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2019 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 13

October 10, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives Steineke and Vos.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

To amend assembly rule 42 (3) (c), assembly rule 73 (1) (a), assembly rule 73 (1) (b) and assembly rule 95 (6); and to create assembly rule 73 (3m); relating to: the assembly rules.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This resolution makes the following changes to the assembly rules:

Determination of legislative day for purposes of referral of proposals to calendar

Currently, the speaker may withdraw a proposal from a standing committee and rerefer it to another standing committee or to a special committee or refer it to the calendar for the second legislative day thereafter. To do this, the speaker must have the approval of the committee chairperson.

The resolution amends the assembly rules to provide that for purposes of determining "the second legislative day thereafter," the Monday before a scheduled floorperiod shall be counted as the first legislative day.

Reconsideration of assembly decisions on vetoes

Currently, assembly decisions on vetoes are not subject to reconsideration. The resolution amends the assembly rules to provide that assembly decisions on vetoes of proposals that failed to pass notwithstanding the objections of the governor are subject to reconsideration at any time and any number of times during the legislative biennium.

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Definition of assembly chamber

The resolution amends the assembly rules to exclude the offices of the majority leader from the definition of assembly chamber.

Resolved by the assembly, That:

SECTION 1. Assembly rule 42 (3) (c) is amended to read:

Assembly Rule 42 (3) (c) After initial referral by the speaker or presiding officer under sub. (1) (a) or (b) to an assembly committee but before a vote by the committee is commenced on a proposal, the speaker, with the consent of the chairperson and notwithstanding rule 15, may withdraw the proposal from the standing committee to which it was initially referred and rerefer it to another standing committee or to a special committee or refer it to the calendar for the 2nd legislative day thereafter. For the purpose of determining the 2nd legislative day thereafter, the Monday before a scheduled floorperiod shall be counted as the 1st legislative day. Rereferral under this rule may not be used to satisfy section 13.093 (1) of the statutes.

Section 2. Assembly rule 73 (1) (a) is amended to read:

Assembly Rule 73 (1) (a) May be applied only to: 1) final assembly decisions on amendments; and 2) final assembly decisions on proposals made at the conclusion of any given stage of a proposal's consideration; and 3) assembly decisions on a veto of a proposal that has failed to pass notwithstanding the objections of the governor.

Section 3. Assembly rule 73 (1) (b) is amended to read:

ASSEMBLY RULE 73 (1) (b) May not be applied to: 1) the assembly's approval of a conference committee report or of a resolution confirming a nomination for appointment under rule 51m; 2) the assembly's decision on a veto of a proposal that has passed notwithstanding the objections of the governor; or 3) an assembly action to recede from its position on a proposal so as to agree with the position of the senate.

SECTION 4. Assembly rule 73 (3m) is created to read:
Assembly Rule 73 (3m) A motion for reconsideration of a decision on a veto of
a proposal that has failed to pass notwithstanding the objections of the governor may
be entered at any time and any number of times during the legislative biennium.
Section 5. Assembly rule 95 (6) is amended to read:
Assembly Rule 95 (6) Assembly Chamber: The entire area west of the
easternmost doors of the assembly, including the visitor's galleries, lobbies, offices
of the speaker, majority leader, and minority leader and hallways.

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