

House Resolution No. 6004

by Representatives O'Neal and Davis

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1 A RESOLUTION adopting permanent rules of the House of
2 Representatives for the 2011-2012 biennium.

3 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of*
4 *Kansas:* The following rules shall be permanent rules of the House of
5 Representatives for the 2011-2012 biennium.

6 RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

7 2011-2012

8 ARTICLE 1. HOUSE SESSIONS; GENERAL OPERATION

9 **Rule 101. Time of Meeting.** The hour of meeting on the first day
10 of each regular session shall be at 2:00 p.m., and on other days, shall be
11 the hour set at adjournment on the previous legislative day except that
12 if no hour of meeting is set at adjournment on the previous legislative
13 day, the hour of meeting shall be 11:00 a.m.

14 **Rule 102. Speaker Taking Chair.** The Speaker shall take the chair
15 each day, at the hour to which the House has adjourned. The Speaker
16 shall call the House to order and proceed to business in accordance
17 with the Rules of the House.

18 **Rule 103. First Business.** The first business each legislative day
19 shall be the taking of the roll, the taking of roll shall be followed by
20 prayer and the prayer shall be followed by the recitation of the pledge
21 of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by a
22 member designated by the Speaker.

23 **Rule 104. Order of Business.** (a) The regular order of business
24 each legislative day, except on days and at times set apart for the
25 consideration of special orders and except as provided by the joint rules
26 of the House and Senate, shall be as follows:

27 (1) Introduction and reference of bills and concurrent resolutions.

28 (2) Reports of select committees.

29 (3) Receipt of messages from the Governor.

30 (4) Communications from state officers.

31 (5) Messages from the Senate.

32 (6) Introduction and notice of original motions and house

33 resolutions.

- 1 (7) Consideration of motions and house resolutions offered on a
2 previous day.
- 3 (8) The unfinished business before the House at the time of
4 adjournment on the previous
5 day.
- 6 (9) Consent calendar.
- 7 (10) Final Action on bills and concurrent resolutions.
- 8 (11) Bills under consideration to concur and nonconcur.
- 9 (12) General Orders.
- 10 (13) Reports of standing committees.
- 11 (b) The presentation of petitions shall be a special order of business
12 on Friday of each week
13 immediately preceding the regular order of business.
- 14 **Rule 105. Members Excused from Attendance.** Members may be
15 excused from attendance on any legislative day by the Speaker for the
16 following reasons and such reasons shall be shown in the Journal: (1)
17 Verified illness; (2) legislative business; and (3) excused absence by the
18 Speaker.
- 19 **Rule 106. Introduction of Guests.** Except when permission has
20 been given by the Speaker before taking the chair, no guests in the
21 gallery shall be introduced to the House.
- 22 **Rule 107. Session Proforma.** (a) The House of Representatives
23 may meet from time to time for the sole purposes of processing routine
24 business of the House of Representatives. These sessions shall be
25 known as Session Proforma.
- 26 (b) Time of Meeting. Session Proforma shall be announced at least
27 one legislative day in advance with the hour for meeting Proforma set
28 on the previous legislative day.
- 29 (c) Order of Business. The only orders of business that may be
30 considered during Session Proforma are:
- 31 (1) Introduction and reference of bills and concurrent resolutions.
32 (2) Receipts of messages from the Governor.
33 (3) Communications from State Officers.
34 (4) Messages from the Senate.
35 (5) Reports of Standing Committees.
36 (6) Presentation of Petitions.
- 37 (d) Motions. No motion shall be in order other than the motion to
38 adjourn.
- 39 (e) Objections. Any objection by any member shall require the
40 Session Proforma to adjourn to the next day, Saturday and Sundays

1 excluded, at 11:00 a.m.

2 (f) Quorum and Roll. There shall be no requirement for a quorum
3 or taking of the roll. No demand for a roll call for a quorum shall be in
4 order.

5 (g) Effect on Certain Rules. If a legislative day referred to in Rule
6 1309, 1503, 1505, 2303, 2705 or 3705 occurs on a legislative day
7 which is also the day on which a Session Proforma is held, the term
8 "legislative day" as used in such rule means the next legislative day
9 subsequent to the legislative day on which the Session Proforma is
10 held.

11 ARTICLE 3. QUORUM

12 **Rule 301. Quorum, What Constitutes.** A majority of all members
13 then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall constitute a quorum. In
14 the absence of a quorum no business shall be transacted by the House,
15 except as provided in Rule 107, 302 and 303 or to recess or adjourn.

16 **Rule 302. Absence of Quorum.** In the absence of a quorum during
17 any session of the House, the members present may do what is
18 necessary to attain a quorum. In the absence of a quorum while in the
19 committee of the whole, the committee shall rise and report.
20 Reprimand, censure or expulsion may be imposed as provided by
21 Article 49 when there is found to be no sufficient excuse for absence of
22 a member.

23 **Rule 303. Roll Call to Determine Quorum.** A roll call shall be
24 taken to determine the existence of a quorum on demand of any
25 member. The result of each roll call to ascertain a quorum shall be
26 recorded in the Journal by statement of the total number present,
27 naming only the absentees.

28 ARTICLE 5. CONDUCT IN THE HOUSE CHAMBER

29 **Rule 501. Admission to Floor.** (a) During daily sessions, from the
30 time of convening until adjournment to the following legislative day,
31 only the following classes of persons shall be admitted to the floor of
32 the House, the cloakrooms to the east of the house chamber and the
33 hallway at the west of the house chamber: (1) Members of the
34 Legislature; (2) officers and employees of the legislative branch who
35 are properly identified; (3) persons having permits from the Speaker.

36 (b) No person who is an officer or employee of the executive or
37 judicial branch of Kansas government or an employee of the federal
38 government shall be admitted to the area of the chamber on which
39 legislators' desks are located during the time the House of
40 Representatives is in session, except as provided by resolution, nor

1 shall any such person be on the floor of the House chamber during a
2 call of the House. No person, other than a member, shall lean on the
3 railings on the floor of the House chamber next to the area of the
4 chamber on which legislators' desks are located during any time the
5 House is on final action.

6 (c) No person registered with the Secretary of State as a lobbyist
7 shall be on the floor of the House chamber 15 minutes before the time
8 of convening the daily session until 15 minutes after adjournment to the
9 following legislative day.

10 (d) The sergeant at arms shall remove all persons from the floor,
11 except persons authorized under the Rules of the House or a House
12 resolution.

13 (e) The provisions of this rule shall not be construed to prevent the
14 right of access (through the west hallway) by persons going directly to
15 or returning from the offices of the Speaker and the
16 Majority Leader.

17 **Rule 502. Food and Drink.** Members may have food or drink, or
18 both, on their desks in the House chamber only when the member is
19 present at the member's desk.

20 **Rule 503. Galleries.** Visitors shall be allowed in one or both
21 galleries of the House in accordance with directions to the sergeant at
22 arms from the Speaker. Except for security personnel authorized by the
23 Speaker, the use of telephones and the making of telephone calls in the
24 galleries of the House are prohibited.

25 **Rule 504. Placing Material on Member's Desks.** No items or
26 material shall be placed upon the desk of any member of the House
27 unless any such item or material bears the signature and printed name
28 of the member responsible for its distribution. This Rule 504 shall not
29 apply to items or material provided by legislative staff.

30 **Rule 505. Photographic Record of Vote.** No photographic or
31 similar record shall be made of the vote of any member upon any
32 measure upon which a division of the assembly has been called.

33 **Rule 506. Wireless Electronic Telecommunications Devices.**
34 Except for security personnel authorized by the Speaker, the use of
35 wireless electronic telecommunications devices emitting an audible
36 sound or tone to announce or initiate communications in the House
37 chamber is prohibited during any time the House is in session.

38 **Rule 507. Computer Usage.** Computers may be used on the floor
39 of the House chamber only for legislative or personal business during
40 any time the House is in session.

1 ARTICLE 7. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

2 **Rule 701. Introduction of House Bills and Resolutions.** Every
3 House bill or resolution intended to be introduced shall be delivered to
4 the chief clerk. The delivery shall be by a legislator who is a sponsor of
5 the legislation or by a legislator who is the chairperson or vice
6 chairperson of a legislative committee that has authorized the
7 introduction, or by a legislative staff person or another member of the
8 House authorized by such legislator. In lieu of introduction as provided
9 by this rule, introduction may be as provided by law for prefiled bills
10 and resolutions.

11 **Rule 702. Introduction of Senate Bills and Concurrent**
12 **Resolutions.** Senate bills and concurrent resolutions sent to the House
13 shall be introduced upon reading of the message received by the chief
14 clerk.

15 **Rule 703. Reading of Bills and Resolutions for Introduction.** For
16 the purpose of introduction, the chief clerk shall read bills and
17 resolutions by title, except citations of statutes. The Speaker may
18 require any House resolution to be read in full. The name of the
19 sponsor shall be read if there is only one sponsor. If there are two
20 sponsors, both names shall be read. If there are more than two
21 sponsors, the name of the first sponsor shall be read, followed by the
22 words "and others."

23 **Rule 704. Senate Bills and Concurrent Resolutions; Procedure**
24 **Following Introduction.** Following introduction, all Senate bills and
25 Senate concurrent resolutions when in the House shall follow the same
26 procedure as House bills and House concurrent resolutions.

27 ARTICLE 9. REFERENCE OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

28 **Rule 901. Reference, Generally.** (a) On the day of introduction or
29 the following legislative day, the Speaker shall refer each bill to:

- 30 (1) A standing committee,
31 (2) a select committee,
32 (3) the committee of the whole House,
33 (4) two or more standing committees separately, or
34 (5) two or more standing committees jointly.

35 (b) On the day of introduction or the following legislative day, the
36 Speaker shall refer each concurrent resolution:

- 37 (1) In any way that a bill may be referred under subsection (a), if
38 the concurrent resolution is a proposition to amend the Constitution of
39 Kansas, to call a constitutional convention to amend or revise the
40 Constitution of Kansas, to ratify an amendment to the Constitution of

1 the United States, to apply for a United States constitutional
2 convention, or to amend the joint rules of the House and Senate;

3 (2) if the concurrent resolution is not one of those specified in
4 subpart (1) of this subsection

5 (b), it may be referred in any way that a bill may be referred under
6 subsection (a), or the Speaker may authorize consideration thereof on
7 the day of introduction under the order of business introduction and
8 reference of bills and concurrent resolutions.

9 (c) On the day of introduction, the Speaker may refer any House
10 resolution (1) in any way that a bill may be referred under subsection
11 (a) or (2) make no reference, except the Speaker shall make any
12 reference required by the Rules of the House.

13 (d) Bills or resolutions prefiled under K.S.A. 46-801 et seq. and
14 amendments thereto for the regular session of the legislature held in
15 even-numbered years may be referred by the Speaker to the appropriate
16 committee or the committee of the whole at any time subsequent to the
17 prefiling of such bill or resolution with the chief clerk of the House.

18 **Rule 902. Appropriation Bills.** Bills containing more than one
19 item of appropriation shall be referred to the standing committee on
20 appropriations, except that bills introduced by the committee on
21 appropriations may be referred to the committee of the whole House.

22 **Rule 903. Separately Referred Bills and Resolutions.** (a) When a
23 bill or resolution has been referred separately to two or more standing
24 committees, each committee shall consider the bill or resolution
25 separately in the order specified by the Speaker.

26 (b) If the first committee to which a bill or resolution has been
27 separately referred, reports the bill or resolution adversely, the bill or
28 resolution shall not be considered by the second committee, unless
29 returned to the second committee by the committee of the whole House
30 in accordance with Rule 1505.

31 (c) When a bill has been referred separately and the report of the
32 first committee was not adverse, the report of the second committee
33 shall be the report considered by the committee of the whole House.

34 **Rule 904. Jointly Referred Bills and Resolutions.** When a bill or
35 resolution is jointly referred, it shall be considered and acted upon at a
36 joint meeting of the two committees. The chairperson of the first
37 committee named in the joint referral shall be the chairperson of the
38 joint committee when considering such bill or resolution.

39 ARTICLE 11. COMMITTEES; COMPOSITION

40 **Rule 1101. Standing Committees; Names and Members.** (a) The

1 standing committees of the House shall be the following and have the
 2 number of members indicated for each:

3	1. Aging and Long-term Care	13	
4	2. Agriculture and Natural Resources	19	
5	3. Appropriations	23	
6	4. Children and Families	9	
7	5. Calendar and Printing	6	
8	6. Commerce and Economic Development	19	
9	7. Corrections and Juvenile Justice	13	
10	8. Education	19	
11	9. Elections	13	
12	10. Energy and Utilities	19	
13	11. Federal and State Affairs	23	
14	12. Financial Institutions	13	
15	13. Government Efficiency	13	
16	14. Health and Human Services	19	
17	15. Insurance	13	
18	16. Interstate Cooperation	7	
19	17. Judiciary	21	
20	18. Local Government	13	
21	19. Pensions and Benefits	9	
22	20. Rules and Journal	7	
23	21. Taxation	23	
24	22. Transportation	19	
25	23. Veterans, Military and Homeland Security	13	
26	24. Vision 2020	13	

27 (b) The house standing committee on commerce and economic
 28 development shall constitute the successor committee to the house
 29 standing committee on economic development and tourism, the house
 30 standing committee on tourism and the house standing committee on
 31 tourism and parks for purposes of references in statutory or other
 32 documents. The house standing committee on commerce and economic
 33 development shall constitute the successor committee to the house
 34 standing committee on commerce and labor, the house standing
 35 committee on economic development and the house standing
 36 committee on new economy for purposes of references in statutory or
 37 other documents. The house standing committee on agriculture and
 38 natural resources shall constitute the successor committee to the house
 39 standing committee on environment for purposes of references in
 40 statutory or other documents. The house standing committee on

1 insurance and the house standing committee on financial institutions
2 shall constitute the successor committees to the house standing
3 committee on insurance and financial institutions for purposes of
4 references in statutory or other documents.

5 **Rule 1102. Committee Appointments.** (a) The Speaker shall
6 appoint the members of the standing committees. The Speaker may
7 remove or replace any such committee member at any time.

8 (b) The Speaker shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson
9 of each standing committee. The Speaker may remove or replace any
10 such chairperson or vice chairperson at any time.

11 **Rule 1103. Select Committees.** The Speaker may appoint select
12 committees and the chairpersons and vice chairpersons thereof. The
13 Speaker may remove or replace any such chairpersons or vice
14 chairpersons or members of such committees. Select committees shall
15 meet on call of the chairperson or when directed by the Speaker.

16 **Rule 1104. Announce Appointments.** All committee appointments
17 shall be announced in open session.

18 **Rule 1105. Budget Committees.** (a) There is hereby created the
19 following budget committees
20 of the committee on appropriations which shall have the number of
21 members indicated for each:

- 22 1. Agriculture and natural resources budget committee 9
- 23 2. Education budget committee 9
- 24 3. General government budget committee 9
- 25 4. Legislative budget committee 8
- 26 5. Social services budget committee 9
- 27 6. Transportation and public safety budget committee 9

28 (b) Members of the budget committees are not required to be
29 members of the committee on appropriations. The Speaker shall
30 designate the number of members of each budget committee who are
31 not members of the committee on appropriations and shall appoint the
32 members of each budget committee who are not members of the
33 committee on appropriations. The chairperson of the committee on
34 appropriations shall appoint the members of each budget committee
35 who are members of the committee on appropriations. The Speaker
36 shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson of each budget
37 committee. The Speaker may remove or replace at any time any budget
38 committee chairperson, vice chairperson or any member of such
39 committee appointed by the Speaker.

40 (c) Budget committees shall be advisory to and make

1 recommendations to the committee on appropriations. Budget
2 committees are authorized to introduce bills or resolutions, except that
3 budget committees are not authorized to introduce bills containing one
4 or more items of appropriation. Except as otherwise provided in this
5 rule, budget committees shall be deemed to be standing committees
6 under the rules of the House of Representatives.

7 (d) Budget committee meetings are subject to the Kansas open
8 meetings act, K.S.A. 75-4317a et seq., and amendments thereto.

9 **ARTICLE 13. COMMITTEES; PROCEDURE**

10 **Rule 1301. Committee Meetings; Time and Place.** (a) When the
11 Legislature is in session, standing committees shall meet at the times
12 and place assigned by the Speaker on the call of the chairperson.

13 (b) Also, when the Legislature is in session, a standing committee
14 shall meet upon written request of three members of the committee.
15 Such a request shall be submitted to the Speaker and the chairperson at
16 least one legislative day before the requested time of meeting. The time
17 and place of a meeting under this subsection (b) shall be set by the
18 chairperson with the approval of the Speaker.

19 **Rule 1302. Notice and Agenda for Committee Meetings.** The
20 chairperson shall provide notice of meetings and an agenda or agenda
21 information to committee members, the chief clerk and the public. The
22 chief clerk shall include in the calendar such information as is practical.

23 **Rule 1303. Duties of Committee Chairperson.** The principal
24 duties of the chairperson of a standing committee are:

25 (a) To preside over meetings of the committee and to put all
26 questions;

27 (b) to maintain order and decide all questions of order subject to
28 appeal to the committee;

29 (c) to supervise and direct staff of the committee;

30 (d) to keep, or have the committee secretary keep, subject to the
31 approval of the committee at a subsequent meeting, minutes of
32 meetings which shall include:

33 (1) The time and place of each meeting of the committee;

34 (2) the attendance of committee members; and

35 (3) the names and city and state of residence of persons appearing
36 before the committee and whom each represents;

37 (e) to prepare and sign reports of the committee and submit them
38 promptly to the chief clerk;

39 (f) to appoint subcommittees to perform duties on an informal
40 basis; and

- 1 (g) to inform the Speaker of any committee activity which caused
2 any member of the committee to be absent during any recorded vote.
- 3 **Rule 1304. Introduction of Committee Bills and Resolutions.** A
4 committee may introduce bills and resolutions while the Legislature is
5 in session respecting any matters referred to it. A standing committee
6 may introduce bills and resolutions only within the general subject area
7 assigned to the committee. No standing committee shall originate a bill
8 which is substantially identical with any bill which has been referred to
9 another standing committee, and which is under consideration by such
10 committee.
- 11 **Rule 1305. Quorum of a Committee.** A quorum shall be present at
12 a meeting for a committee to act officially. A quorum of a committee is
13 a majority of the members of the committee. A quorum of a committee
14 may transact business and a majority of the quorum, even though it is a
15 minority of the committee, may adopt a committee report.
- 16 **Rule 1306. Voting in Committees.** (a) All final actions by a
17 committee shall be taken at a called meeting while the Legislature is in
18 session. The final action taken shall be recorded in the committee
19 minutes. An individual member's vote may be recorded at the
20 member's request.
- 21 (b) The committee chairperson may vote but shall not be required
22 to vote unless the committee is equally divided. If the chairperson's
23 vote makes the division equal, the question shall be lost.
- 24 (c) An action formally taken by a committee cannot be altered in
25 the committee except by reconsideration and further formal action of
26 the committee.
- 27 (d) A motion to take from the table may be adopted by the
28 affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at any called
29 meeting of the committee.
- 30 **Rule 1307. Procedure in General.** Committee procedure shall be
31 informal, but where any questions arise thereon, the rules or practices
32 of the House are applicable except that the right of a member to speak
33 to any question shall not be subject to the limitations prescribed by
34 Rule 1704. All motions in a committee shall require a second.
- 35 **Rule 1308. Committee Action on Bills and Resolutions.** (a) A
36 committee shall not
37 take action to report a bill out of committee on the same day that
38 the committee holds a hearing on the bill unless the committee
39 approves such action by a two-thirds vote.
- 40 (b) A committee may recommend amendments to measures referred

1 to it which are germane to the subject of the measure. Committee
2 recommendations shall be made by committee report to the House.
3 Committee reports shall be signed by the chairperson or other
4 committee members authorized by the committee to make the report,
5 and shall be transmitted to the House not later than the second
6 legislative day following the action of the committee.

7 (c) All committee reports on bills and resolutions shall be recorded
8 in the Journal.

9 (d) If amendments are pending on a measure when referred to a
10 committee, the amendments accompany the bill and the committee may
11 recommend the adoption or rejection of the amendments already
12 proposed and make further recommendations.

13 **Rule 1309. Motion to Withdraw a Bill or Resolution from a**
14 **Committee.** (a) If a committee does not report on any bill or resolution
15 within 10 legislative days after its reference to the committee, the bill
16 or resolution may be withdrawn from the committee by an affirmative
17 vote of 70 members of the House. Such a motion shall be made in
18 writing, giving the reasons for withdrawal from the committee. Such
19 motion shall be made under the order of business introduction and
20 notice of original motions and House resolutions. Only one bill or
21 resolution may be named in such a motion. The motion shall be read by
22 the chief clerk or the member making the motion and shall be printed in
23 the calendar of the next legislative day under the order of business
24 consideration of motions and House resolutions offered on a previous
25 day. The motion shall be considered on the legislative day following the
26 day it is made. If the motion prevails, the bill or resolution shall be
27 placed on the calendar under the order of business General Orders.

28 (b) Motions to withdraw a bill or resolution from a committee are
29 not subject to amendment or debate.

30 (c) The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this rule shall not
31 apply to resolutions adopting or amending rules of the House.
32 Resolutions relating to the adoption or the amendment of rules of the
33 House may be withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Journal at
34 any time by the affirmative vote of 63 members of the House.

35 **Rule 1310. Wireless Electronic Telecommunications Devices.**
36 Except for security personnel authorized by the Speaker, the use of
37 wireless electronic telecommunications devices emitting an audible
38 sound or tone to announce or initiate communications in a committee
39 room is prohibited during any time when a committee or subcommittee
40 is in session in the room.

1 ARTICLE 15. CALENDAR LOCATION OF BILLS AND
2 RESOLUTIONS

3 **Rule 1501. General Orders; Description and Function.** Bills,
4 concurrent resolutions and House resolutions reported for further action
5 by the committee to which they were referred and bills and concurrent
6 resolutions referred directly to the committee of the whole shall
7 constitute the General Orders of the calendar of the House. The titles of
8 such bills and resolutions shall appear under the heading General
9 Orders in the order directed by the committee on calendar and printing.
10 The reporting committee and its action on the bill or resolution shall be
11 shown under each thereof. Such bills and resolutions shall be
12 considered by the committee of the whole in the order which they
13 appear on General Orders.

14 **Rule 1502. Posting of Sequence for Succeeding Day.** When the
15 committee on calendar and printing has prepared the sequence of bills
16 and resolutions to appear on General Orders for the succeeding
17 legislative day, a copy of the list giving the number designation of each
18 bill and resolution in the order they are to appear shall be posted near
19 the entrance to the House chamber. No bill or resolution shall appear on
20 General Orders or be considered in the Committee of the Whole
21 without notice of the same having been announced in the House not
22 later than 4:00 p.m. or prior to adjournment if at a later hour on the
23 previous day.

24 **Rule 1503. Change in the Sequence on General Orders.** (a) The
25 order of a bill or resolution on General Orders may be changed by
26 unanimous consent or by the affirmative vote of 70 members.

27 (b) Also, the order of a bill or resolution on General Orders may be
28 changed by vote of a majority of all members then elected (or
29 appointed) and qualified of the House on a motion made as provided in
30 this subsection (b). Such a motion shall be made in writing, giving the
31 reasons for the proposed change. Such motion shall be made under the
32 order of business introduction and notice of original motions and House
33 resolutions. Only one bill or resolution may be named in such a motion.
34 The motion shall be read by the chief clerk or the member making the
35 motion and shall be printed in the calendar of the next legislative day
36 under the order of business consideration of motions and House
37 resolutions offered on a previous day. The motion shall be considered
38 on the legislative day following the day it is made. If such a motion
39 fails, a motion to change the order on General Orders of such bill shall
40 not be in order until the fifth legislative day following such failure.

1 (c) Motions to change the order of a bill or resolution on General
2 Orders are not subject to amendment or debate.

3 (d) This Rule 1503 does not apply to the addition or removal of a
4 bill or resolution from General Orders.

5 **Rule 1504. Adversely Reported Bills and Resolutions; Calendar**
6 **Location.** Bills and resolutions that are adversely reported shall appear
7 on the calendar for one day under the heading bills adversely reported.

8 **Rule 1505. Motion to Move Adversely Reported Bill or**
9 **Concurrent Resolution to General Orders.** (a) A motion to add an
10 adversely reported bill or resolution to General Orders shall be made in
11 writing. Such motion shall be made under the order of business
12 introduction and notice of original motions and House resolutions, and
13 such motion may not be made after the legislative day when the bill or
14 resolution appears on the calendar under Rule 1504. The motion shall
15 be read by the chief clerk or the member making the motion and shall
16 be printed in the calendar of the next legislative day under the order of
17 business consideration of motions and House resolutions offered on a
18 previous day. The motion shall be considered on the legislative day
19 following the day it is made.

20 (b) When a bill or resolution has been separately referred and is
21 adversely reported by the first committee of separate reference, a
22 motion to add the adversely reported bill or resolution to General
23 Orders is not in order, but a motion to move the adversely reported bill
24 or resolution to the next committee of separate reference may be made
25 in the same manner as the motion in subsection (a).

26 (c) Adoption of a motion under this Rule 1505 requires the
27 affirmative vote of 70 members of the House.

28 (d) If a motion under subsection (a) prevails, the words "Adversely
29 Reported" shall be printed in a line below the title of the bill when it is
30 listed on General Orders.

31 **Rule 1506. Motion to Lay on Table Bill or Resolution while on**
32 **Final Action Subject to Amendments and Debate.** When a motion to
33 lay on the table a bill or resolution is adopted while on final action
34 subject to amendment and debate, on the next legislative day such bill
35 or resolution shall be placed on the calendar under the order of business
36 the unfinished business before the House at the time of adjournment on
37 the previous day.

38 **Rule 1507. Disposition of Bills Subject to Certain Deadlines.**
39 Any bill which is subject to a deadline for consideration under
40 subsection (e) or subsection (f) of Joint rule 4 of the Joint Rules of the

1 Senate and House of Representatives and which remains on general
2 orders at the close of business on such deadline day shall be considered
3 as killed and shall be stricken from the calendar unless such bill is
4 referred by the speaker to a committee before the close of business on
5 such day. Any bill so referred shall be subject to all applicable
6 deadlines under the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of
7 Representatives.

8 **ARTICLE 17. MEMBERS ADDRESSING THE HOUSE**

9 **Rule 1701. Requesting the Floor.** Any member desiring to request
10 the floor shall press the member's "speak bill" button, and shall not
11 proceed until recognized by the chair.

12 **Rule 1702. Order During Speaking.** While a member is speaking
13 to the House, no other member shall engage in private conversation or
14 pass between the member speaking and the chair.

15 **Rule 1703. When Question is Put.** While a question is being put
16 or a roll call or division is being taken, members are not to speak or
17 leave their seats.

18 **Rule 1704. Violation of Rules While Speaking.** (a) Members shall
19 address the House from the microphone located in the well of the
20 House chamber.

21 (b) No member shall speak more than twice on the same day to the
22 same question without leave of the House, unless the member is the
23 mover or is carrying the measure, in which case such member may
24 open and close the debate and may respond to direct questions from
25 other members addressed to them during the course of consideration of
26 the measure. For the purposes of this subsection, an amendment to any
27 measure shall be considered as a separate and independent question.

28 (c) The privilege of a member carrying a measure to open and close
29 the debate shall not be affected by any order for the previous question
30 or that debate shall cease. Such member may occupy 20 minutes in
31 closing the debate after the previous question is ordered and may divide
32 that time with other members.

33 (d) While a member is carrying a measure, such member may yield
34 to another member for explanation of the measure, or for personal
35 explanation, or for a motion to adjourn without losing the privilege to
36 carry the measure for the remainder of their time except that such
37 member may not yield to any member who has already spoken twice on
38 such question on the same day.

39 (e) If any member, in speaking, violates the rules of the House, the
40 chair shall call such member to order.

1 ARTICLE 19. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

2 **Rule 1901. Motion to go into Committee of the Whole House.**
3 When the order of business General Orders is reached, a motion shall
4 be in order for the House to go into Committee of the Whole for
5 consideration of bills and resolutions as listed on General Orders.

6 **Rule 1902. Committee of the Whole; Normal Procedure.** Bills
7 and resolutions shall be considered in the Committee of the Whole as
8 follows: If the standing committee has recommended that the bill or
9 resolution be amended, the standing committee report shall first be
10 considered, and if it is adopted, the bill as amended by the committee
11 report shall be considered section by section, and as each section is
12 considered, amendments from the floor are in order to that section. If
13 the committee report is not adopted, or if the committee has
14 recommended no amendments, the bill, without committee
15 amendments, shall be considered section by section, and as each
16 section is considered, amendments from the floor are in order to that
17 section. After a section has been once considered, no amendment
18 thereto shall be in order until the whole bill shall have been considered
19 section by section. After the original bill, together with standing
20 committee amendments if any, has been considered section by section,
21 the chairperson shall announce, "Amendments to the bill generally are
22 in order," and amendments not before offered may be made to any part
23 of the bill. A motion that when the committee arises it report a bill
24 favorably, or report a bill favorably as amended, shall not be in order
25 until all other motions have been disposed of, and such a motion shall
26 not be offered as a substitute motion. A motion to strike the enacting
27 clause is in order at any stage until the final vote is announced. The
28 motion to strike the enacting clause may be debated upon the merit of
29 the proposition, and shall not be subject to amendment or substitution.
30 A roll call vote shall be taken upon a motion to strike the enacting
31 clause.

32 **Rule 1903. Motion to Pass Over a Bill or Resolution While in**
33 **Committee of the Whole.** When in the Committee of the Whole, either
34 (1) a motion to pass over a bill or resolution and that it retain its place
35 on the Calendar or (2) a motion to pass over a bill or resolution and that
36 it retain a place on General Orders shall be in order only after the
37 chairperson has announced that the next order of business is such bill or
38 resolution and has recognized a member to carry it. Either motion shall
39 require the vote of a majority of the members present for adoption.
40 Motions under this rule shall not be subject to debate.

1 **Rule 1904. Motions to Refer Bills or Resolutions to a**
2 **Committee While in Committee of the Whole.** When in the
3 Committee of the Whole, motion may be made to refer a bill or
4 resolution to a standing committee only after the chairperson has
5 announced that the next order of business is such bill or resolution and
6 has recognized a member to carry it. Such motion shall require the vote
7 of a majority of the members present for adoption.

8 **Rule 1905. Striking Bills and Resolutions from the Calendar**
9 **While in Committee of the Whole.** (a) While in Committee of the
10 Whole, a motion to strike a bill or resolution from the calendar shall be
11 in order only after the chairperson has announced that the next order of
12 business is such bill or resolution and has recognized a member to carry
13 it.

14 (b) A motion to strike a bill from the calendar under this Rule 1905
15 (1) shall require a vote of a majority of the members present for
16 adoption, and (2) shall be subject to roll call in accordance with
17 subsection (e) of Rule 2507, but shall not be subject to a call of the
18 House under Rule 2508.

19 **Rule 1906. Requesting the Floor.** Any member desiring to request
20 the floor shall press such member's "speak bill" button to speak on a
21 bill or offer an amendment and "speak amendment" button to speak on
22 a pending amendment, and shall not proceed until recognized by the
23 chairperson of the Committee of the Whole.

24 **Rule 1907. Rules Applicable.** The same rules, except Rule 2508,
25 shall be observed in the Committee of the Whole as in the House, so far
26 as the same are applicable, except that the previous question and the
27 motion to lay on the table shall not apply.

28 **Rule 1908. Rise and Report.** A motion for the Committee of the
29 Whole to rise and report shall be in order at any stage, and shall be
30 decided without debate. When the Committee of the Whole has a bill
31 under consideration and rises without final action thereon, the bill shall
32 retain a place on General Orders.

33 **Rule 1909. Effect of Recommendation of Committee of the**
34 **Whole.** Bills recommended for passage and resolutions recommended
35 for adoption by the Committee of the Whole shall not be subject to
36 amendment or debate after the adoption by the House of the Committee
37 of the Whole report. When a bill or resolution is reported with the
38 recommendation that the enacting or resolving clause be stricken, and
39 the Committee of the Whole report is adopted by the House, the bill or
40 resolution shall be considered as killed and shall be stricken from the

1 calendar.

2 **Rule 1910. Report of Committee of the Whole.** When the report
3 of the Committee of the Whole recommends the passage of a bill or
4 adoption of a resolution, and the report is adopted by the House, such
5 bills and resolutions shall be considered as ordered to the order of
6 business Final Action. If the bill or resolution has been amended by the
7 Committee of the Whole it shall be reprinted.

8 ARTICLE 21. AMENDMENT OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

9 **Rule 2101. Germaneness.** Amendments to bills and resolutions
10 shall be germane to the subject of the bill or resolution. The principal
11 test of whether an amendment is germane shall be its relationship to the
12 subject of the bill or resolution, rather than to wording of the title
13 thereof. The amendment, including any amendment from the floor to
14 strike all of the substantive provisions of a bill or resolution and insert
15 other provisions, must be relevant, appropriate, and have some relation
16 to or involve the same subject as the bill or resolution to be amended.
17 For the purposes of this rule the subject matter of any appropriation bill
18 is the spending and appropriating of money and any amendment which
19 changes the amount of money spent in any state agency or program is
20 germane to any appropriation bill.

21 Any member, upon recognition by the presiding officer, may
22 request a ruling upon the germaneness of any amendment to a bill or
23 resolution. All rulings upon the question of germaneness shall be made
24 by the chairperson of the House Committee on Rules and Journal. At
25 the time of making such ruling, the chairperson shall state the reasons
26 or basis for such ruling. Appeals from rulings of the chairperson may
27 be taken upon the motion of any member. Such appeals shall be in
28 order at the time of the making of the ruling and shall take precedence
29 over any question pending at the time the chairperson makes such
30 ruling. Appeals from the ruling of the chairperson shall be debatable
31 only by the member making the motion to amend which is the subject
32 of the ruling, the member carrying the measure sought to be amended,
33 the Majority Leader or a member designated by the Majority Leader
34 and the Minority Leader or a member designated by the Minority
35 Leader. Debate upon the ruling of the chairperson shall be limited to the
36 question of the germaneness of the proposed amendment. At the
37 conclusion of debate the presiding officer shall inquire: "Shall the
38 chairperson's ruling be sustained?"

39 **Rule 2102. Form of Amendment Motions.** Motions to amend bills
40 and resolutions

1 shall specify the page and line number, as shown on the printed bill
2 or resolution, and shall be in writing on a form provided by the House
3 or a form substantially similar. Prior to making a motion to amend, the
4 written motion shall be delivered to the chief clerk. In the case of
5 amendment by substitute bill, motion shall be made to substitute a
6 written bill for the bill under consideration.

7 **Rule 2103. Reading Amendments; General Rule.** Motions to
8 amend bills and resolutions shall not require readings as for bills
9 introduced, except as otherwise provided in Rule 2107, but shall be
10 subject to Rule 2306.

11 **Rule 2104. Motions to Amend Motions.** A motion to amend a
12 motion to amend a bill or resolution shall not be in order.

13 **Rule 2105. Dividing Amendments.** (a) When any motion to
14 amend a bill or resolution contains distinct propositions it shall be
15 divided by the chairperson at the request of any member. The division
16 by the chairperson shall be made in accordance with the following:

17 (1) A motion to strike out and insert words of less than a sentence
18 shall be indivisible;

19 (2) the distinct propositions shall be only in the form submitted in
20 the motion to amend; and

21 (3) each proposition must be so distinct that, one being removed,
22 the remainder may stand entirely on their own.

23 (b) Upon a request to divide a motion to amend a bill or resolution,
24 the chairperson shall inquire as to whether there is a request for a ruling
25 on germaneness of the motion to amend. If such a request is made, the
26 issue of germaneness shall be determined prior to dividing the motion.

27 If no request for a ruling on germaneness of the motion to amend is
28 made, the chairperson shall proceed to divide the motion to amend in
29 accordance with this rule, and no subsequent request for a ruling on
30 germaneness of any distinct proposition of the motion so divided shall
31 be in order.

32 (c) The chairperson, or any member, may request that the member
33 requesting the division make the request in writing specifying the
34 manner in which the motion to amend should be divided.

35 (d) The chairperson may request that the member requesting the
36 division and the chairperson or the vice-chairperson of the Committee
37 on Rules and Journal recommend an appropriate division, but the final
38 ruling on how to divide the motion to amend shall be that of the
39 chairperson who shall announce the division to the body.

40 (e) The division of the motion to amend shall be in accordance with

1 the rules of the House and with items (1) to (3), inclusive, of subsection
2 (a). The ruling of the chairperson on how to divide the motion to amend
3 shall not be subject to appeal except that any member may appeal the
4 ruling of the chairperson on the grounds that the division is not in
5 accordance with a rule of the House including the provisions of items
6 (1), (2) or (3) of subsection (a), or any combination thereof.

7 **Rule 2106. Substitute Motions.** No substitute motion to amend a
8 bill or resolution shall be in order.

9 **Rule 2107. Subject Change by Senate.** (a) When the Senate
10 adopts amendments to a House bill which materially changes its
11 subject, upon return of such bill to the House, it shall be read as
12 provided for the introduction of bills and be referred as provided in
13 Rule 901.

14 (b) The Speaker may determine when a bill is subject to subsection
15 (a).

16 **Rule 2108. Motions to Strike Out and Insert.** The rejection of a
17 motion to amend a bill or resolution by striking out and inserting one
18 proposition shall not prevent a motion to strike out and insert another
19 proposition, nor prevent a subsequent motion simply to strike out; nor
20 shall the rejection of a motion simply to strike out prevent a subsequent
21 motion to strike out and insert.

22 **Rule 2109. Identical Motions.** Except upon the unanimous consent
23 of the House, an identical motion to amend a bill or resolution shall not
24 be made a second time on the same legislative day.

25 ARTICLE 23. PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

26 **Rule 2301. Order of Motions.** When a question is under
27 consideration, no motion shall be received except as specified under the
28 Rules of the House, which motions shall have precedence in the
29 following order:

- 30 (a) For adjournment of the House.
- 31 (b) For call of the House.
- 32 (c) To lay on the table.
- 33 (d) For the previous question.
- 34 (e) To postpone to a certain time.
- 35 (f) To commit to a standing committee.
- 36 (g) To commit to a select committee.
- 37 (h) To reject the adoption of reports of conference committees
38 coupled with the request for appointment of a new conference
39 committee.
- 40 (i) To adopt the report of conference committees.

1 (j) To amend.

2 (k) To postpone indefinitely.

3 **Rule 2302. Motion to Adjourn.** The motion to adjourn shall
4 always be in order, except while a vote is being taken and until
5 announced, or when a member has the floor, or when the previous
6 question is pending; but a motion to recess is not equivalent to a motion
7 to adjourn.

8 **Rule 2303. Motion to Reconsider.** A motion to reconsider shall
9 take precedence of all other questions except the motion to adjourn. No
10 motion for reconsideration of any vote shall be in order, unless made on
11 the same day or the legislative day following that on which the decision
12 to be reconsidered took place, nor unless a member voting with the
13 prevailing side shall move such reconsideration. A motion for
14 reconsideration, being put and lost, shall not be renewed, nor shall any
15 subject or vote be a second time reconsidered without unanimous
16 consent, but this provision shall not be construed as preventing the
17 introduction of a bill on the same subject. The member moving for
18 reconsideration shall be allowed not more than two minutes for stating
19 the reasons in support of the motion. Such motion shall be subject to
20 debate by any member, stating reasons in support or opposition to the
21 motion. Each of such members shall be allowed not more than one
22 minute for the purpose of such debate. Such motion shall require the
23 affirmative vote of members equal in number to that required to take
24 the action proposed to be reconsidered. A motion to reconsider any
25 final action of the House shall be in order at any time prior to the time
26 at which the message of the House thereon is read into the record of the
27 Senate. A motion to reconsider any final action of the House may be
28 made after the time at which the message of the House thereon is read
29 into the report of the Senate but any action taken pursuant thereto will
30 be contingent upon the return of the measure to the House by the
31 Senate.

32 **Rule 2304. Previous Question.** The "previous question" shall be:
33 "Shall the main question be now put?" and until it is decided shall
34 preclude all amendments or debate. When voting on the previous
35 question, the House decides that the main question shall not now be
36 put, the main question shall be considered as still remaining under
37 debate. The main question shall be on the passage of the bill, resolution
38 or other matter under consideration. When amendments are pending, a
39 vote shall first be taken upon such amendments in their order without
40 further debate or amendment.

1 A majority vote of the members present shall order the previous
2 question.

3 **Rule 2305. Motions Not Subject to Debate.** All questions relating
4 to priority of business shall be decided without debate. The motion to
5 adjourn, to change the order of consideration of a bill, for a call of the
6 House, and to lay on the table shall be decided without amendment or
7 debate. The several motions to postpone or commit shall preclude all
8 debate on the main question.

9 **Rule 2306. Motion to Refer Bills or Resolutions to Committee**
10 **When Not in Committee of the Whole.** When not in the Committee of
11 the Whole, a motion to refer a bill or resolution from the Calendar to a
12 standing committee shall be in order only when the body is meeting as
13 the House of Representatives and shall be authorized only when offered
14 by the Majority Leader, or in the absence of the Majority Leader, by the
15 Assistant Majority Leader. Such motion shall require the affirmative
16 vote of a majority of the members then elected (or appointed) and
17 qualified to the House.

18 **Rule 2307. Motion to Strike Bills and Resolutions from**
19 **Calendar When Not in Committee of the Whole.** When not in the
20 Committee of the Whole, a motion to strike a bill or resolution from the
21 Calendar shall be in order only when the body is meeting as the House
22 of Representatives and shall be authorized only when offered by the
23 Majority Leader, or in the absence of the Majority Leader, by the
24 Assistant Majority Leader. Such motion shall require the affirmative
25 vote of a majority of the members then elected (or appointed) and
26 qualified to the House.

27 **Rule 2308. Stating Question.** Every motion shall be first stated by
28 the presiding officer or read by the chief clerk, before debate, and again
29 immediately before putting the question.

30 **Rule 2309. Dividing Motion.** If any motion, other than a motion
31 under Rule 2105, contains distinct propositions it shall be divided by
32 the chairperson at the request of any member. Motions under Rule 2105
33 shall be divided in accordance with that rule.

34 **Rule 2310. When Motions to be in Writing.** Every motion, except
35 those specified in Rules 2301 and 2303, shall be in writing if the
36 Speaker or any member desires it. All motions to amend a bill or
37 resolution and all resolutions shall be in writing.

38 **Rule 2311. Suspension of Rules of the House.** (a) No rule of the
39 House shall be suspended except by unanimous consent or by an
40 affirmative vote of a majority of the members then elected (or

1 appointed) and qualified to the House, subject to the following
2 exceptions:

3 (1) A motion to suspend the rules, and to declare an emergency and
4 to advance a bill to the order of business Final Action, as contemplated
5 in article 2, section 15 of the Constitution shall require an affirmative
6 vote of 2/3 of the members present in the House.

7 (2) A motion to suspend the rules and to permit amendment and
8 debate of a bill under the order of business Final Action shall require an
9 affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present in the House.

10 (b) When under the rules of the House a motion, question or action
11 requires a vote of a majority greater than a majority of the members
12 present, the majority specified for such motion, question or action shall
13 be required to suspend the rules for the purpose of such motion,
14 question or action. When under the rules of the House notice of a
15 motion reduces the required majority for adoption of the motion, the
16 required majority shall not be reduced if the notice is disposed of by
17 suspension of the rules.

18 (c) Suspension of the rules or unanimous consent shall not reduce
19 the majority required under subpart (1) of subsection (a) of this rule.

20 **Rule 2312. Mason's Manual; When Applicable.** (a) In any case
21 where rules of the House or the joint rules of the Senate and House do
22 not apply, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure (2000 edition),
23 with the exception of section 4, paragraph 2, shall govern.

24 (b) Rules of legislative procedure are derived from several sources
25 and take precedence in the order listed below. For the Kansas House of
26 Representatives, the principal sources are as follows: (a) Constitutional
27 provisions; (b) statutory provisions; (c) adopted rules; (d) adopted
28 parliamentary authority; (e) custom, usage and precedents.

29 **ARTICLE 25. VOTING**

30 **Rule 2501. Control and Use of Voting System.** The electronic
31 voting system shall be under the control of the Speaker or other
32 presiding officer and shall be operated by the chief clerk. The electronic
33 voting system shall be used to record the vote whenever a roll call vote
34 is taken on any question and may be used for ascertaining the vote
35 upon any measure upon which a division of the assembly has been
36 called. In the event that the system is not operating properly, roll call
37 votes may be taken by calling the roll.

38 **Rule 2502. Procedure for Taking a Roll Call Vote.** When a roll
39 call vote is taken, the presiding officer shall state the question and
40 instruct the members to proceed to vote. When sufficient time has been

1 allowed the members to vote, the presiding officer shall inquire: "Has
2 every member had an opportunity to vote?" After a short pause the
3 presiding officer shall direct the chief clerk to close the roll. After the
4 roll has been closed, when Rule 2505 applies, the presiding officer shall
5 inquire: "Does any member desire to explain their vote?" and any
6 member so desiring may give such explanation when recognized by the
7 presiding officer. The presiding officer shall inquire: "Does any
8 member desire to change their vote?" If any member does desire to
9 change their vote, such member when recognized by the presiding
10 officer, shall advise how they desire to change such vote and the
11 presiding officer shall then instruct the chief clerk to make the
12 appropriate change. A member who has not previously voted may vote
13 at this time when permitted by the presiding officer. Such member shall
14 advise how they wish to vote and the presiding officer shall then
15 instruct the chief clerk to record such vote. After all members who
16 desire to vote or to change their votes have had reasonable opportunity
17 to do so, the presiding officer shall direct the chief clerk to record the
18 vote, and when the vote is recorded the presiding officer shall announce
19 the vote.

20 **Rule 2503. Display of Recurring Totals.** Under Rule 2502,
21 recurring totals shall be displayed only after the roll is closed. No
22 recurring totals shall be displayed for a determination of the vote upon
23 a division of the assembly.

24 **Rule 2504. Voting by Members.** (a) A member may vote only
25 when at their desk or at any place within the chamber of the House
26 when authorized by the presiding officer, who shall direct the chief
27 clerk to so vote for such member.

28 (b) No member shall vote for another member. No person not a
29 member shall cast a vote for a member, except as otherwise provided in
30 the rules. In addition to such penalties as may be prescribed by law, any
31 member who votes or attempts to vote for another member shall be
32 subject to Article 49 of these rules. If a person not a member votes or
33 attempts to vote for any member, such person shall be barred from the
34 floor of the House for the remainder of the session, and, in addition to
35 penalties prescribed by law, may be punished further as the House
36 determines.

37 (c) The Speaker shall not be compelled to vote except in case of a
38 tie.

39 **Rule 2505. Explaining Vote.** Any member may, when a roll call
40 vote is being taken on the passage or adoption of any bill or resolution,

1 explain their vote. Such member shall be allowed not more than one
2 minute for such explanation. Such explanation, if furnished in writing
3 and signed, with printed name and district number, by such member by
4 4:00 p.m. upon the day the vote is taken or if the vote is taken
5 subsequent to 3:30 p.m., within one-half hour after the adjournment of
6 the House on that day, shall be entered in the Journal, provided it does
7 not contain more than 100 words.

8 **Rule 2506. Copies of Voting Records.** (a) Unless otherwise
9 ordered, the chief clerk shall record each roll call vote and make copies
10 available for the use of the news media. No record shall be made of the
11 vote of any member voting upon any measure upon which a division of
12 the assembly has been called.

13 (b) When a roll call vote is taken, it shall be recorded in the Journal
14 by a statement of the names and total number voting in the affirmative,
15 the names and total number voting in the negative, names and total
16 number indicating presence but not voting and the names and total
17 number absent or not voting, except that the provisions of this section
18 shall not permit a member to fail to vote in violation of Rule 2508.

19 **Rule 2507. When Roll Call Vote to be Taken.** (a) A roll call vote
20 shall be taken for the passage of any bill.

21 (b) A roll call vote shall be taken for the adoption of any concurrent
22 resolution to amend the Constitution of the state of Kansas, to call a
23 Kansas constitutional convention, to extend a session of the Legislature
24 in even-numbered years, to ratify any amendment of the Constitution of
25 the United States, to make any application for Congress to call a
26 convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United
27 States and when required by the joint rules of the House and Senate. A
28 roll call vote is not required for adoption of concurrent resolutions
29 pertaining to commendations or acknowledgments, unless required
30 under subsection (e) of Rule 2507.

31 (c) A roll call vote shall be taken for the adoption of any House
32 resolution to adopt, amend or revoke any rule of the House or to reject
33 any executive reorganization order.

34 (d) A roll call vote shall be taken to concur in Senate amendments
35 to any bill or concurrent resolution or to adopt any conference
36 committee report other than a report agreeing to disagree.

37 (e) A roll call vote shall be taken on any question on demand of 15
38 members, unless a roll call vote is already pending.

39 **Rule 2508. Call of the House.** (a) A call of the House shall be
40 ordered on the demand of any 10 members at any stage of the voting

1 previous to the announcing of the vote or, if the voting system is used,
2 prior to recording the vote. This Rule 2508 shall apply to the taking of a
3 vote upon the final passage of any bill or final adoption of any
4 resolution whether under the order of business Final Action or under
5 any order of business. Also, this Rule 2508 shall apply to the taking of
6 a vote on a motion to strike the enacting clause of a bill and the
7 resolving clause of a resolution and on a motion to strike all after the
8 enacting clause or resolving clause, except when the House is in the
9 Committee of the Whole. When the call of the House is once invoked,
10 then all members present during the call, shall be required to vote
11 before the call is raised. The call of the House shall not be raised (so
12 long as 10 members continue the demand) until a reasonable effort has
13 been exerted to secure absentees.

14 (b) Any member, who is directly interested in a question, may be
15 excused from voting, when there is a call of the House. The member,
16 who is requesting to be excused from voting, shall state the reasons
17 therefor, occupying not more than five minutes. The question on
18 excusing such member from voting shall be taken without debate and a
19 2/3 majority of members present shall be necessary to excuse such
20 member. If a member refuses to vote, when not excused, such refusal
21 shall constitute grounds for reprimand, censure or expulsion under
22 Article 49 of the Rules of the House.

23 **Rule 2509. Voice Vote; Division of the Assembly.** Except when a
24 roll call vote is required a voice vote shall be taken on all questions.
25 Any member may call for a division of the assembly to determine the
26 vote by the voting system.

27 ARTICLE 27. FINAL ACTION

28 **Rule 2701. Description and Function.** Subject to Rule 2705, bills
29 and resolutions reported favorably by the Committee of the Whole shall
30 constitute the order of business Final Action of the House. The titles of
31 such bills and resolutions shall appear under the heading Final Action
32 in numerical order. The standing committee which reported it and the
33 Committee of the Whole action on the bill or resolution shall be shown
34 under each thereof.

35 **Rule 2702. Reading and Vote.** Each bill and resolution under the
36 order of business Final Action shall be read by title, except citations of
37 statutes amended or repealed and a roll call vote shall then be taken
38 upon final passage or adoption without amendment or debate.

39 **Rule 2703. Amendment and Debate, When.** Upon motion as
40 provided in subpart (2) of subsection (a) of Rule 2311 or when

1 recommended in the Committee of the Whole report which has been
2 adopted by the House, bills or resolutions may be debated and amended
3 on Final Action prior to the vote taken upon final passage or adoption.
4 Each bill or concurrent resolution considered under this Rule 2703 shall
5 be considered in the manner provided in Rule 1902 so far as it is
6 applicable. A motion to strike the enacting clause or resolving clause
7 shall be in order.

8 **Rule 2704. Speaker to Preside.** Subject to Rule 3303, the Speaker
9 shall preside during the order of business Final Action.

10 **Rule 2705. Consent Calendar.** Whenever a standing committee is
11 of the opinion that a bill or concurrent resolution upon which it is
12 reporting is of a noncontroversial nature, it shall so state in its
13 committee report. Whenever a bill or concurrent resolution is so
14 reported, it shall be placed upon the Consent Calendar. Each bill or
15 concurrent resolution placed on the Consent Calendar shall remain
16 thereon for at least two full legislative days before being considered
17 under the order of business Final Action. Under the order of business
18 Consent Calendar and prior to the call for the vote, any member may
19 object to the bill or concurrent resolution as being controversial and
20 thereupon it shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and shall be
21 placed on General Orders. If no objection is made prior to the call for
22 the vote on the bill or concurrent resolution, it shall be ordered to Final
23 Action for vote before other bills and concurrent resolutions on Final
24 Action.

25 **Rule 2706. Majority for Bill Passage.** As provided in section 13
26 of article 2 of the Constitution of Kansas, a majority of the members
27 then elected (or appointed) and qualified, voting in the affirmative,
28 shall be necessary for the passage of a bill.

29 **Rule 2707. Vote Required for Adoption of House Resolutions
30 and Concurrent Resolutions.** (a) A majority of the members then
31 elected (or appointed) and qualified voting in the affirmative shall be
32 necessary to adopt House resolutions and concurrent resolutions,
33 except as otherwise specified in these rules.

34 (b) Adoption of concurrent resolutions to amend the Constitution of
35 the state of Kansas, to call a Kansas constitutional convention, to
36 extend a session of the Legislature in even-numbered years, to ratify
37 any amendment of the Constitution of the United States, to make any
38 application for Congress to call a convention for proposing
39 amendments to the Constitution of the United States and when required
40 by the joint rules of the House and Senate shall require a 2/3 majority

1 of the members then elected (or appointed) and qualified, voting in the
2 affirmative.

3 **Rule 2708. Motion to Adopt Report of Conference Committee.**

4 The member carrying the report of a conference committee shall move
5 that such report be adopted prior to yielding the floor to any other
6 member and a motion to adopt a report of a conference committee shall
7 not be offered as a substitute motion.

8 **ARTICLE 29. RESOLUTIONS**

9 **Rule 2901. Resolving Clause; Form.** (a) Concurrent resolutions to
10 amend the Constitution of the state of Kansas, to call a Kansas
11 constitutional convention, to extend a session of the Legislature in
12 even-numbered years, to ratify any amendment of the Constitution of
13 the United States, to make any application for Congress to call a
14 convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United
15 States and when required by the joint rules of the House and Senate
16 shall have a resolving clause which reads, "Be it resolved by the
17 Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected to
18 the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected to
19 the Senate concurring therein."

20 (b) Concurrent resolutions for any purpose other than subsection (a)
21 shall have a resolving clause which reads, "Be it resolved by the House
22 of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring
23 therein."

24 (c) House resolutions shall have a resolving clause which reads,
25 "Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
26 Kansas."

27 **Rule 2902. House Resolutions; Introduction and Consideration.**

28 (a) House resolutions, except for those changing rules of the House or
29 approving or rejecting executive reorganization orders, shall lay over at
30 least one legislative day before action is taken thereon and do not
31 require a roll call vote unless required under subsection (e) of Rule
32 2507.

33 (b) House resolutions shall be considered under the order of
34 business consideration of motions and House resolutions offered on a
35 previous day, except House resolutions to (1) adopt, amend or revoke
36 any rule of the House or (2) when the resolution has been referred to a
37 standing committee and reported favorably. Resolutions under subparts
38 (1) and (2) shall take a place on General Orders when favorably
39 reported or when referred to the Committee of the Whole by the
40 Speaker.

1 **Rule 2903. Resolutions; Limitations.** (a) Appropriations shall not
2 be made by resolutions.

3 (b) Resolutions do not require approval of the Governor.

4 **Rule 2904. Applications for Introduction of certain Resolutions;**
5 **Committee on Calendar and Printing; Certificate of the House.**

6 Notwithstanding any other rule of the House of Representatives to the
7 contrary, no House resolution or concurrent resolution which
8 congratulates, commemorates, commends, honors or is in memory of
9 any individual, entity or event shall be introduced by a member or
10 committee of the House of Representatives unless application for
11 approval of the introduction of such resolution is first made to the
12 Committee on Calendar and Printing, and the resolution is approved for
13 introduction by the Committee on Calendar and Printing. The
14 application shall be determined on the basis of content alone. The
15 Committee on Calendar and Printing shall consider all such
16 applications and shall determine whether a House resolution or House
17 concurrent resolution should be approved for introduction, or whether a
18 certificate of the House should be approved for issuance or whether no
19 action should be taken on the application. The Committee on Calendar
20 and Printing shall report to the House the decision of the committee on
21 each application approved by the committee under this rule for the
22 introduction of a House resolution or House concurrent resolution or
23 issuance of a certificate of the House.

24 ARTICLE 33. MEMBER OFFICERS

25 **Rule 3301. Elected Member Officers.** The Speaker and the
26 Speaker Pro Tem shall be members and shall be elected by the
27 members of the House, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b)
28 of Rule 3304.

29 **Rule 3302. Duties of the Speaker.** In addition to other powers and
30 duties of the Speaker provided by the Rules of the House and by law,
31 the Speaker shall have the powers and duties as follows:

32 (a) To preserve order and decorum;

33 (b) to decide all questions of order, subject to appeal to the House;

34 (c) in the absence of the Speaker Pro Tem, to appoint any member
35 to perform the duties of the chair for not more than two consecutive
36 legislative days; and

37 (d) to name a chairperson to preside when the House is in
38 Committee of the Whole.

39 **Rule 3303. Speaker Pro Tem.** In the absence of the Speaker, the
40 Speaker Pro Tem shall exercise the powers and duties of the Speaker.

1 **Rule 3304. Filling Certain Vacancies.** (a) When a vacancy occurs
2 in the office of Speaker and the Legislature is adjourned to a date more
3 than 60 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the House of
4 Representatives shall meet within 30 days and elect a member to fill the
5 vacancy. The Speaker Pro Tem shall within 10 days of such occurrence
6 issue a call for such meeting at a time not less than 10 days and not
7 more than 20 days after the date of the call.

8 (b) When a vacancy occurs in the office of Speaker Pro Tem or
9 Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Speaker shall
10 appoint an acting Speaker Pro Tem or acting Majority Leader, to serve
11 until the convening of the next session of the Legislature, at which time
12 the vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for the original
13 election or selection of such officer.

14 (c) When a vacancy occurs in the office of Minority Leader of the
15 House of Representatives and the Legislature is adjourned to a date less
16 than 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the Assistant Minority
17 Leader shall become the acting Minority Leader to serve until the
18 convening of the next session of the Legislature, at which time the
19 vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for the original selection
20 of such officer. When a vacancy occurs in the office of the Minority
21 Leader of the House and the Legislature is adjourned to a date 30 days
22 or more after the occurrence of the vacancy, the Assistant Minority
23 Leader shall within 10 days after such occurrence issue a call for a
24 meeting of the members of the minority party at a time not less than 10
25 and not more than 20 days after the date of the call to be held in the
26 state capitol for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the office of
27 Minority Leader for the remainder of the term of office. From the time
28 of the occurrence of such vacancy until the filling of the vacancy, the
29 Assistant Minority Leader shall serve as acting Minority Leader and
30 shall exercise the powers and duties of the Minority Leader.

31 When a vacancy occurs in the office of Assistant Minority Leader,
32 the Minority Leader shall appoint an Assistant Minority Leader to serve
33 until the convening of the next session of the Legislature, at which time
34 the vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for the original
35 selection of such officer.

36 (d) Any person elected, appointed or designated to fill a vacancy
37 under this rule shall exercise all of the duties and powers prescribed for
38 the office so filled.

39 **ARTICLE 35. NONMEMBER OFFICERS**

40 **Rule 3501. Chief Clerk; Appointment.** The chief clerk shall be

1 appointed by the Speaker and shall serve under the Speaker's direction,
2 control and supervision and at the pleasure of the Speaker. As used in
3 the Rules of the House, "chief clerk" means the chief clerk appointed
4 under this Rule 3501 or a person designated by the chief clerk to
5 perform a function of the chief clerk.

6 **Rule 3502. Duties of the Chief Clerk.** The chief clerk shall
7 supervise the keeping of and be responsible for a record of all
8 proceedings of the House; number and present to the House all bills,
9 resolutions, petitions and other papers which the House may require;
10 deliver all messages from the House to the Senate; transmit bills and
11 other documents to be printed and take a receipt therefor; transmit bills
12 for engrossment and take receipt therefor; receive all bills, resolutions
13 and other papers which are enrolled and give receipt therefor; and cause
14 all enrolled bills, resolutions and other documents to be proofread and
15 corrected prior to signing thereof by officers of the House.

16 **Rule 3503. Other Clerks.** The chief clerk shall appoint additional
17 clerks and personnel to assist in performance of the duties of the chief
18 clerk. Such additional clerks and personnel shall serve under the chief
19 clerk's direction, control and supervision and at the pleasure of the chief
20 clerk.

21 **Rule 3504. Document Care.** No bill, resolution, petition or other
22 document shall be loaned or delivered to any person, except when
23 delivered to an officer of the House, to the director of printing, the
24 revisor of statutes or the Senate and only upon a written receipt
25 therefor.

26 **Rule 3505. Sergeant at Arms; Appointment.** The sergeant at arms
27 shall be appointed by the Speaker and shall serve under the Speaker's
28 direction, control and supervision and at the pleasure of the Speaker.

29 **Rule 3506. Duties of the Sergeant at Arms.** The sergeant at arms
30 shall preserve order within the chamber of the House and its lobby and
31 galleries. The sergeant at arms may arrest and take into custody any
32 person for disorderly conduct, subject at all times to the authority of the
33 House or Speaker, or chairperson of the Committee of the Whole, and
34 shall be responsible for the enforcement of Rules 501 through 506 and
35 2506(a). The sergeant at arms shall receive items or material for
36 distribution among the members of the House. The sergeant at arms
37 shall execute all orders of the House not otherwise provided for.

38 **Rule 3507. Assistant Sergeants at Arms.** The Speaker may
39 appoint and remove assistant sergeants at arms to serve under the
40 supervision of the sergeant at arms. All doorkeepers shall be assistant

1 sergeants at arms.

2 ARTICLE 37. AMENDMENT OF RULES OF THE HOUSE

3 **Rule 3701. Adopting, Amending or Revoking Rules of the**
4 **House.** No rule of the House shall be adopted, amended or revoked
5 except by a House resolution which has been adopted by an affirmative
6 vote of a majority of the members then elected (or appointed) and
7 qualified to the House.

8 **Rule 3702. Resolutions for Rule Changes.** (a) Notwithstanding
9 any other rule of the House, the Speaker shall refer all resolutions
10 which provide for the adoption, amendment or revocation of any House
11 rule to the standing Committee on Rules and Journal before its
12 consideration by the House.

13 (b) No resolution relating to the rules of the House which has been
14 referred to the standing Committee on Rules and Journal shall be tabled
15 or reported adversely by such committee except by the unanimous vote
16 of all members of such committee.

17 **Rule 3703. Printing.** Resolutions to which this Article 37 apply
18 shall be printed and are subject to subsection (c) of Rule 2507.

19 **Rule 3704. Adoption of Resolutions.** Resolutions to which this
20 Article 37 apply shall be subject to Rule 2902.

21 **Rule 3705. Special Sponsorship of Rule Change Resolutions.**
22 Notwithstanding any provision of the rules of the House to the contrary,
23 no referral to the standing Committee on Rules and Journal shall be
24 required for the adoption of a resolution adopting, amending or
25 revoking any one or more rules of the House at the commencement of a
26 legislative session, and adoption of any such resolution shall require
27 only the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the members
28 then elected (or appointed) and qualified, subject to the following
29 conditions: (a) The resolution is sponsored by the Speaker or the
30 standing Committee on Rules and Journal and (b) either (1) a copy
31 thereof is mailed to each member by deposit in the United States mails
32 not later than 11:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the Monday on
33 which the legislative session is to commence or (2) in lieu of mailing,
34 copies of the resolution are made available to members on the first day
35 of the legislative session and consideration under Rule 3704 occurs on
36 the second legislative day.

37 ARTICLE 39. FORM AND PRINTING OF BILLS AND
38 RESOLUTIONS

39 **Rule 3901. Bills Amending Existing Statutes.** Any bill intended to
40 amend or repeal any section or sections of the Kansas Statutes

1 Annotated shall recite in its title the section or sections to be amended
2 or repealed, and if to amend or repeal any section of a session law not
3 in Kansas Statutes Annotated, the section and chapter of the session law
4 affected.

5 **Rule 3902. Bills, Copies.** Each bill introduced shall consist of an
6 original and copies. All bills shall be printed with as many copies as the
7 Speaker specifies. Except for prefiled bills, printing shall be ordered
8 subsequent to introduction.

9 **Rule 3903. Showing Committee Amendments.** All bills and
10 resolutions reported by a committee with recommendation for
11 amendments and to be passed as amended shall be reprinted.

12 **Rule 3904. Substitute Bills and Substitute Concurrent**
13 **Resolutions.** (a) When a substitute bill is recommended by a committee
14 report, and when an amendment from the floor is adopted replacing the
15 bill under consideration with a substitute bill, the substitute bill shall be
16 printed in the manner provided for bills introduced, and the bill number
17 designation shall be substantially as follows:

18 (1) In the case of bills substituted for House bills, "Substitute for
19 House Bill No. _____," and the blank shall be filled with the number of
20 the bill for which substitution is made or recommended.

21 (2) In the case of bills substituted for Senate bills, "House
22 Substitute for Senate Bill No. _____," and the blank shall be filled with
23 the number of the bill for which substitution is made or recommended.

24 (b) When a substitute concurrent resolution is recommended by a
25 committee report, and when an amendment from the floor is adopted
26 replacing the concurrent resolution under consideration with a
27 substitute concurrent resolution, the substitute concurrent resolution
28 shall be printed in the manner provided for concurrent resolutions
29 introduced, and the concurrent resolution number designation shall be
30 substantially as follows:

31 (1) In the case of concurrent resolutions substituted for House
32 concurrent resolutions, "Substitute for House Concurrent Resolution
33 No. _____," and the blank shall be filled with the number of the
34 concurrent resolution for which substitution is made or recommended.

35 (2) In the case of concurrent resolutions substituted for Senate
36 concurrent resolutions, "House Substitute for Senate Concurrent
37 Resolution No. _____," and the blank shall be filled with the number of
38 the concurrent resolution for which substitution is made or
39 recommended.

40 **Rule 3905. Appropriation Bills.** All bills making an appropriation

1 shall be printed and distributed at least 24 hours before such bills are
2 considered by the House.

3 **Rule 3906. Committee of the Whole Amendments.** If a bill or
4 concurrent resolution is amended by the Committee of the Whole, it
5 shall be reprinted showing the amendments.

6 **Rule 3907. Concurrent Resolutions, When Printed. (a)**
7 Concurrent resolutions to amend the Constitution of Kansas, to call a
8 constitutional convention to amend the Kansas constitution, to ratify
9 amendments to the Constitution of the United States, to apply for a
10 United States constitutional convention or to amend the joint rules of
11 the House and Senate shall be printed as provided for bills under Rule
12 3902.

13 (b) Other concurrent resolutions shall be printed as provided for
14 bills under Rule 3902, unless otherwise directed by the Speaker.

15 **Rule 3908. Embellished Printing of Certain Resolutions.** Unless
16 otherwise directed by the Speaker, not more than five copies of any
17 enrolled House resolution and any enrolled House concurrent
18 resolution may be printed on embellished parchment and shall be
19 distributed as directed by the resolution. Additional copies of any
20 resolution may be printed on embellished parchment and mailed at the
21 expense of the member requesting such additional copies.

22 **Rule 3909. House Resolutions.** Subject to Rule 3908, House
23 resolutions shall not be printed, except resolutions to amend rules of the
24 House, to approve or disapprove executive reorganization orders or if
25 the resolution has been referred to a committee, in which cases the
26 resolution shall be printed.

27 ARTICLE 41. JOURNAL AND CALENDAR

28 **Rule 4101. Journal; Preparation.** The daily Journal of the House
29 of Representatives shall be prepared by the chief clerk in accordance
30 with the Rules of the House.

31 **Rule 4102. Entering in Journal.** When a bill, order, motion or
32 resolution is entered in the Journal, the names of the members or
33 legislative committee introducing or moving the same shall be entered.

34 **Rule 4103. Resolutions in Journal.** All House resolutions and all
35 House concurrent resolutions shall be printed in the Journal when
36 introduced.

37 **Rule 4104. Messages from the Governor in Journal.** All
38 messages from the Governor and all executive reorganization orders
39 shall be printed in the Journal.

40 **Rule 4105. Calendar; Preparation.** The House Calendar shall be

1 prepared for each legislative day by the chief clerk in accordance with
2 the Rules of the House.

3 **Rule 4106. Status of Bills and Resolutions Shown in Calendar.**

4 The status of all House and Senate bills and concurrent resolutions and
5 House resolutions shall be shown by number in the Calendar for each
6 legislative day.

7 **Rule 4107. Copies of Journals and Calendars.** Each member
8 shall be furnished with a printed copy of the daily Journal and the daily
9 Calendar.

10 ARTICLE 43. MISCELLANEOUS

11 **Rule 4301. Employees; Employment.** Such employees as are
12 necessary to enable the officers, members and committees to properly
13 perform their duties and transact the business of the House with
14 efficiency and economy shall be recruited under the supervision of the
15 director of legislative administrative services subject to approval of the
16 Speaker. The director of legislative administrative services shall keep a
17 roster of the employees of the House and an account of the hours of
18 service performed. No employee shall lobby for or against any measure
19 pending in the Legislature and any employee violating this rule shall be
20 discharged immediately.

21 **Rule 4302. Special Order.** Any matter may be made the special
22 order for any particular time or day, but all requests and motions for
23 special orders shall be referred to the Committee on Rules and Journal,
24 which may designate particular times and days for such special orders
25 and report to the House for its approval. Upon adoption of such report
26 by 2/3 of the members present, the matters designated shall stand as
27 special orders for the times stated, but no special order shall be made
28 more than seven days in advance. This Rule 4302 shall not apply to
29 executive reorganization orders or resolutions relating thereto.

30 **Rule 4303. Petitions; Presentation.** Petitions and memorials
31 addressed to the House shall be presented by a member.

32 **Rule 4304. Petitions; Endorse Name.** Each member presenting a
33 petition or memorial shall endorse it with their name or the name of the
34 committee, and a brief statement of its subject.

35 **Rule 4305. Open Meetings.** The open meeting law (K.S.A. 75-
36 4317 et seq. and amendments thereto) shall apply to meetings of the
37 House of Representatives and all of its standing committees, select
38 committees, special committees and subcommittees of any of such
39 committees.

40 ARTICLE 45. EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDERS

1 **Rule 4501. Referral of Executive Reorganization Orders.**

2 Whenever an executive reorganization order is received from the
3 Governor, it shall be referred to an appropriate committee by the
4 Speaker.

5 **Rule 4502. Committee Report on Executive Reorganization**

6 **Orders.** The committee to which an executive reorganization order is
7 referred shall report its recommendations upon every executive
8 reorganization order referred to it, in the form of a House resolution,
9 not later than the 60th calendar day of any regular session, and not later
10 than 30 calendar days after it has received such referral whichever of
11 the foregoing occurs first.

12 **Rule 4503. Return in Event of Committee's Failure to Report.**

13 In the event that a committee fails to report upon an executive
14 reorganization order and upon all resolutions relating thereto referred to
15 it within the time specified in Rule 4502, such committee shall be
16 deemed to have returned the same to the House without
17 recommendation thereon.

18 **Rule 4504. Special Order of Business for ERO.** When a report or
19 return of an executive reorganization order is made, it and all
20 resolutions for approval or disapproval thereof shall be made the
21 special order of business on a particular day and hour specified by the
22 Speaker but not later than the last day the executive reorganization
23 order may be disapproved under section 6 of article 1 of the
24 Constitution of Kansas. A resolution for approval or disapproval of an
25 executive reorganization order shall be considered under the order of
26 business Final Action and shall be subject to debate and final action by
27 the House.

28 **Rule 4505. Nonapplication to Bills.** This Article 45 shall not apply
29 to bills amending or otherwise affecting executive reorganization
30 orders.

31 **Rule 4506. Nonaction When Moot.** The House shall act to
32 approve or reject every executive reorganization order unless at the
33 time set for such action the Senate shall have already rejected such
34 executive reorganization order.

35 ARTICLE 47. IMPEACHMENT

36 **Rule 4701. Impeachment; Powers.** Nothing in the rules of the
37 House or in any statute shall be deemed to impair or limit the powers of
38 the House of Representatives with respect to impeachment.

39 **Rule 4702. Same; Select Committee.** The Speaker may appoint a
40 select committee comprised only of members of the House of

1 Representatives, and appoint its chairperson, to inquire into any
2 impeachment matter. Any such committee may be appointed at any
3 time and shall meet at the call of its chairperson or at the direction of
4 the House, with the numbers of such appointees being minority party
5 members and majority party members in the same proportion as for the
6 entire House membership.

7 **Rule 4703. Same; Reference.** The Speaker may refer any
8 impeachment inquiry or other impeachment matter to any standing
9 committee or any select committee appointed under Rule 4702, and any
10 committee to which such a referral has been made shall meet on the call
11 of its chairperson.

12 **Rule 4704. Same; Report.** Whenever a report is made by a
13 committee to which an impeachment inquiry or other impeachment
14 matter has been referred, the report thereon shall be made to the full
15 House of Representatives, except that any such report may be
16 submitted preliminarily to the Speaker.

17 **Rule 4705. Same; Call into Session.** The Speaker or a majority of
18 the members then elected (or appointed) and qualified of the House of
19 Representatives may call the House of Representatives into session at
20 any time to consider any impeachment matter.

21 **Rule 4706. Same; Procedure.** The Speaker and any officer or
22 committee acting under authority of this rule may follow any statutory
23 procedure to the extent the same is not in conflict with the provisions of
24 this rule, but nothing in this rule nor in any statute shall be deemed to
25 constitute a waiver of any inherent powers of the House of
26 Representatives.

27 ARTICLE 49. REPRIMAND, CENSURE OR EXPULSION OF
28 MEMBERS

29 **Rule 4901. Complaint.** When any member of the House of
30 Representatives desires to lodge a complaint against any other member
31 of the House of Representatives, requesting that the member be
32 reprimanded, censured or expelled for any misconduct, the complaining
33 member shall file a written statement of such complaint with the chief
34 clerk, and such complaint shall bear the signature of the complaining
35 member.

36 **Rule 4902. Select Committee; Consideration of Complaint.** (a)
37 Whenever any complaint has been filed under Rule 4901, the Speaker
38 shall appoint a select committee of six members for consideration
39 thereof except that if the complaint is filed against the Speaker, the
40 Speaker Pro Tem shall appoint the select committee of six members. A

1 select committee created under this subsection (a) shall be comprised
2 equally of majority and minority party members.

3 (b) The select committee may dismiss the complaint after the
4 inquiry or may set the matter for hearing. Reasonable notice and an
5 opportunity to appear shall be afforded the member complained of at
6 any hearing held hereunder. Any select committee meeting under
7 authority of this section shall constitute an investigating committee
8 under article 10 of chapter 46 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated and
9 shall be authorized to meet and exercise compulsory process without
10 any further authorization of any kind, subject, however, to limitations
11 and conditions prescribed in article 10 of chapter 46 of Kansas Statutes
12 Annotated.

13 (c) Upon completing its hearing the deliberations thereon, the select
14 committee may dismiss the complaint or may make recommendations
15 to the full House of Representatives for reprimand, censure or
16 expulsion.

17 **Rule 4903. Action by House.** Upon receiving any report under
18 Rule 4902, the House
19 of Representatives may, without further hearing or investigation,
20 reprimand, censure or expel the member complained of. Reprimand,
21 censure or expulsion of a member shall require a 2/3 majority vote of
22 those members elected (or appointed) and qualified of the House of
23 Representatives.