2017 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 21

November 29, 2017 – Introduced by Representatives STEFFEN, ALLEN and BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

To amend assembly rule 39 (1); and to create assembly rule 24 (6) and assembly rule 39 (5); relating to: introduction of proposals in the assembly.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This resolution provides that no assembly member or standing committee may introduce proposals on any day of the biennial legislative session that occurs after the first Tuesday of December in the odd-numbered year. The resolution provides that the Committee on Rules may extend the deadline. Under the resolution, however, the new introduction restrictions do not apply to proposals introduced during and relating to a special or extraordinary session; proposals introduced by or referred to a joint committee of the legislature; and any resolution or joint resolution.

Currently, under assembly and joint rules, proposals may generally be introduced up until the close of the last general-business floorperiod scheduled for the session.

Resolved by the assembly, That:

SECTION 1. Assembly rule 24 (6) is created to read:

ASSEMBLY RULE 24 (6) The committee may extend the deadline for introduction of proposals by members and standing committees established under rule 39 (1).

SECTION 2. Assembly rule 39 (1) is amended to read:
ASSEMBLY RULE 39 (1) Except as otherwise provided in joint rule 83 (2) (5), rule 24 (6), and this subsection section, any member or standing committee may introduce or offer proposals in the assembly on any day of the biennial legislative session that occurs on or before the first Tuesday of December in the odd-numbered year. No member or standing committee may offer any assembly joint resolution or resolution memorializing Congress or any branch or officer of the federal government.

SECTION 3. Assembly rule 39 (5) is created to read:

ASSEMBLY RULE 39 (5) The deadline established for introduction of proposals under subsection (1) does not apply to:

(a) Proposals introduced during and relating to a special or extraordinary session.

(b) Proposals introduced by or referred to a joint committee of the legislature.

(c) Any resolution or joint resolution.

SECTION 4. Initial applicability.

(1) This resolution first applies to the introduction of proposals during the 2019-20 legislative session.

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