



HOUSE RESOLUTION 1230: Extend State of Emergency Rules/Modifications.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:

Introduced by: Rep. Lewis
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OVERVIEW: *House Resolution 1230 (1) reinstates House Resolution 1044 which contained the "COVID Session" modifications to the House Permanent Rules and 92) makes some modifications.*

CURRENT LAW: House Resolution 1044 was adopted on April 28, 2020. It made temporary changes to the House Permanent Rules. H1044 expired May 31, 2020.

BILL ANALYSIS: The propose committee substitute for House Resolution 1240 reinstates the provisions of H1044 with the following changes:

- Reduces the required window for in-person voting from 40 to 30 minutes.
- With regard to proxy voting, removes the limitation that the designated Leader may appoint another member to cast the votes only if the designated Leader has an excused absence. It also removes the requirement that the bill to be voted must have been on the calendar for at least 3 hours prior to the vote.
- Removes the requirement that a member must be in the chamber at the time the question is put in order to be able to vote other than in person.
- Removes several provisions that allowed bills to move more quickly including referral to a committee on the same day as introduction, calendaring a bill without first going to a committee, and same day calendaring of a bill that is given a favorable report by a committee.
- Reinstates the requirement that a proposed committee substitute must be emailed to committee members by 9 p.m. the day before it is taken up in committee.
- Reinstates press placement in the chamber instead of the gallery.
- Reinstates normal schedule for cosponsoring of bills.
- Modifies the process for terminating the changes by including the Speaker of the House as a party with authority to file an objection. The objection must be filed on a Monday prior to 5 p.m. Once filed, the modifications to the Permanent Rules expire at midnight of that same day, but no recorded vote may be held before 2 p.m. the following legislative day, unless jointly waived by the Majority and Minority leaders..

EFFECTIVE DATE: The resolution is effective upon adoption. The changes will remain in place unless the termination via an objection or sine die adjournment.

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