

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF JOINT RULE 206

1 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Joint Rule 206 is amended as follows:

2 **206. Consent calendar.**

- 3 1. Each standing committee may report an uncontested bill or resolution or a contested
4 resolution out of committee and may include in its report a recommendation for
5 placement on the consent calendar.
- 6 2. As used in this rule, "uncontested bill or resolution" means any bill or resolution,
7 except a bill providing an appropriation, which receives a do pass, do pass as
8 amended, or do not pass recommendation from the committee of referral, by
9 unanimous vote of the members present provided a quorum is present. As used in this
10 rule, "contested resolution" means any resolution that receives a do pass or do pass
11 as amended recommendation from the committee of referral, by any vote other than a
12 unanimous vote of the members present provided a quorum is present.
- 13 3. Following the presentation of a committee report recommending placement on the
14 consent calendar, all bills or resolutions recommended by the committee for placement
15 on the consent calendar must be placed on the consent calendar.
- 16 4. AAn uncontested resolution or a resolution directing a Legislative Management study
17 which receives a do pass or do pass as amended recommendation from the
18 committee of referral must be placed on the consent calendar, regardless of whether
19 the committee report recommends placement on the consent calendar.
- 20 5. Any consent calendar bill or resolution that is amended from the floor must be taken
21 off the consent calendar and must be placed on the regular calendar.
- 22 6. Upon objection of any member to the placement or retention of any uncontested bill or
23 resolution, any contested resolution, or any Legislative Management study resolution
24 on the consent calendar, the bill or resolution must be taken off the consent calendar
25 and must be placed on the regular calendar.

NOTE: This proposed amendment is in response to the following "Rules Questions or
Inquiries That Arose During the 2011 Legislative Session":

If a committee amends a resolution, it goes to the sixth order. If the committee vote is
unanimous, should the resolution go to the 10th order (consent calendar) or the 11th order
after the sixth.

Senate and House Rules 601 do not direct placement of reports on the consent calendar, other than "the amended measure must then be placed on the calendar for the next legislative day under the applicable order of business for second reading and final passage." The "applicable order of business" could include the 10th order (consent calendar), 11th order (second reading in house of origin), or 14th order (second reading in second house).

To address the issue raised, the proposed amendment places "uncontested" (unanimous) resolutions on the consent calendar regardless of whether that was a recommendation of the standing committee, similar to how the Legislative Management study resolutions are to be placed on the consent calendar. An uncontested resolution includes a resolution receiving a "do pass" or "do pass as amended" recommendation.