## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1137 Notice of Proposed Rule Change

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, that Senate Rule 25 be amended to read as follows:

"Rule 25. The president pro tem of the senate shall appoint the following standing committees:

- 1. Committee on Administration, 5 members.
- 2. Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources, 8 members.
- 3. Committee on Appropriations, 11 members.
- 4. Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment, 11 members.
- 5. Committee on Economic Development, 11 members.
- 6. Committee on Education, 9 members.
- 7. Committee on Fiscal Oversight, 7 members.
- 8. Committee on General Laws, 7 members.
- 9. Committee on Government Reform, 7 members.
- 10. Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments, 11 members.
- 11. Committee on Health and Pensions, 7 members.
- 12. Committee on Insurance and Banking, 7 members.
- 13. Committee on the Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence, 7 members.
- 14. Committee on Local Government and Elections, 7 members.
- 15. Committee on Professional Registration, 7 members.
- 16. Committee on Progress and Development, 4 members.
- 17. Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics, 7 members.
- 18. Committee on Seniors, Families and Children, 7 members.
- 19. Committee on Small Business and Industry, 8 members.
- 20. Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, 7 members.
- 21. Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs, 7 members.
- 22. Committee on Ways and Means, 7 members.

All committees shall have leave to report at any time. The chairman of any standing committee may appoint one or more subcommittees, with the approval of the committee, to hold hearings on bills referred to the committee and shall report its findings to the standing committee.

It is expected that members of the General Assembly and statewide elected state officials will have the opportunity to address matters that come before any standing or interim committee of the Senate within their respective official capacities. Therefore, the chairs of any such committee shall prohibit members of the General Assembly and statewide elected state officials from offering testimony at any such committee other than the sponsor of legislation pending before the committee. At the discretion of the chair, if there is an excusable absence of the sponsor of a bill pending before a committee, one member of the same house of the General Assembly as the sponsor may serve as a substitute to present the bill to the committee."

