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S 1. 2007 PERMANENT SENATE RULES. Filed 1/24/07. *ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE REGULAR SESSIONS OF THE 2007 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.* Same as 2005 rules with the following exceptions: Amends Rule 14 to require leave of the Senate for a member to address the Senate from the Senate well (was, with the permission of the presiding officer). Amends Rule 17 to allow only members, their assistants, or members of the principal clerk's office or staff to place items related to the Senate's business, or food or beverages, on a member's chamber desk (was, allowed anyone that had applied for and obtained written permission from the principal clerk to place any items on a member's desk). Amends Rule 23 to add the President Pro Tem. to those allowed to move the previous question. Amends Rule 24 to allow the President Pro Tem. in the absence of the chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate (Rules chair), to make a motion to reconsider for the purpose of correcting grammatical errors in bills. Amends Rule 25 to prohibit a member from voting after the electronic voting machine locks and records the vote, the vote is announced, and the result is declared. Amends Rule 32 to eliminate the Homeland Security, Emergency Management and Military Affairs Committee. Amends Rule 40 to prohibit members from introducing more than two blank bills. Amends Rule 40.1 to set the following 2007 bill deadlines: local bills must be requested by February 27 and introduced by March 7; public bills must be requested by March 13 and filed by March 21. Amends Rule 41 to set the crossover bill deadline as May 17. Amends Rule 43 to allow the President Pro Tem. to refer bills to committee in the absence of the Rules chair. Amends Rule 56 to allow the President Pro Tem. and the Deputy President Pro Tem., in the absence of the Rules chair, to approve the enrolling clerk's corrections of typographical errors in bills. Amends Rule 56.1 to allow the President Pro Tem., in the absence of the Rules chair, to refer Senate bills that were amended in the House to a committee. Makes technical and conforming changes.

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