



Amendment #2 - Adequate Time to Review

Amended Version of the House Rules:

Rule 7B

The committee on Rules shall be authorized to originate and report special orders for the scheduling and consideration of legislation on the floor of the House, provided that the time during which amendments to any bill shall be considered in order shall not be less than 24 hours. Said committee shall not be subject to the notification provisions contained in Rule 17A but may hold public hearings and shall accept testimony only from the members of the House. A majority of the members appointed to the committee shall constitute a quorum. When reported, such orders may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, and shall be subject to approval by a majority of the members of the House present and voting. Debate on the question on adoption of such orders shall be limited to one hour. No orders adopted pursuant to this paragraph shall limit the powers of the Speaker as provided in Rules 1 to 6, inclusive. Such orders shall not be subject to reconsideration.

The committee on Rules shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule 17A, but may meet in private to discuss or consider the appointment, discipline or dismissal of any individual the committee is authorized by law or rule to appoint, discipline or dismiss.

Rule 33A

Copies of all bills shall be available, in the form in which they will be considered by the House, in a format to be determined by the Speaker in consultation with the Clerk, to all members of the House and the public at least 2472 hours in advance of consideration by the House. The House may consider a bill that has not been so available for at least 72 hours only upon a roll call vote of two-thirds of House members present and voting. This rule shall not be suspended unless by unanimous consent of the members present.

All amendments offered by members to any legislative matter in the House shall be submitted in a format to be determined by the Speaker in consultation with the Clerk; and shall be considered chronologically as submitted to the Clerk, except for an amendment in the second degree; provided that all of said amendments shall be drafted in proper form acceptable to the clerk; and provided further that there shall be available to the members a duplicate copy of each amendment.