



General Assembly

**Senate Resolution No.  
121**

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Referred to Committee on No Committee

Introduced by:

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***RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE  
DECEMBER SPECIAL SESSION, 2019.***

Resolved by the Senate:

1 That the rules of the Senate at this Special Session shall be the same  
2 as the rules of the Senate in force at the 2019 regular session, except as  
3 said rules are amended, altered or repealed in this resolution.

4 Strike out Rules 7, 9, 13, 17 and 18 and insert in lieu thereof the  
5 following:

6 9. A bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the  
7 general statutes, if filed in the House, may be transmitted to and acted  
8 upon first by the Senate with the consent of the speaker; and if filed in  
9 the Senate, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the House  
10 with the consent of the President Pro Tempore.

11 Strike out Rule 19 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

12 19. The order of business shall be as follows:

13        1. Reception of communications from the Governor and the  
14        Secretary of the State.

15        2. Introduction of bills and resolutions.

16        3. Reception of business from the House.

17        4. Introduction of guests.

18        Strike out Rule 29 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

19        29. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received  
20        except:

21        1. To adjourn.

22        2. To recess.

23        3. For the previous question.

24        4. To close the debate at a specified time.

25        5. To pass temporarily.

26        6. To pass retain.

27        7. To postpone to a certain time.

28        8. To divide the question.

29        9. To amend.

30        10. To postpone indefinitely.

31        These several motions shall have precedence in the order listed in  
32        this rule, and no motion to continue to the next General Assembly or to  
33        postpone indefinitely, having been once decided, shall be again  
34        allowed at the same session and at the same state of the bill or subject  
35        matter.

36 Strike out Rule 30 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

37 30. Amendments shall be filed with the clerk of the Senate.

38 Any member who offers an amendment, originating in the Senate  
39 which, if adopted, would reduce state revenues or increase state  
40 expenditures by a specified amount or which would involve a  
41 significant fiscal impact, shall make available to the president,  
42 president pro tempore, the majority leader of the Senate and the  
43 minority leader of the Senate at the time the amendment is offered, in  
44 addition to a fiscal note, a signed and typewritten explanation, of the  
45 decrease in expenditures or the source of the increased revenues  
46 required to balance the state budget.

47 Whenever a bill is substantively amended, it may be referred to the  
48 legislative commissioners to be re-examined for the purposes set forth  
49 in Rule 13 of the Joint Rules for the 2019 regular session and to be  
50 reprinted as amended. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall  
51 complete its examination of any such bill within three calendar days of  
52 its receipt. The bill shall then be transmitted to the clerk.

53 Add a new Rule 37 as follows:

54 37. Only those bills and substantive resolutions specified in  
55 paragraph 1 of Rule 7 of the Joint Rules for this Special Session,  
56 certified as provided in Rule 9 of said Joint Rules, and, except as  
57 provided in Rule 33 of said Joint Rules, only those resolutions  
58 pertaining to the rules of this Special Session, the printing of the  
59 journals of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and the  
60 expenses of this Special Session, shall be received.