolution may be recommitted or rereferred by 330  
a majority vote of the Senate or the Committee on Rules. 331

Rule 38. (Recommitment after Reconsideration.) If a bill or 332  
resolution be lost, and the vote reconsidered, such bill or 333  
resolution shall not thereafter be committed to other than a 334  
standing committee or to a select committee to which the bill or 335  
resolution was originally referred. 336

Rule 39. (Special Order, How Made.) A bill or resolution may 337  
be made a special order by a three-fifths vote of the Senate. 338

Rule 40. (Bills Placed on Calendar, When.) Unless the Senate 339  
otherwise orders, all bills and resolutions reported by a 340  
committee with a recommendation for passage or adoption shall be 341  
placed on the calendar with an indication that the bills and 342  
resolutions have been recommended for passage or adoption by the 343  
designated committees. Bills and resolutions recommended by 344  
designated committees may be arranged on the calendar under the 345  
regular order of business by action of the Committee on Rules, 346  
pursuant to Rule ~~96~~ 99. 347

Rule 41. (How Taken Up for Consideration.) Resolutions taken 348  
up on the calendar under the fifth order of business listed in 349  
Rule 7 and bills standing in order for third consideration shall 350  
be taken up and read without a motion to that effect, and, unless 351  
otherwise ordered by the Senate, the questions shall be, 352  
respectively: "Shall the resolution be adopted?" and "Shall the 353  
bill pass?" 354

Rule 42. (Carried Over to Succeeding Day.) When a bill which 355  
has been set for a third consideration on a particular day shall 356  
for any reason not be reached on that day, it shall stand for 357  
third consideration on the first succeeding day when bills for 358  
third consideration shall be reached in the regular order of 359  
business, except as may be otherwise provided by the Committee on 360  
Rules. 361

Rule 43. (Bills Taken Up Earlier, How.) When a bill has been 362

ordered for third consideration on a particular day, or at a 363  
certain hour, it shall not sooner be taken up except upon 364  
three-fifths vote of the senators elected. 365

Rule 44. (Calendar Must Show Amendments.) If a bill is 366  
amended before being placed upon the calendar for third 367  
consideration, the Clerk shall note on the calendar the fact that 368  
it has been amended, and shall cite the date when such amendment 369  
was made and the page of the Senate or House Journal upon which 370  
such amendment appears. At the time of third consideration, the 371  
bill with amendments incorporated shall be supplied to each 372  
senator. 373

The Clerk may post on the calendar under the regular order of 374  
business pursuant to Rule 7 the title of bills for which a report 375  
of a committee of conference has been filed with the Clerk. 376

When a bill or joint or concurrent resolution has been passed 377  
or been adopted in the Senate, and been amended, passed or 378  
adopted, and returned by the House, it shall lie over one calendar 379  
day, unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the Senate. 380

When a report of a committee of conference has been filed 381  
with the Clerk, it shall be spread upon the pages of the Journal 382  
and lie over one calendar day unless otherwise ordered by a 383  
majority vote of the Senate. 384

Rule 45. (Amendments Provided Before Vote.) Before a vote may 385  
be taken upon the question of concurrence in House amendments to a 386  
Senate bill or resolution, or upon the question of agreement to 387  
the report of a conference committee, each member of the Senate 388  
shall be supplied with the amendments made by the House or 389  
recommended by the conference committee and each member of 390  
majority leadership, each member of the minority leadership, and 391  
the sponsor or floor sponsor shall be supplied with the bill or 392  
resolution as passed by the Senate. 393

Rule 46. (Synopsis of House Amendments before Vote.) Before a 394  
vote is taken on the question of concurrence in House amendments 395  
to a Senate bill or resolution, the staff of the Legislative 396  
Service Commission shall prepare a synopsis of any substantive 397  
amendments made by a House committee to the bill or resolution as 398  
passed by the Senate. The staff of the Legislative Service 399  
Commission shall make such a synopsis available to each senator at 400  
the time the Senate votes on the question of concurrence in the 401  
House amendments. The Clerk shall provide each member of the 402  
majority leadership, each member of the minority leadership, and 403  
the sponsor or floor sponsor with any amendments made by the House 404  
during its third consideration of the bill or resolution. 405

Rule 47. (Title of Bill after Passage.) When a bill has 406  
passed the Senate, the Clerk shall read its title and the 407  
President shall demand if the Senate agrees thereto. Any senator 408  
may then request the addition or deletion of a senator's name to 409  
the title as a co-sponsor. Prior to passage of a bill, a former 410  
senator who no longer is a member of the General Assembly may 411  
present a writing to the Clerk requesting deletion of the former 412  
senator's name from the title of the bill as sponsor or 413  
co-sponsor. The President shall present the request to the Senate, 414  
and the Clerk shall spread the request upon the pages of the 415  
Journal. When the Senate is agreed, the Clerk shall make out the 416  
title accordingly, and certify to the passage of the bill upon its 417  
carrier. 418

Immediately after the Senate has voted to concur in House 419  
amendments to a bill or resolution, and immediately after the 420  
Senate has voted to accept a conference committee report, the 421  
President shall demand if the Senate agrees to the co-sponsorship 422  
of the bill or resolution. Any senator may then request the 423  
addition or deletion of a senator's name from the bill or 424  
resolution as co-sponsor. Prior to the vote on concurrence in 425

House amendments to a bill or resolution, and prior to the vote on 426  
a conference committee report, a former senator who no longer is a 427  
member of the General Assembly may present a writing to the Clerk 428  
requesting deletion of the former senator's name from the bill or 429  
resolution as sponsor or co-sponsor. The President shall present 430  
the request to the Senate, and the Clerk shall spread the request 431  
upon the pages of the Journal. When the Senate is agreed, the 432  
Clerk shall make out the title of the bill or resolution 433  
accordingly. 434

AMENDMENTS 435

Rule 48. (Amendments, Must Be Germane.) No amendment proposed 436  
that is not germane to the subject under consideration shall be 437  
considered. 438

Rule 49. (Same Amendment Not Permitted, Except.) Matters 439  
inserted in or stricken from a bill by amendment, except an 440  
amendment reported by a standing or special committee, may not be 441  
subsequently stricken from or inserted in a bill by amendment. But 442  
a motion to reconsider will, however, be in order. 443

Rule 50. (Cannot Contain Pending Legislation.) No bill or 444  
resolution shall be amended on the floor of the Senate by annexing 445  
or incorporating the substance of any other bill or resolution 446  
pending before the Senate unless such annexation or incorporation 447  
is done by vote of a majority of the senators. 448

Rule 51. (Tabling, Effect on Bill.) When a motion to amend a 449  
bill or resolution is laid upon the table or indefinitely 450  
postponed, the measure shall not be carried with it but shall be 451  
subject to further consideration. 452

Rule 52. (Amendments to Emergency Bills.) Amendments proposed 453  
to emergency bills shall be offered before the vote is taken on 454  
the emergency section. 455

RESOLUTIONS 456

Rule 53. (Resolutions, How Offered; Special Committees by.) 457  
Resolutions may be offered by a senator in the senator's 458  
individual capacity, or as a report of a committee in the regular 459  
order of business, or at any time on leave of the Senate. Any 460  
resolution proposing the creation of a special investigating 461  
committee shall be, upon its introduction, automatically referred 462  
to the Committee on Rules. This rule shall be dispensed with only 463  
by a two-thirds vote of the Senate. 464

Rule 54. (Resolutions, When Considered.) Resolutions to be 465  
introduced in the Senate shall be typewritten, shall be in 466  
quadruplicate, shall bear the name of the author and co-authors, 467  
if any, and shall be filed in the Clerk's office at least one hour 468  
prior to the next convening session of the Senate. All resolutions 469  
offered in the Senate shall be considered immediately by either 470  
being adopted or referred to the Committee on Reference, except as 471  
provided in Rules 53 and 55. If so referred, the Committee on 472  
Reference shall examine and otherwise consider the resolution, and 473  
may indefinitely postpone it, refer it to another standing 474  
committee, or report it back to the Senate. 475

All death, commemorative, and congratulatory resolutions 476  
shall be printed by title only unless otherwise ordered by a 477  
majority vote of the members elected. 478

Upon reading a resolution from the House, such resolution 479  
shall be considered immediately by either being adopted or 480  
referred to the Committee on Reference. If so referred, the 481  
Committee on Reference shall examine and otherwise consider the 482  
resolution, and may indefinitely postpone it, refer it to another 483  
standing committee, or report it back to the Senate. 484

It shall be a prerogative of the presiding officer to 485  
consolidate into a single motion for consideration by the Senate 486  
some or all commemorative and congratulatory resolutions offered 487  
for adoption on any particular legislative day. Should the 488



presiding officer exercise this prerogative, which shall be called 489  
a President's Prerogative, the presiding officer shall direct the 490  
Clerk to supply a list entitled President's Prerogative 491  
Resolutions which identifies by title all resolutions proposed to 492  
be adopted by a single vote. This list shall be supplied to all 493  
members prior to a vote on said resolutions. The presiding officer 494  
shall put the following question: "Shall the resolutions listed 495  
under the President's Prerogative be adopted?" 496

Rule 55. (Concurrent Resolutions, Agency Rule Review.) The 497  
Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Agency 498  
Rule Review shall offer under the ninth order of business listed 499  
in Rule 7, all concurrent resolutions recommended by that 500  
committee for adoption by the Senate. The resolution shall be 501  
offered within three Senate legislative days after the date of 502  
recommendation by the joint committee, and shall that day be 503  
referred to the Committee on Rules, which shall place the 504  
resolution on the Senate calendar for consideration within twelve 505  
calendar days; but the resolution shall be offered and taken up 506  
for consideration on an earlier legislative day if necessary to 507  
permit its adoption within the period of time specified by section 508  
119.03 of the Revised Code for invalidating a proposed rule, 509  
amendment, rescission, or any part thereof. 510

Rule 56. (Resolutions, Preparation.) Upon adoption, all 511  
Senate resolutions shall be prepared and authenticated by the 512  
Clerk and signed by the President. The Clerk shall also provide a 513  
place on all death, commemorative, and congratulatory resolutions 514  
for signature of the senator whose name first appears on the 515  
resolution as author. 516

VOTING 517

Rule 57. (Senator Must Vote.) Every senator present when the 518  
question is put shall vote on the question unless excused by the 519  
Senate. The Clerk shall call the roll of the Senate in 520

alphabetical order with the President called last. The President 521  
may direct the Clerk to call the President Pro Tempore first in 522  
the call of the roll. 523

A request from any senator to be excused from voting must be 524  
made before the Senate divides or before the call of the roll 525  
begins. 526

Rule 58. (How Excused from Voting.) Any senator requesting to 527  
be excused from voting may briefly explain the reason for such 528  
request, and the Senate shall pass upon the request without 529  
debate. 530

Rule 59. (Explanation of Vote.) A member desiring to explain 531  
the member's vote shall make a request therefor, before the Senate 532  
divides or before the call of the yeas and nays is commenced. If 533  
such request is granted by the Senate, such statement shall not 534  
consume more than two minutes of time. 535

Rule 60. (Quorum Not Voting, Continue.) When fewer than a 536  
quorum vote on any question, the President shall forthwith order 537  
the roll of senators to be called. If a quorum be present as shown 538  
by answering to their names, or by their presence in the Chamber, 539  
the President shall again order the roll to be called, and if any 540  
senator is present the senator shall be ordered to vote unless the 541  
Senate shall have previously excused the senator. 542

Rule 61. (Roll May Remain Open.) At the discretion of the 543  
President, the roll may remain open for a vote by any senator who 544  
was not present when the roll was called, but the roll may remain 545  
open only until the Senate adjourns for the day. 546

Rule ~~61~~ 62. (Senator Cannot Vote, When.) No senator shall 547  
vote upon any question while off the floor of the Senate, upon any 548  
question involving the senator's election or the right to the 549  
senator's seat, or vote upon any question in contravention of the 550  
Legislative Code of Ethics or in violation of section 102.031 of 551

the Revised Code. 552

Rule ~~62~~ 63. (Division, When Taken.) After a vote is taken 553  
viva voce, if the President is undecided, or if a division is 554  
demanded by any senator before the result is announced, the Senate 555  
shall divide. Those voting in the affirmative shall arise at the 556  
request of the President and remain standing until counted and the 557  
count is announced; then those voting in the negative shall arise 558  
and remain standing until counted and the count is announced. 559

Rule ~~63~~ 64. (House Amendments, Conference Reports.) The yeas 560  
and nays shall be called upon the question of concurring in 561  
amendments made by the House to all bills or resolutions passed by 562  
the Senate, and upon agreeing to the report of conference 563  
committees, except where amendment is to the title only. 564

Rule ~~64~~ 65. (Only Clerks at Desk During Roll Call.) No 565  
person, other than the Clerk and the Clerk's assistants, shall be 566  
permitted at the Clerk's desk while the yeas and nays are being 567  
taken. 568

Rule ~~65~~ 66. (Verification of Vote.) After the roll has been 569  
called, any senator may demand a verification of the vote. The 570  
Clerk shall read, first the names of those senators voting in the 571  
affirmative, then of those voting in the negative, at which time 572  
any senator, on account of error or for any other reason, may 573  
change his or her vote; but no senator shall be permitted to 574  
change his or her vote, as recorded, after the roll call has been 575  
verified and the results declared except by unanimous consent of 576  
the Senate. A request by a senator for unanimous consent to change 577  
the senator's vote must be made from the well of the Senate and 578  
before the Senate proceeds to the next item within the same or 579  
next order of business. 580

DECORUM AND DEBATE 581

Rule ~~66~~ 67. (Senators Shall Address President.) When a 582

senator desires to address the Senate or to make a motion, the 583  
senator shall arise and respectfully address "Mr. President," and 584  
the President shall recognize the senator and may do so by 585  
announcing, "The Senator from .....,," naming the 586  
District. 587

A senator who wishes to question another senator shall, for 588  
each question, first request and receive the President's 589  
permission to ask the question. No senator is required to answer a 590  
question put by another senator. 591

Rule ~~67~~ 68. (President Decides Who Shall Speak.) The prime 592  
sponsor of a bill shall be recognized first. When two or more 593  
senators seek recognition of the chair at the same time, the 594  
President shall decide which senator shall speak first. No senator 595  
shall yield the floor to another senator without consent of the 596  
Senate. 597

Rule ~~68~~ 69. (How Often Senator May Speak.) No senator shall 598  
speak more than twice on the same question except by leave of the 599  
Senate or responding to the floor; and the senator speaking shall 600  
confine the speech to the question under debate and avoid 601  
personalities. 602

Rule ~~69~~ 70. (May Read from Books, etc.) Any senator while 603  
discussing a question may read, or cause to be read, from books, 604  
papers, documents or any matter pertinent to the subject under 605  
consideration for a period of five minutes without asking leave. 606  
Additional time may be granted by a majority vote of the Senate. 607

Rule ~~70~~ 71. (Statement of Question.) Any senator may call for 608  
a statement of the pending question, whereupon the President shall 609  
restate the same. 610

Rule ~~71~~ 72. (Division of Question.) Any senator may call for 611  
a division of the question; the decision of the President as to 612  
its divisibility shall be subject to appeal as in questions of 613

order. 614

Rule ~~72~~ 73. (Questions of Order Decided by.) All questions of 615  
order shall be decided by the President without debate; such 616  
decision shall be subject to appeal to the Senate by any three 617  
senators, on which appeal no senator shall speak more than once, 618  
unless by leave of the Senate; and the President may speak in 619  
preference to the senators. 620

Rule ~~73~~ 74. (Senator May Be Called to Order.) If any senator, 621  
in speaking or otherwise, is transgressing the Rules of the 622  
Senate, the President shall, or any member may, call the senator 623  
to order; and the senator called to order shall take the senator's 624  
seat until the question of order is decided. 625

Rule 74 75. (If Called to Order.) If the decision be in favor 626  
of a senator called to order, the senator shall be at liberty to 627  
proceed; if otherwise, the senator shall not be permitted to 628  
proceed without further leave of the Senate. 629

Rule 76. (Personal Privilege.) A senator may file with the 630  
Clerk a form requesting to rise and explain a matter personal to 631  
the senator. Upon the request of the senator, the President may 632  
instruct the Clerk to make note of the point of personal privilege 633  
in the Journal. The Clerk shall prescribe a form for the request 634  
that includes a space for the senator to indicate whether the 635  
senator wishes the point of personal privilege to be noted in the 636  
Journal. 637

MOTIONS 638

Rule ~~75~~ 77. (When Motions Must Be in Writing.) ~~Whenever~~ All 639  
amendments must be in writing. Except for an amendment to a bill 640  
or resolution that was placed on the calendar for consideration 641  
not more than twenty-four hours in advance of the voting session, 642  
whenever an amendment is offered to any bill or resolution under 643  
consideration, or any amendment to such an amendment, the senator 644

proposing the same shall ~~reduce it to writing and send~~ submit it 645  
to the ~~Clerk's desk~~ Clerk not less than ninety minutes before the 646  
beginning of the voting session at which the amendment is to be 647  
offered, unless a majority of the Senate votes to waive the 648  
deadline. Amendments prepared and distributed in advance of their 649  
offering shall identify the bill or resolution sought to be 650  
amended and the name of the senator proposing to amend; when a 651  
senator prepares more than one amendment to the same bill or 652  
resolution, the amendments shall be numbered sequentially. Unless 653  
objection is waived, debate shall cease until all members are 654  
supplied with copies of amendments offered on the floor. 655

Rule ~~76~~ 78. (Precedence of Motions.) Except as otherwise 656  
provided in Rule ~~81~~ 83, motions shall take precedence in the 657  
following order: 658

1. To informally pass. 659
2. To adjourn. 660
3. To take a recess. 661
4. To lay on the table. 662
5. The previous question. 663
6. To proceed to the orders of the day. 664
7. To postpone to a time certain. 665
8. To commit. 666
9. To amend. 667
10. To postpone indefinitely. 668
11. To discharge a committee. 669

Rule ~~77~~ 79. (Decided Without Debate.) The following questions 670  
shall be decided without debate: 671

1. To informally pass. 672

2. To adjourn. 673
3. To take a recess. 674
4. To lay on the table. 675
5. The previous question. 676
6. To go into committee of the whole on orders of the day. 677
7. All questions relating to the priority of business. 678

Rule ~~78~~ 80. (Motions, Statement and Withdrawal.) When a 679  
motion is made the question shall be stated by the President; or, 680  
being in writing, it may be read to the Senate by the President or 681  
Clerk. After a motion is stated or read by the President, or read 682  
by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the 683  
Senate, but may be withdrawn, by leave of the Senate, at any time 684  
before a decision or amendment. 685

PREVIOUS QUESTION 686

Rule ~~79~~ 81. (Previous Question, How Put.) A motion for the 687  
previous question shall be entertained only upon the demand of 688  
three senators. The President shall put the question in this form: 689  
"The question is, 'Shall the debate now close?'" A majority vote 690  
of the Senate shall be required to carry the previous question, 691  
and until decided it shall preclude further debate and all 692  
amendments and motions. 693

Rule ~~80~~ 82. (Action after Previous Question.) After the 694  
demand for the previous question has been sustained no call or 695  
motion shall be in order, but the Senate shall be brought to an 696  
immediate vote. 697

RECONSIDERATION 698

Rule ~~81~~ 83. (Reconsideration, How and When.) A motion to 699  
reconsider a vote may be made only by a senator who voted with the 700  
prevailing side, and such motion, to be in order, must be made 701  
within the next two legislative days of the Senate after such vote 702

is taken. A motion to reconsider shall take precedence over all 703  
questions except a motion to adjourn, and may be called up at any 704  
time in the appropriate order of business after disposal of 705  
pending questions. 706

Rule ~~82~~ 84. (Vote Necessary on Reconsideration.) The vote on 707  
any question other than the previous question may be reconsidered 708  
by a majority of those voting, a quorum being present, except when 709  
a bill or resolution has been declared lost, in which case the 710  
motion shall not prevail unless it receives the number of 711  
affirmative votes which would be required to pass such a bill or 712  
resolution. 713

Rule ~~83~~ 85. (One Reconsideration Only.) A motion to 714  
reconsider, having been decided, shall not again be entertained 715  
unless the question has been changed in form by amendment. 716

Rule ~~84~~ 86. (Reconsideration, Motion Postponed.) 717  
Consideration of a motion to reconsider may be postponed to a time 718  
certain or left pending. However, if a motion to reconsider is not 719  
called up within thirty days after it was made, the motion is 720  
deemed lost. 721

Rule ~~85~~ 87. (Procedure on Reconsideration.) A motion to 722  
reconsider action on a bill, joint resolution, or other paper that 723  
may have gone out of possession of the Senate shall be entertained 724  
if made within the time specified in Rule ~~81~~ 83; such motion to 725  
reconsider shall be regarded as an order to the Clerk to request 726  
the House to return the bill, joint resolution, or other paper, 727  
but the Senate may vote on the motion to reconsider without 728  
waiting for the return to the Senate of such bill, joint 729  
resolution, or other paper, and the President shall state the 730  
question: "Shall the vote be reconsidered?" Action on the bill, 731  
joint resolution, or other paper, the vote on which has been 732  
reconsidered, may not be taken until such bill, joint resolution, 733  
or other paper has been returned and is in possession of the 734



Senate. 735

Rule ~~86~~ 88. (Effect of Tabling Motion to Reconsider.) When a 736  
motion to reconsider is laid upon the table it shall not carry the 737  
bill or resolution with it; nor shall a motion to reconsider be 738  
reconsidered. 739

POSTPONEMENT 740

Rule ~~87~~ 89. (To Postpone.) A motion to postpone to a time 741  
certain, or indefinitely, being decided, shall not again be 742  
allowed at the same stage of the question. 743

Rule ~~88~~ 90. (Indefinitely Postponed, Effect.) If a motion to 744  
indefinitely postpone a bill or resolution be carried, such bill 745  
or resolution shall be declared lost. If a Senate bill or 746  
resolution is defeated or indefinitely postponed in the Senate it 747  
shall not be reintroduced during either annual session of the same 748  
General Assembly. 749

Rule ~~89~~ 91. (Postpone to Time Certain.) A bill or resolution 750  
postponed to a time certain shall not be considered at an earlier 751  
time, except upon the vote of three-fifths of the senators 752  
elected. 753

Rule ~~90~~ 92. (To Informally Pass.) A motion to informally pass 754  
a bill or resolution may be made at any time prior to the taking 755  
of the roll call. 756

RECESS AND ADJOURNMENT 757

Rule ~~91~~ 93. (Recess and Adjournment.) The interim between any 758  
two sessions of the Senate on the same day shall be termed a 759  
recess, and on the reassembling at the appointed hour any question 760  
pending at the time of taking such recess shall be resumed without 761  
a motion to that effect; and unless the Senate shall otherwise 762  
order by resolution or motion, the hour to which it shall adjourn 763  
shall be half past one p.m. the succeeding day; and the hour to 764  
which it shall recess shall be stated in the motion. 765

Rule ~~92~~ 94. (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~~ 95. (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~~ 96. (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~~ 97. (Parliamentary Guide.) Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure (~~2000~~ 2010 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~~ 98. (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 798  
committee. In a case of necessity, the Chairperson of the 799  
Committee on Rules may call a special meeting upon proper notice 800  
to add a bill to the calendar upon a majority vote. One day's 801  
notice shall not be required for calendars during the first week 802  
after an adjournment of more than five calendar days. 803

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS 804

Rule ~~97~~ 99. (Executive Appointments.) When executive 805  
appointments are received by the Senate they shall, unless the 806  
Senate otherwise orders, be referred to the Committee on Rules. 807  
The Committee on Rules may refer the appointments to another 808  
committee. 809

Rule ~~98~~ 100. (Yeas and Nays, Appointments.) The yeas and nays 810  
shall be called upon advising and consenting to an executive 811  
appointment. Failure of the question to receive the concurrence of 812  
a majority of the senators elected constitutes refusal of the 813  
Senate to advise and consent to the appointment. The Senate may 814  
advise and consent to two or more appointments by a single roll 815  
call vote. When a committee to which an appointment has been 816  
referred recommends its rejection, or when a senator demands that 817  
an appointment be separately considered, the question of its 818  
approval shall not be included in a single roll call vote 819  
affecting more than one appointment, but the yeas and nays shall 820  
be separately called on the question of advising and consenting to 821  
such an appointment. When two or more appointments are made the 822  
subject of a single roll call vote, the failure of the question to 823  
receive the concurrence of a majority of the senators elected 824  
shall not constitute refusal to advise and consent to the 825  
appointments, but in such case the yeas and nays shall then be 826  
separately called on the question of advising and consenting to 827  
each appointment. 828

DUTIES OF OFFICERS 829

Rule ~~99~~ 101. (Clerk Shall Keep Index to Bills, etc.) The 830  
Clerk shall keep an index record of all bills and resolutions 831  
introduced in the Senate regardless of the house of origin, 832  
showing the number, title, and author of each measure, the section 833  
sought to be amended, enacted, or repealed, and the subject or 834  
matter affected thereby. The Clerk may call upon the staff of the 835  
Ohio Government Telecommunications to produce a video of all 836  
Senate voting sessions. Such video shall be accessible as provided 837  
by law and the rules of the Ohio Government Telecommunications 838  
Programming Committee. 839

Rule ~~100~~ 102. (Duties of Clerk.) The distribution and receipt 840  
of bills, resolutions, reports, messages from the House and from 841  
any branch of the executive or judicial department of the State, 842  
and all other documents belonging to the Senate shall be under the 843  
direction and control of the Clerk. All records kept by the Clerk 844  
are governed by the records retention schedule adopted by the 845  
Clerk. The property and premises of the Senate shall also be under 846  
the direct supervision of the Clerk. 847

When the Clerk is required to print a bill, resolution, 848  
report, or other document belonging to the Senate, the Clerk may 849  
use any method of printing contemplated by sections 101.51 to 850  
101.524 of the Revised Code. 851

The Senate by resolution shall prescribe the powers and 852  
duties of the Chief of Staff and Clerk. 853

In case of the death or resignation of the Clerk, the 854  
President may designate any individual to perform the Clerk's 855  
duties until such time as the Senate, by vote, fills the vacancy. 856

PRIVILEGES 857

Rule ~~101~~ 103. (Use of Senate Chamber.) The use of the Senate 858  
chamber shall not be granted at any time, by resolution or 859  
otherwise, for any purpose other than legislative purposes, except 860

by consent of two-thirds of the members elected. At no time shall 861  
food or beverages be allowed in the Senate chamber. 862

Rule ~~102~~ 104. (Use of Committee Rooms.) A person who wishes 863  
to use a Senate committee room for a purpose other than a meeting 864  
of a committee, subcommittee, or other official Senate business 865  
shall not do so without obtaining the Clerk's prior approval. In 866  
requesting the Clerk's approval, the person shall inform the Clerk 867  
of the committee room the person wishes to use and the time and 868  
purpose of the proposed use. Senate committee rooms may be used 869  
for only appropriate purposes. At no time shall food or beverages 870  
be allowed in Senate committee rooms unless otherwise authorized 871  
by the Clerk. 872

Rule ~~103~~ 105. (Who Admitted in Chamber, Members' Lounge.) 873  
During the daily sessions of the Senate, no person shall be 874  
admitted within the railing except members of the two houses, 875  
their officers and employees in the performance of their duties, 876  
or persons charged with messages or papers to the Senate; clergy, 877  
by invitation of the President; the Governor of this or any other 878  
state; and representatives of newspapers or legislative 879  
information services who have been granted the privileges of the 880  
Senate by the President. When the Senate is not in session, only 881  
senators and their guests and officers and employees of the Senate 882  
in the performance of their duties are permitted within the 883  
railing without the President's permission. 884

During the daily sessions of the Senate, no person shall be 885  
admitted in the Members' Lounge except members of the Senate and 886  
officers or employees of the Senate in the performance of their 887  
duties. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce this rule. 888

Rule ~~104~~ 106. (Posters, Placards, Banners and Signs.) No 889  
poster, placard, banner, sign or other similar material shall be 890  
carried into the Senate Chamber or committee or meeting rooms of 891  
the Senate by any person, and no person shall attach or affix any 892

poster, placard, banner, sign or other similar material to the 893  
doors, walls, rails, seats or banisters of the Senate Chamber or 894  
committee or meeting rooms of the Senate. The Sergeant-at-Arms 895  
shall strictly enforce this rule. 896

Rule ~~105~~ 107. (Applause, Outbursts or Demonstrations.) No 897  
applause, outburst or other demonstration by any spectator shall 898  
be permitted during a session of the Senate and during any meeting 899  
of a committee. 900

Rule ~~106~~ 108. (Distribution of Printed Materials.) No general 901  
distribution of printed material to the members of the Senate 902  
shall be permitted in the Senate Chamber during the daily sessions 903  
of the Senate unless authorized by a senator or the Clerk. The 904  
printed material shall bear the name of the person authorizing its 905  
distribution. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce this 906  
rule. 907

Rule ~~107~~ 109. (~~Cellular~~ Mobile Telephones and ~~Pagers,~~ 908  
Prohibitions.) The use of a ~~cellular~~ mobile telephone, ~~audible~~ 909  
~~pager,~~ or any other audible wireless electronic telecommunication 910  
device is prohibited during sessions of the Senate and during any 911  
meeting of a committee. 912

Rule ~~108~~ 110. (Press Privileges, How Obtained.) 913  
Representatives of the press desiring the privileges of the press 914  
area of the Senate floor shall make application to the President 915  
of the Senate and shall state in writing for what paper or papers 916  
or legislative information services, magazines, or their 917  
affiliates they are employed; and shall further state that they 918  
are not engaged in the prosecution of claims pending before the 919  
General Assembly and will not become so engaged while allowed the 920  
privileges of the floor; and that they are not in any sense the 921  
agents or representatives of persons or corporations having 922  
legislation before the General Assembly, and will not become 923  
either while retaining their privileges. Visiting newspaper 924

writers and editors may be allowed, temporarily, the privileges 925  
herein mentioned, but they must conform to the restrictions 926  
prescribed. 927

The application required by the above rule shall be 928  
authenticated in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the 929  
Executive Committee of the Ohio Legislative Correspondents' 930  
Association, who shall see that the privileges of the floor be 931  
granted to representatives of the press association serving 932  
newspapers of general circulation, bona fide correspondents of 933  
reputable standing in their profession who represent newspapers of 934  
general circulation or magazines, or representatives of daily 935  
legislative information services of known standing and integrity, 936  
or their affiliates; organized for that one purpose and not 937  
controlled by or connected with an association, firm, corporation, 938  
or individual representing any trade, profession, or other 939  
commercial enterprise, and which have been in continuous and bona 940  
fide operation for such a period of years immediately prior to the 941  
date of making application for floor privileges as will have made 942  
possible the establishment of a reputation for honesty and 943  
integrity; and it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee of 944  
the Ohio Legislative Correspondents' Association, at its 945  
discretion, to report violations of the privileges herein granted, 946  
to the Committee on Rules. 947

Rule ~~109~~ 111. (Representative of Radio and Television 948  
Stations and Broadcasting Networks, How Admitted.) Representatives 949  
of radio and television stations and broadcasting networks 950  
desiring the privileges of the radio and television area of the 951  
Senate floor shall make application to the President, and shall 952  
state, in writing, by what stations or broadcasting network they 953  
are employed; and further shall state that they are not engaged in 954  
the promotion of legislation or the prosecution of claims pending 955  
before the General Assembly, and will not become so engaged while 956

allowed the privileges of the floor; and that they are not in any 957  
sense, the agents or representatives of persons or corporations 958  
having legislation before the General Assembly, and will not 959  
become either while retaining their privileges. Visiting 960  
correspondents and editors may be allowed, temporarily, the 961  
privileges herein mentioned, but they must conform to the 962  
restrictions prescribed. 963

The application required by the above rule shall be 964  
authenticated in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Radio 965  
and Television Correspondents' Association of Ohio. It shall be 966  
the duty of the Radio and Television Correspondents' Association 967  
of Ohio to see that the privileges of the floor shall be granted 968  
only to the representatives of stations and broadcasting networks 969  
serving radio and television stations, or networks serving such 970  
radio and television stations as have been duly licensed by the 971  
Federal Communications Commission. It shall be the duty of the 972  
Radio and Television Correspondents' Association of Ohio, at their 973  
discretion, to report violations of the privileges herein granted 974  
to the President. Persons whose chief attention is not given to 975  
radio and television broadcasting shall not be entitled to the 976  
privileges of the floor. 977

Rule ~~110~~ 112. (Privileges, How Revoked.) Upon complaint that 978  
any person has abused the privileges granted the person under Rule 979  
~~108~~ 110 or ~~109~~ 111, such complaint shall be submitted to the 980  
standing Committee on Rules for investigation, and such Committee 981  
shall notify the person so charged of the time and place for 982  
hearing, and if such accusation be sustained, such person or 983  
persons, upon the report of the Committee, shall be debarred from 984  
the privileges theretofore granted. 985

Rule ~~111~~ 113. (Filming or Taping of the Senate.) Filming, 986  
video taping, or audio taping during the legislative session shall 987  
be done under the conditions designated by the President of the 988



Senate.	989
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.	990 991 992 993
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.	994 995 996 997 998
Rule <del>112</del> <u>114</u> . (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.	999 1000 1001 1002 1003 1004
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.	1005 1006 1007
Rule <del>113</del> <u>115</u> . (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.	1008 1009 1010 1011 1012 1013 1014 1015
Rule <del>114</del> <u>116</u> . (Application to <del>130th</del> <u>131st</u> General Assembly.) The Rules of the Senate for the <del>129th</del> <u>130th</u> General Assembly shall be effective until the Senate of the <del>130th</del> <u>131st</u> General Assembly adopts Rules of the Senate for the <del>130th</del> <u>131st</u> General Assembly.	1016 1017 1018 1019