

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 3—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS,
PROCEDURES, AND ETHICS

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SUMMARY—Adopts Assembly Standing Rules for 70th legislative session. (BDR R-1264)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Adopting the Standing Rules of the Assembly for the 70th legislative session.

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the Assembly Standing Rules as amended by the 69th session are adopted, with the following changes, as the Standing Rules of the Assembly for the 70th session of the Legislature:

I. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Rule No. 1. Speaker of the Assembly.

1. All officers of the Assembly are subordinate to the Speaker in all that relates to the prompt, efficient and correct discharge of their official duties under *the* Speaker's supervision.

2. Possessing the powers and performing the duties described in this rule, the Speaker shall:

(a) Take the chair at the hour to which the Assembly stands adjourned, call the members to order, and upon the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business.

(b) Preserve order and decorum and have general direction of the chamber of the Assembly and the approaches thereto. ~~[, and in]~~ *In* the event of any disturbance or disorderly conduct therein, order the same to be cleared.

(c) Decide all questions of order, subject to a member's right to appeal to the Assembly. On appeal from such decisions, the Speaker has the right, in the Speaker's place, to assign the reason for the decision.

(d) Have the right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution ~~{shall}~~ **must** not extend beyond one legislative day.

(e) When the Assembly resolves itself into Committee of the Whole, name a chairman to preside thereover and call him to the chair.

(f) Have the power to accredit the persons who act as representatives of the ~~{press, radio and television,}~~ **news media** and assign them seats.

(g) Sign all bills and resolutions passed by the Legislature as provided by law.

(h) Sign all subpoenas issued by the Assembly or any committee thereof.

(i) Receive all messages and communications from other departments of the government and announce them to the Assembly.

(j) Represent the Assembly, declare its will and in all things obey its commands.

(k) Vote on final passage of a bill or resolution, but the Speaker shall not be required to vote in ordinary legislative proceedings except where the Speaker's vote would be decisive. In all ~~{aye and no}~~ **yea and nay** votes, the Speaker's name ~~{shall}~~ **must** be called last.

3. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Speaker, through death, resignation or disability of the Speaker, the Speaker pro Tempore shall temporarily and for the period of vacancy or disability conduct the necessary business of the Assembly.

4. If a permanent vacancy occurs in the office of Speaker, the Assembly shall select a new Speaker.

Rule No. 2. Reserved.

Rule No. 3. Reserved.

Rule No. 4. Reserved.

Rule No. 5. Reserved.

Rule No. 6. Reserved.

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II. SESSIONS AND MEETINGS

Rule No. 10. Time of Meeting.

The Assembly shall meet each day at 11 a.m., unless the Assembly adjourns to some other hour.

Rule No. 11. Open Meetings.

All meetings of the Assembly and its standing committees ~~{shall}~~ **must** be open to the public.

Rule No. 12. Reserved.

1 The next rule is 20.

2 **III. DECORUM AND DEBATE**

3 4 **Rule No. 20. Points of Order.**

5 If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the rules of the
6 Assembly, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call to order, in which
7 case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless
8 permitted to explain; and if called to order by a member, such member shall
9 immediately state the point of order. If the point of order be sustained by
10 the presiding officer, the member shall not be allowed to proceed; but if it
11 be not sustained, then he shall be permitted to go on. Every such decision
12 from the presiding officer shall be subject to an appeal to the House; but no
13 discussion of the question of order shall be allowed unless an appeal be
14 taken from the decision of the presiding officer.

15 **Rule No. 21. Reserved.**

16 **Rule No. 22. Reserved.**

17 **Rule No. 23. Committee on Ethics; Legislative Ethics.**

18 1. The Committee on Ethics consists of:

19 (a) Two members of the Assembly appointed by the Speaker from the
20 majority political party;

21 (b) One member of the Assembly appointed by the Minority Leader
22 from the minority political party; and

23 (c) Two qualified electors of the state chosen by the members of the
24 committee who are appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b), neither of
25 whom is a present or former member of the Legislature or employed by the
26 State of Nevada.

27 2. The Speaker shall appoint two members of the Assembly, one from
28 the majority political party and one from the minority political party to
29 serve as alternate members of the committee. If a member is disqualified,
30 the alternate appointed from the same political party shall serve as a
31 member of the committee during the consideration of a specific question.

32 3. A member is disqualified if he is the requester of advice concerning
33 a question of ethics or conflict of interest, or if the advice is requested by
34 another member of the Assembly and a reasonable person in his situation
35 could not exercise independent judgment on the matter in question.

36 4. The committee shall hear complaints on alleged breaches of ethics
37 and conflicts of interest, brought by Legislators and others, and it may
38 advise Legislators on questions of breaches of ethics and conflicts of
39 interest. All proceedings held to consider the character, alleged misconduct,
40 professional competence or physical or mental health of any person by the
41 committee on matters of ethics or conflicts of interest are confidential
42 unless a Legislator:

43 (a) Against whom a complaint is brought requests a public hearing;

1 (b) Discloses the opinion of the committee at any time after his hearing;
2 or

3 (c) Discloses the content of an advisory opinion issued to him by the
4 committee.

5 5. A complaint which alleges a breach of ethics or a conflict of interest
6 must be in writing and signed by the person making the allegation. The
7 complaint must be filed with the chairman. The chairman shall send a copy
8 of the complaint, within 24 hours after receiving it, to the Legislator against
9 whom the complaint is brought.

10 6. The criterion to be applied by the committee in determining whether
11 a Legislator has a conflict of interest is whether the independence of
12 judgment of a reasonable person in his position upon the matter in question
13 would be materially affected by:

14 (a) His acceptance of a gift or loan; or

15 (b) His private economic interest.

16 7. A Legislator who determines that he has a conflict of interest may
17 vote upon, advocate or oppose any measure as to which a potential conflict
18 exists if he makes a general disclosure of the conflict. In determining
19 whether to vote upon, advocate or oppose the measure, the Legislator
20 should consider whether:

21 (a) The conflict impedes his independence of judgment;

22 (b) His participation will produce a negative effect on the public's
23 confidence in the integrity of the Legislature;

24 (c) His participation is likely to have any significant effect on the
25 disposition of the measure; and

26 (d) His interest is greater than the interests of an entire class of persons
27 similarly situated.

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29 The next rule is 30.

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IV. QUORUM, VOTING, ELECTIONS

33 Rule No. 30. Manner of Voting.

34 1. The presiding officer shall declare all votes, but the ~~{ayes and noes~~
35 ~~shall}~~ **yeas and nays must** be taken when called for by three members
36 present, and the names of those calling for the ~~{ayes and noes shall}~~ **yeas**
37 **and nays must** be entered in the Journal by the Chief Clerk.

38 2. The presiding officer shall call for ~~{ayes and noes}~~ **yeas and nays** by
39 a division or by a roll call, either electronic or oral.

40 3. When taking the ~~{ayes and noes}~~ **yeas and nays** on any question, the
41 electronic roll call system may be used, and when so used shall have the
42 force and effect of any roll call under these rules.

4. When taking the ~~{ayes and noes}~~ *yeas and nays* by oral roll call, the Chief Clerk shall take the names of members alphabetically, except that the ~~{Speaker shall}~~ *Speaker's name must* be called last.

5. The electronic roll call system may be used to determine the presence of a quorum.

6. The ~~{ayes and noes shall}~~ *yeas and nays must* not be taken with the electronic roll call system until all members present are at their desks. The presiding officer may vote at the rostrum.

7. Only a member, certified by the Committee on Credentials or special committee of the Assembly, may cast a vote in the Assembly. A member shall not vote for another member on any roll call, either electronic or oral. Any member who votes for another member may be punished in any manner deemed appropriate by the Assembly.

Rule No. 31. Reserved.

Rule No. 32. Announcement of the Vote.

1. A member may change his vote at any time before the announcement of the vote if the voting is by voice, or at any time before the votes are electronically recorded if the voting is conducted electronically.

2. The announcement of the result of any vote shall not be postponed.

Rule No. 33. Voting by Division.

Upon a division and count of the Assembly on any question, no person without the bar shall be counted.

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V. LEGISLATIVE BODIES

Rule No. 40. Standing Committees.

The standing committees of the Assembly are as follows:

1. Ways and Means, ~~{fifteen}~~ *fourteen* members.
2. Judiciary, fourteen members.
3. Taxation, ~~{eleven}~~ *thirteen* members.
4. Education, ~~{thirteen}~~ *twelve* members.
5. Elections, Procedures, and Ethics, nine members.
6. Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, ~~{eleven}~~ *thirteen* members.
7. ~~{Labor and Management, nine members.}~~
8. Transportation, ~~{nine}~~ *thirteen* members.
9. Commerce ~~{, eleven}~~ *and Labor, fourteen* members.
10. Health and Human Services, ~~{ten}~~ *twelve* members.
11. Government Affairs, fourteen members.
12. ~~{Infrastructure, eleven members.}~~
11. *Constitutional Amendments, seven members.*

Rule No. 41. Appointment of Committees.

1. Except as otherwise provided in Assembly Standing Rule No. 23, all committees must be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise directed by the Assembly. The Speaker shall designate the chairman and vice chairman of each committee.

2. To facilitate the full participation of the members during an adjournment called pursuant to NRS 218.115, the Speaker may temporarily appoint a member to a standing committee that is scheduled to meet during the adjournment if none of the committees to which the member is regularly assigned will be meeting during the adjournment.

Rule No. 42. Committee Action.

1. The committee shall have regular meetings scheduled by the Assembly leadership. A quorum of the committee is a majority of its members and may transact business except as limited by this rule.

2. Motions may be moved, seconded and passed by voice vote by a simple majority of those present.

3. Definite action on a bill or resolution will require a majority of the entire committee.

4. A two-thirds majority of all the committee is required to reconsider action on a bill or resolution.

5. Committee introduction of legislative measures which are not prefiled requires concurrence of two-thirds of the committee and does not imply commitment to support final passage.

6. The chairman shall vote on all final action regarding bills or resolutions.

7. No member of the committee may vote by proxy under any circumstances.

Rule No. 43. Subcommittees.

Subcommittees made up of committee members may be appointed by the chairman to consider and report back on specific subjects or bills.

Rule No. 44. Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics.

The Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics has jurisdiction over matters relating to personnel. It shall recommend by resolution the appointment of all attachés and employees of the Assembly not otherwise provided for by law. It may suspend or remove any such attaché or employee for incompetency or dereliction of duty. It shall function as the Committee on Rules and as the Committee on Credentials of the Assembly.

Rule No. 45. Procedure for Election Contests.

1. Upon receipt of a statement of contest from the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 293.427, the Speaker shall, as soon as practicable, appoint a special committee to hear the contest or refer the contest to the Standing Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics. The committee shall conduct a hearing to consider the contest. The committee shall keep written

1 minutes of the hearing. The contestant has the burden of proving that any
2 irregularities shown were of such a nature as to establish that the result of
3 the election was changed thereby.

4 2. The contest must be submitted so far as may be possible upon
5 depositions or by written or oral arguments as the Assembly may order.
6 Any party to a contest may take the deposition of any witness at any time
7 after the statement of contest is filed with the Secretary of State and before
8 the contest is finally decided. At least 3 days' notice must be given to the
9 prospective deponent and to the other party. If oral statements are made at
10 any hearing before the Assembly or a committee thereof which purport to
11 establish matters of fact, they must be made under oath. Strict rules of
12 evidence do not apply.

13 3. The committee shall, not later than 5 calendar days after the contest
14 was referred to the committee, report to the Assembly its findings on
15 whether the contestant has met the burden of proving that any irregularities
16 shown were of such a nature as to establish that the result of the election
17 was changed thereby. The committee shall then report to the Assembly its
18 recommendation on which person should be declared elected or report that
19 it has no recommendation. The Assembly shall, as soon as practicable
20 thereafter but not later than 7 calendar days after the Speaker received the
21 statement of contest, vote whether to accept or reject the committee's
22 recommendation without amendment, if a recommendation is made. If the
23 recommendation is accepted, the Speaker shall declare the recommended
24 person elected. If the recommendation is rejected or the committee did not
25 make a recommendation, the Assembly shall consider immediately which
26 person should be declared elected. The Speaker shall not adjourn the
27 Assembly until it has declared a person to be elected.

28 4. The Speaker shall inform the Governor of the identity of the person
29 declared to be elected by the Assembly.

30 **Rule No. 46. Committee Action on Reports.**

31 Committee reports ~~{shall}~~ **must** be adopted at a committee session
32 actually assembled and meeting as a committee with a quorum present.
33 Every committee vote on a matter pertaining to a bill or resolution ~~{shall}~~
34 **must** be recorded. The vote may be taken by roll call at the discretion of the
35 chairman.

36 **Rule No. 47. Committee Records.**

37 The chairman of each committee shall keep, or cause to be kept, a
38 complete record of the committee proceedings in which there ~~{shall}~~ **must**
39 be entered:

40 1. The time and place of each meeting;

41 2. The attendance and absence of members;

3. The names of all persons appearing before the committee, with the names of persons, firms, corporations or associations in whose behalf such appearance is made; and

4. The subjects or measures considered and action taken.

Rule No. 48. Disposition of Committee Records.

All minutes, records and documents in the possession of committees and their chairmen ~~{shall}~~ **must** be filed in the offices of the Legislative Counsel Bureau upon adjournment sine die.

Rule No. 49. Committee Hearings.

~~{A public hearing must be held on each bill and resolution which is referred to committee.}~~ The presence of a quorum of the committee is desirable but not required ~~{}~~ **to conduct a public hearing**. Public hearings are opened by the chairman who announces the subject under consideration and provides for those wishing to address the committee to be heard. These persons shall rise in an order determined by the chairman, address the chair and furnish their names, addresses and firms or other organizations represented. Committee members may address the chairman for permission to question the witness. When all persons present have been heard, the chairman may declare closed the portion of the meeting wherein the committee will accept public testimony on the matter before proceeding to other matters.

Rule No. 50. Reserved.

Rule No. 51. Reserved.

Rule No. 52. Concurrent Referrals.

When a bill or resolution is referred to two committees, the bill or resolution must go to the first committee named. If the first committee votes to amend the bill or resolution, it must be reprinted with amendments and then returned to the first committee or sent immediately to the next committee. If there is no amendment proposed by the first committee, or if the first committee acts upon the bill or resolution after amendment, the bill or resolution must be sent with the committee recommendation immediately to the second committee.

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VI. RULES GOVERNING MOTIONS

Rule No. 60. Entertaining.

No motion ~~{shall be debated until the same be}~~ **may be debated until it is** distinctly announced by the presiding officer. ~~{; and it shall be reduced to writing, if}~~ **If** desired by the presiding officer or any member, **the motion must be reduced to writing** and be read by the Chief Clerk before the ~~{same}~~

~~shall be~~ **motion is** debated. A motion may be withdrawn by the maker at any time before amendment or before the motion is put to vote.

Rule No. 61. Reserved.

Rule No. 62. Reserved.

PARTICULAR MOTIONS

Rule No. 63. Reserved.

Rule No. 64. Reserved.

Rule No. 65. Indefinite Postponement.

When a question is postponed indefinitely, the same ~~{shall}~~ **question must** not be considered again during the session and the question ~~{shall not be}~~ **is not** subject to a motion for reconsideration.

Rule No. 66. To Strike Enacting Clause.

A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill or resolution ~~{shall}~~ **does** not take precedence over any other subsidiary motion. If the motion is carried, it shall be considered equivalent to the rejection of such bill or resolution.

Rule No. 67. Division of Question.

Any member may call for a division of the question, which shall be divided, if it comprehends propositions in substance so distinct that, one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the Assembly. A motion to strike out being lost shall preclude neither amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

Rule No. 68. To Reconsider—Precedence of.

A motion to reconsider shall have precedence over every other motion, except a motion to adjourn, or to fix the time to which to adjourn; and when the Assembly adjourns, while a motion to reconsider is pending, or before passing the order **of business** of Motions ~~{and Resolutions,}~~ **Resolutions and Notices**, the right to move a reconsideration shall continue to the next day of sitting. No notice of reconsideration of any final vote shall be in order on the day preceding the last day of the session.

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VII. DEBATE

Rule No. 80. Speaking on Question.

No member shall speak more than twice during the consideration of any one question, on the same day, and at the same stage of proceedings, without leave. Members who have once spoken shall not again be entitled

1 to the floor (except for explanation) to the exclusion of others who have not
2 spoken.

3 **Rule No. 81. Previous Question.**

4 The previous question shall be put only when demanded by three
5 members. The previous question shall not be moved by the member last
6 speaking on the question.

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10 **VIII. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS**

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12 **A. RULES AND PROCEDURE**

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14 **Rule No. 90. Mason's Manual.**

15 The rules of parliamentary practice contained in Mason's Manual of
16 Legislative Procedure shall govern the Assembly in all cases in which they
17 are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Standing
18 Rules and orders of the Assembly, and the Joint Rules of the Senate and
19 Assembly.

20 **Rule No. 91. Suspension of Rule.**

21 No standing rule or order of the Assembly shall be rescinded or changed
22 without a vote of two-thirds of the members elected, and one day's notice
23 being given of the motion therefor; but a rule or order may be suspended
24 temporarily by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

25 **Rule No. 92. Notices of Bills, Topics and Public Hearings.**

26 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 ~~1~~:
27 ~~—(a) All~~, *all* committees shall provide *adequate* notice of public
28 hearings on bills, resolutions or *other* topics ~~of high public importance at~~
29 ~~least 5 calendar days before such hearings.~~
30 ~~—(b) Notice for public hearings on bills, resolutions and topics not~~
31 ~~deemed by the chairmen to be of high public importance must be provided~~
32 ~~at least 24 hours before such hearings.~~
33 ~~—(c) Notice shall also be provided for all other committee meetings at~~
34 ~~least 24 hours in advance of such meetings.~~
35 ~~Notices in all cases shall~~ *which are to come before the committees. The*
36 *notice must* include the date, time, place and agenda to be covered . ~~and~~
37 ~~shall~~ *The notice must* be posted conspicuously in the legislative building,
38 appear in the daily history and be made available to the ~~press.~~ *news*
39 *media*. The daily history must include the most current version of the notice
40 that is available at the time the daily history is created and an informational
41 statement informing the public where more current information, if any,
42 regarding such notices may be found.

2. The noticing requirements of this rule may be suspended for emergency situations but only after approval by a two-thirds vote of a committee.

3. Subsection 1 does not apply to:

(a) Committee meetings held on the floor of the Assembly during a recess; or

(b) Conference committee meetings.

Rule No. 93. Reserved.

Rule No. 94. Privilege of the Floor and Lobbying.

No person, except Senators, former Assemblymen and state officers, may be admitted at the bar of the Assembly, except by special invitation on the part of some member; but a majority may authorize the Speaker to have the Assembly cleared of all such persons. No person may do any lobbying upon the floor of the Assembly at any time, and it is the duty of the Sergeant at Arms to remove any person violating any of the provisions of this rule.

Rule No. 95. Material Placed on Legislators' Desks.

All papers, letters, notes, pamphlets and other written material placed upon an Assemblyman's desk shall contain the signature of the Legislator requesting the placement of such material on the desk or shall contain a designation of the origin of such material. This rule does not apply to books containing the legislative bills and resolutions, the legislative daily histories, the legislative daily journals or Legislative Counsel Bureau material.

Rule No. 96. Peddling, *Begging* and Soliciting.

Peddling, begging and soliciting are strictly forbidden in the Assembly Chamber, and in the lobby, gallery and halls adjacent thereto. ~~and no~~ *No* part of said chamber or halls ~~shall~~ *may* be used for, or occupied by signs or other devices for any kind of advertising.

Rule No. 97. Petitions and Memorials.

Petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the Assembly, shall be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in the Speaker's place. A brief statement of the contents thereof shall be made by the introducer. They shall not be debated on the day of their being presented, but shall be on the table, or be referred, as the Assembly shall determine.

Rule No. 98. Request of Purpose.

A member may request the purpose of a bill or joint resolution upon its introduction.

Rule No. 99. Remarks.

It shall be in order for members to make remarks and to have such remarks entered in the Journal.

Rule No. 100. Precedence of Parliamentary Authority.

1 The precedence of parliamentary authority in the Assembly ~~{shall be as~~
2 ~~follows:}~~ **is:**

3 1. The Constitution of the State of Nevada.

4 2. The Statutes of the State of Nevada.

5 3. The Standing Rules of the Assembly and the Joint Standing Rules of
6 the Senate and Assembly.

7 4. Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure.

8 **Rule No. 101. Reserved.**

9 **Rule No. 102. Reserved.**

10 **Rule No. 103. Reserved.**

11 12 **B. BILLS**

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14 **Rule No. 104. Reserved.**

15 **Rule No. 105. Substitute Bills.**

16 A substitute bill shall be deemed and held to be an amendment, and
17 treated in all respects as such. However, a substitute bill may be amended
18 after its adoption, in the same manner as if it were an original bill.

19 **Rule No. 106. Skeleton Bills.**

20 The introduction of skeleton bills is authorized ~~{after the beginning of a~~
21 ~~session}~~ when, in the opinion of the sponsor and the Legislative Counsel,
22 the full drafting of the bill would entail extensive research or be of
23 considerable length. A skeleton bill will be provided for purposes of
24 introduction and committee referral. Such **a** bill will be a presentation of
25 ideas or statements of purpose, sufficient in style and expression to enable
26 the Legislature and the committee to which the bill may be referred to
27 consider the substantive merits of the legislation proposed. ~~{The committee,~~
28 ~~if it treats the skeleton bill favorably, shall then request the draft of a~~
29 ~~completed bill in such detail as would afford the committee the opportunity~~
30 ~~of considering the legislative ideas proposed in context with all their~~
31 ~~necessary ramifications.}~~

32 **Rule No. 107. Reserved.**

33 **Rule No. 108. Reserved.**

34 **Rule No. 109. Reading of Bills.**

35 The presiding officer shall announce at each reading of a bill whether it
36 be the first, second or third reading. The first reading of a bill shall be for
37 information. If there is objection, the question shall be, "Shall the bill be
38 rejected?" If the question to reject fails to receive a majority vote by the
39 members present, or if there is no objection, the bill shall take the proper
40 course. No bill shall be referred to a committee until after the first reading,
41 nor amended until after the second reading.

42 **Rule No. 110. Second Reading and Amendment of Bills.**

1 1. All bills ~~{shall}~~ **must** be read the second time on the first legislative
2 day after which they are reported by committee, unless a different day is
3 designated by motion. Upon second reading, Assembly bills reported
4 without amendments shall be placed on the General File and Senate bills
5 reported without amendments shall be placed on the General File.
6 Committee amendments reported with bills shall be considered upon their
7 second reading, and such amendments may be adopted by a majority vote
8 of the members present. Any amendment which is numbered, copied and
9 made available to all members ~~{shall}~~ **must** be moved and voted upon by
10 number unless any member moves that it be read in full. Assembly bills so
11 amended ~~{shall}~~ **must** be reprinted, engrossed, and placed on the General
12 File . ~~{, and}~~ Senate bills so amended ~~{shall}~~ **must** be reprinted, then
13 engrossed or reengrossed, as applicable, and placed on the General File.
14 2. Any member may move to amend a bill during its second or third
15 reading, and such **a** motion to amend may be adopted by a majority vote of
16 the members present. Bills so amended on second reading ~~{shall}~~ **must** be
17 treated the same as bills with committee amendments. Any bill so amended
18 upon the General File ~~{shall}~~ **must** be reprinted and then engrossed or
19 reengrossed, as applicable.

20 3. The reprinting of amended bills may be dispensed with only in
21 accordance with the provisions of law.

22 **Rule No. 111. Consent Calendar.**

23 1. ~~{On or before the 80th calendar day of a regular session, a}~~ **A**
24 standing committee may by unanimous vote of the members present report
25 a bill with the recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar.
26 The question of recommending a bill for the consent calendar may be voted
27 upon in committee only after the bill has been recommended for passage
28 and only if no amendment is recommended.

29 2. The Chief Clerk shall maintain a list of bills recommended for the
30 consent calendar. The list must be printed in the daily history and must
31 include the summary of each bill, and the date the bill is scheduled for
32 consideration on final passage.

33 3. ~~{Unless postponed by motion, the consent calendar must be~~
34 ~~considered on Monday and Thursday. A bill reported on Friday to Monday,~~
35 ~~inclusive, is eligible to be considered on the following Thursday; a bill~~
36 ~~reported on Tuesday to Thursday, inclusive, is eligible to be considered on~~
37 ~~the following Monday.~~

38 ~~—4.~~ At any time before the presiding officer calls for a vote on the
39 passage of the consent calendar, a member may give written notice to the
40 Chief Clerk or state orally from the floor of the Assembly in session that he
41 objects to the inclusion of a particular bill on the consent calendar. If a
42 member so objects, the Chief Clerk shall remove the bill from the consent

1 calendar and transfer it to the second reading file. A bill removed from the
2 consent calendar may not be restored to that calendar.

3 ~~{5-}~~ 4. During floor consideration of the consent calendar, members
4 may ask questions and offer explanations relating to the respective bills.

5 ~~{6-}~~ 5. When the consent calendar is brought to a vote, the bills
6 remaining on the consent calendar must be read by number and summary
7 and the vote must be taken on their final passage as a group.

8 **Rule No. 112. Reserved.**

9 **Rule No. 113. General File.**

10 All bills reported to the Assembly, by either standing or special
11 committees, after receiving their second readings ~~{shall}~~ **must** be placed
12 upon a General File, to be kept by the Chief Clerk. No bill shall be
13 considered by the Assembly until the regular order of business shall have
14 been gone through. Then bills shall be taken from the General File and
15 acted upon in the order in which they were reported, unless otherwise
16 specially ordered by the Assembly. But engrossed bills shall be placed at
17 the head of the file, in the order in which they are received. The Chief Clerk
18 shall post, in a conspicuous place in the chamber, a daily statement of the
19 bills on the General File, setting forth the order in which they are filed, and
20 specifying the alterations arising from the disposal of business each day.
21 The Chief Clerk shall likewise post notices of special orders as made.

22 **Rule No. 114. Reserved.**

23 **Rule No. 115. Reconsideration of Vote on Bill.**

24 On the first legislative day that the Assembly is in session succeeding
25 that on which a final vote on any bill or resolution has been taken, a vote
26 may be reconsidered on the motion of any member. Notice of intention to
27 move such reconsideration ~~{shall}~~ **must** be given on the day on which
28 ~~{such}~~ **the** final vote was taken by a member voting with the prevailing
29 party. It ~~{shall not be}~~ **is not** in order for any member to move a
30 reconsideration on the day on which ~~{such}~~ **the** final vote was taken, except
31 by unanimous consent. ~~{But there shall}~~ **There may** be no reconsideration
32 of a vote on a motion to indefinitely postpone. Motions to reconsider a vote
33 upon amendments to any pending question may be made at once.

34 **Rule No. 116. Reserved.**

35 **Rule No. 117. Reserved.**

36 37 C. RESOLUTIONS

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39 **Rule No. 118. Treated as Bills—Joint Resolutions.**

40 The procedure of enacting joint resolutions ~~{shall}~~ **must** be identical to
41 that of enacting bills. However, joint resolutions proposing amendments to
42 the Constitution ~~{shall}~~ **must** be entered in the Journal in their entirety.

43 **Rule**

No. 119. Reserved.

Rule No. 120. Order of Business.

The Order of Business must be as follows:

1. ~~{Roll-Call.}~~ **Call to Order.**
2. Reading and Approval of Journal.
3. Presentation of Petitions.
4. Reports of Standing Committees.
5. Reports of Select Committees.
6. Communications.
7. Messages from the Senate.
8. Motions, Resolutions and Notices.
9. Introduction, First Reading and Reference.
10. Consent Calendar.
11. Second Reading and Amendment.
12. General File and Third Reading.
13. Unfinished Business of Preceding Day.
14. Special Orders of the Day.
15. Remarks from the Floor, limited to 10 minutes.

Rule No. 121. Reserved.

Rule No. 122. Privileged Questions.

Privileged questions ~~{shall}~~ have precedence of all others in the following order:

1. Motions to fix the time to which the Assembly shall adjourn.
2. Motions to adjourn.
3. Questions relating to the rights and privileges of the Assembly or any of its members.
4. A call of the House.
5. Motions for special orders.

Rule No. 123. Privilege of Closing Debate.

The author of a bill, resolution or a main question shall have the privilege of closing the debate, unless the previous question has been sustained.

Rule No. 124. Reserved.

Rule No. 125. Reserved.

Rule No. 126. Vetoed Bills.

Bills which have passed both Houses of the Legislature and are transmitted to the Assembly accompanied by a message or statement of the Governor's disapproval or veto of the same, ~~{shall}~~ **must** be taken up and considered immediately upon the coming in of the message transmitting the same, or ~~{shall}~~ become the subject of a special order . ~~{, and when}~~ **When** the message is received, or (if made a special order) when the special order is called, the said message or statement ~~{shall}~~ **must** be read together with the bill or bills so disapproved or vetoed . ~~{, and the}~~ **The** message and bill ~~{shall}~~ **must** be read by the Chief Clerk without interruption, consecutively, one following the other, and not upon separate occasions . ~~{, and no}~~ **No**

1 such bill or message ~~{shall}~~ *may* be referred to any committee, or otherwise
2 acted upon save as provided by law and custom; that is to say, that
3 immediately following such reading the only question (except as
4 hereinafter stated) which ~~{shall}~~ *may* be put by the Speaker is, “Shall the
5 bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?” It shall not be in
6 order, at any time, to vote upon such *a* vetoed bill unless the same shall first
7 have been read, from the first word of its title to and including the last word
8 of its final section . ~~{; and no motion shall}~~ *No motion may* be entertained
9 after the Speaker has stated the question, save a motion to adjourn or a
10 motion for the previous question, but the merits of the bill itself may be
11 debated. The message or statement containing the objections of the
12 Governor to the bill ~~{shall}~~ *must* be entered upon the Journal of the
13 Assembly. The consideration of a vetoed bill, and the objections of the
14 Governor thereto, shall be a privileged question, and shall take precedence
15 over all others.

16 **Rule No. 127. Reserved.**

17 **Rule No. 128. Reserved.**

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19 The next rule is 140.

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21 IX. LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS

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23 **Rule No. 140. Compensation of Witnesses.**

24 Witnesses summoned to appear before the Assembly or any of its
25 committees ~~{shall}~~ *must* be compensated as provided by law for witnesses
26 required to attend in the courts of the State of Nevada.

27 **Rule No. 141. Use of the Assembly Chamber.**

28 The Assembly Chamber shall not be used for any public or private
29 business other than legislative, except by permission of the Assembly.