



2013 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 22

December 20, 2013 - Introduced by Representatives POPE, WACHS, SARGENT, C. TAYLOR, HEBL, KESSLER, HESSELBEIN, SINICKI, DOYLE, OHNSTAD, BERCEAU, VRUWINK and BERNARD SCHABER. Referred to Committee on Assembly Organization.

- 1 **To renumber** assembly rule 17d; and **to create** assembly rule 14 (5) and (6),
2 assembly rule 17d (2), assembly rule 33m and assembly rule 48m; **relating to:**
3 the assembly rules.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This resolution makes all of the following changes to the assembly rules:

1. The resolution prohibits the assembly from voting on any proposal between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.
2. The resolution prohibits the assembly from voting on any proposal unless the proposal was introduced or offered at least 72 hours before the vote. In addition, the resolution provides that the assembly may not vote on a proposal unless the proposal has been made available to the public for at least 24 hours before the vote. Proposals may be made available to the public by posting the proposal on the legislature's Internet site. The resolution further provides that if the assembly fails to comply with either of these requirements, the vote on the proposal is considered void and of no legal effect.
3. The resolution provides that public notice of a public hearing shall be given at least 48 hours before the commencement of the public hearing.
4. The resolution provides that an assembly committee may not vote to recommend passage of a proposal unless the committee has conducted a public hearing on the proposal. This provision does not apply to joint committees of the legislature.
5. The resolution provides that all assembly committees, other than the committee on rules and the committee on assembly organization, must hold a

meeting whenever executive action on a proposal is taken and that any executive action on a proposal requires an affirmative vote of a majority of committee members.

1 ***Resolved by the assembly, That:***

2 **SECTION 1.** Assembly rule 14 (5) and (6) are created to read:

3 ASSEMBLY RULE 14 (5) Public notice of a public hearing shall be given at least
4 48 hours before the commencement of the public hearing.

5 (6) A committee may not vote to recommend passage of a proposal unless the
6 committee has conducted a public hearing on the proposal. This subsection does not
7 apply to joint committees of the legislature.

8 **SECTION 2.** Assembly rule 17d is renumbered 17d (1).

9 **SECTION 3.** Assembly rule 17d (2) is created to read:

10 ASSEMBLY RULE 17d (2) A committee shall hold a meeting whenever executive
11 action on a proposal is taken and any executive action on a proposal requires an
12 affirmative vote of a majority of committee members. This subsection does not apply
13 to the committee on rules or the committee on assembly organization.

14 **SECTION 4.** Assembly rule 33m is created to read:

15 ASSEMBLY RULE 33m. **Hours for conducting legislative business.** The
16 assembly may not vote on any proposal between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.

17 **SECTION 5.** Assembly rule 48m is created to read:

18 ASSEMBLY RULE 48m. **Voting on proposals.** All of the following shall apply to
19 assembly votes on proposals:

20 (1) The assembly may not vote on a proposal unless the proposal was introduced
21 or offered at least 72 hours before the vote.

1 (2) The assembly may not vote on a proposal unless the proposal has been made
2 available to the public for at least 24 hours before the vote. Proposals may be made
3 available to the public by posting the proposal on the legislature's Internet site.

4 (3) If the assembly fails to comply with either sub. (1) or (2), the vote on that
5 proposal shall be considered void and of no legal effect.

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