

Senate Resolution No. 1704

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1 A RESOLUTION adopting rules for the Senate of the State of Kansas for
2 the terms of the Senators commencing with the 2021 regular session
3 of the Legislature.

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5 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: The following rules
6 shall be the rules of the Senate for the terms of the Senators
7 commencing with the 2021 regular session of the Legislature.

8 **RULES OF THE SENATE** 9 **2021-2024**

10 **Rule 1. Time of Meetings.** The Senate on the first day of a session
11 shall convene at 2:00 p.m., and at all other times shall convene at 2:30
12 p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

13 **Rule 2. Convening – Quorum – Assuming Duties of Chair.** (a) The
14 President shall take the chair at the hour fixed for the convening of the
15 Senate, and the roll shall be called in order to ascertain if a quorum is
16 present. A majority of the Senators then elected (or appointed) and
17 qualified shall constitute a quorum, and, in the absence of a quorum, the
18 Senators present, by majority vote, may take such measures as they shall
19 deem necessary to secure the presence of a quorum.

20 (b) In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall assume
21 the duties of the President. The President or Vice President may also
22 name any Senator to temporarily perform the duties of the chair, but the
23 Senator so named shall not act as President beyond adjournment, unless
24 by leave of the Senate. A Senator shall not lose the right of voting on any
25 subject while serving or acting as President.

26 **Rule 3. Absence of Member.** No Senator shall fail to attend when the
27 Senate is in session without first obtaining leave of the Senate, unless
28 prevented from attending by sickness or other sufficient cause.

29 **Rule 4. Order of Business and Session Proforma.** The order of
30 business, following the roll call and prayer by the Chaplain, shall be as
31 follows:

- 32 1. Introduction and reference of bills and concurrent resolutions.
- 33 2. Consideration of messages from the Governor.
- 34 3. Communications from state officers.
- 35 4. Consideration of messages from the House of Representatives.
- 36 5. Consideration of motions to concur or nonconcur.

- 1 6. Reports of select committees.
- 2 7. Consent Calendar.
- 3 8. Final Action on bills and concurrent resolutions.
- 4 9. Introduction of original motions and senate resolutions.
- 5 10. Correction and approval of the Journal.
- 6 11. Consideration of motions and senate resolutions.
- 7 12. Reports of standing committees.
- 8 13. General orders.

9 The Senate may meet from time to time for the sole purpose of
10 processing routine business of the Senate. These sessions shall be known
11 as Session Proforma.

12 (1) Time of Meeting. Session Proforma shall be announced at least
13 one legislative day in advance with the hour for meeting Proforma set on
14 the previous legislative day.

15 (2) Order of Business. The only orders of business that may be
16 considered during Session Proforma are:

- 17 (a) Introduction and reference of bills and concurrent resolutions.
- 18 (b) Receipts of messages from the Governor.
- 19 (c) Communications from state officers.
- 20 (d) Receipt of messages from the House of Representatives.
- 21 (e) Reports of select and standing committees.
- 22 (f) Presentation of petitions.

23 (3) Motions. No motion shall be in order other than the motion to
24 adjourn.

25 (4) Objections. Any objection by any member shall require the
26 Session Proforma to adjourn to the next day, Saturday and Sunday
27 excluded, at 2:30 p.m.

28 (5) Quorum and Roll. There shall be no requirement for a quorum or
29 taking of the roll. No demand for a roll call for a quorum shall be in
30 order.

31 (6) Effect of Certain Rules. If a legislative day referred to in Rule
32 11, 12, 28, 32, 33, 53, 56, 68 or 69 occurs on a legislative day which is
33 also the day on which a Session Proforma is held, the term "legislative
34 day" as used in such rule means the next legislative day subsequent to the
35 legislative day on which the Session Proforma is held.

36 The presentation of petitions shall be a special order of business on
37 Friday of each week immediately preceding the regular order of business.

38 **Rule 5. Business in Order at Any Time.** Messages from the
39 Governor, messages from the House of Representatives, introduction and
40 reference of bills and concurrent resolutions, reports of standing
41 committees and reports of select committees may be received and
42 considered under any order of business.

43 **Rule 6. Special Order.** Whenever any bill or other matter is made the

1 special order for a particular day, and shall not be reached or completed
 2 on that day, it shall be returned to its place in the General Orders, unless it
 3 shall be made the special order for another day. When any special order is
 4 under consideration, it shall take precedence over any special order for a
 5 subsequent hour of the same day, but such subsequent special order shall
 6 be taken up immediately after the previous order has been disposed of.
 7 Notation of a special order shall be placed before the first order of
 8 business on the calendar for that day, giving the subject to be considered
 9 and the time fixed for its consideration. When that time arrives, other
 10 business shall be suspended until the special order has been considered.

11 **Rule 7. Standing Committees.** (a) There shall be a standing
 12 committee named the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules
 13 which shall consist of three members, the chairperson of which shall be
 14 the president of the Senate, and the vice chairperson of which shall be the
 15 majority leader of the Senate. The Vice President of the Senate shall be a
 16 member of the committee. No bill or resolution other than resolutions
 17 adopting, amending or revoking rules of the Senate or Joint Rules of the
 18 Senate and House of Representatives, shall be introduced by or be
 19 referred to the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules.

20 (b) The following shall be the other standing committees:

	Number of members
21 1. Agriculture and Natural Resources.....	9
22 2. Assessment and Taxation	9
23 3. Commerce.....	11 9
24 4. Confirmation Oversight	6
25 5. Education.....	11 9
26 6. Ethics, Elections and Local Government	9
27 7. Federal and State Affairs.....	9
28 8. 7. Financial Institutions and Insurance	9
29 8. <i>Insurance</i>	9
30 9. Interstate Cooperation.....	7
31 10. Judiciary.....	11 9
32 11. <i>Local Government</i>	9
33 12. Public Health and Welfare.....	9
34 13. <i>Transparency and Ethics</i>	13
35 12.14. Transportation	11 9
36 13.15. Utilities	11 13
37 14.16. Ways and Means	13 9

38 (c) The president of the Senate, with the advice of the majority
 39 leader and the vice president of the Senate, shall appoint the members of
 40 each committee, shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson or
 41 vice chairpersons thereof and shall designate the ranking minority
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1 member of each committee. The minority leader shall submit
2 recommendations for the appointment of minority members to the
3 standing committees of the Senate to the Committee on Organization,
4 Calendar and Rules. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules
5 shall have a standing subcommittee on calendar which shall be the
6 president of the Senate, the vice president of the Senate and the majority
7 leader of the Senate. The Majority Leader shall be the chairperson of the
8 subcommittee. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may
9 establish such other subcommittees of the Committee on Organization,
10 Calendar and Rules as the Committee deems appropriate.

11 (d) The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules shall have
12 a standing subcommittee on rules which shall be the president of the
13 Senate, the vice president of the Senate, the majority leader of the Senate,
14 one member of the Senate from the majority party appointed jointly by
15 the president of the Senate, the vice president of the Senate and the
16 majority leader of the Senate and one member who shall be the minority
17 leader of the Senate or the designee of the minority leader. The
18 chairperson of the subcommittee on rules shall be the vice president of
19 the Senate. The subcommittee on rules shall consider rules questions
20 arising during a convening of the Senate.

21 (e) The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules and all of
22 its subcommittees may close their meetings.

23 (f) The two major political parties shall have proportional
24 representation on each standing committee other than the Committee on
25 Organization, Calendar and Rules. In the event application of the
26 preceding sentence results in a fraction, the party having a fraction
27 exceeding .5 shall receive representation as though such fraction were a
28 whole number.

29 (g) The Senate standing Committee on Agriculture and Natural
30 Resources shall constitute the successor committee to the Senate standing
31 Committee on Agriculture and the Senate standing Committee on Natural
32 Resources for purposes of references in statutory and other documents.
33 The Senate standing Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local
34 Government shall constitute the successor committee to the Senate
35 standing Committee on Ethics and Elections and the Senate standing
36 Committee on Local Government.

37 (h) *For purposes of references in statutes and other documents, the*
38 *Senate standing Committee on Insurance shall constitute the successor*
39 *committee to the Senate standing Committee on Financial Institutions*
40 *and Insurance regarding insurance matters, the Senate standing*
41 *Committee on Local Government shall constitute the successor*
42 *committee to the Senate standing Committee on Ethics, Elections and*
43 *Local Government regarding local government matters and the Senate*

1 *standing Committee on Transparency and Ethics shall constitute the*
2 *successor committee to the Senate standing Committee on Ethics,*
3 *Elections and Local Government regarding ethics and election matters.*

4 **Rule 8. Special and Select Committees.** Special and Select
5 committees of the Senate and the Chairperson thereof shall be appointed
6 by the President.

7 **Rule 9. Standing Committees – Duties of Chairperson, etc.** (a) The
8 chairperson of each committee shall preside at all meetings of the
9 committee. The chairperson may designate another member to preside in
10 the absence of the chairperson and vice chairperson.

11 (b) The chairperson of each committee may call a special meeting of
12 the committee when necessary.

13 (c) The chairperson shall have full charge of the committee.

14 (d) The chairperson of each committee shall cause minutes of each
15 meeting of the committee to be prepared, subject to approval of the
16 committee within 14 session days or by sine die adjournment, whichever
17 is earlier. Minutes shall show the action taken by the committee upon
18 each bill or resolution considered and the amendments if any voted upon
19 and the disposition of each, whether adopted or not. At the request of the
20 author of a bill or resolution or any amendment to a bill or resolution, or
21 on request of any member of the committee, the intent of the author shall
22 be stated in the committee minutes. At the conclusion of each legislative
23 session, copies of all committee minutes shall be filed with the Director
24 of Legislative Administrative Services.

25 **Rule 10. Vote in Senate Committee.** At the time of taking any action
26 upon any bill or resolution, any member of a committee may demand a
27 division of the vote and the chairperson shall be required to record the
28 number of votes for and against the action as a part of the minutes.

29 **Rule 11. Committee Action on Bills and Resolutions.** (a) A
30 committee may recommend that the Senate act favorably, unfavorably or
31 without recommendation upon any measure or may recommend
32 amendments to measures referred to it which are germane to the subject
33 of the measure. If a committee recommends amendments to a bill or
34 resolution referred to it which strike out all of the material in the bill or
35 resolution subsequent to the enacting clause or resolving clause and
36 inserts new material, and the bill or resolution was sponsored by an
37 individual member or members, the committee becomes the sponsor of
38 the bill or resolution and the committee name will be printed on the bill or
39 resolution as the sponsor. Committee recommendations shall be made by
40 committee report to the Senate. Committee reports shall be signed by the
41 chairperson, and shall be transmitted to the Senate not later than the
42 second legislative day following the action of the committee.

43 (b) When a committee fails to report on any bill or resolution

1 following reference to such committee, it may be withdrawn from the
2 committee by an affirmative vote of 24 members of the Senate on a
3 motion made as provided in this subsection. Such a motion shall be made
4 in writing, giving the reasons for withdrawal from the committee. Such
5 motion shall be made under the order of business introduction and notice
6 of original motions and Senate resolutions. Only one bill or resolution
7 may be named in such a motion. The motion shall be read by the reading
8 clerk or the member making the motion and shall be printed in the
9 calendar of the next legislative day under the order of business
10 consideration of motions and Senate resolutions offered on a previous
11 day. The motion shall be considered on the legislative day following the
12 day it is made. If the motion prevails, the bill or resolution shall be placed
13 on the calendar under the order of business General Orders.

14 (c) Motions to withdraw a bill or resolution from a committee are
15 not subject to amendment or debate.

16 **Rule 12. Adversely Reported Bills and Resolutions.** All bills or
17 resolutions adversely reported shall go upon the Calendar for one day,
18 under the head of Bills Adversely Reported. A motion to place an
19 adversely reported bill (or resolution) under the order of business General
20 Orders on the Calendar shall be made when the bill (or resolution) is
21 upon the Calendar and shall be made when Introduction of Original
22 Motions and Senate Resolutions is in order, and that motion shall then lie
23 over until the next legislative day when the order of business
24 Consideration of Motions and Senate Resolutions is reached, but if such
25 motion is defeated once it shall not be renewed. If an adversely reported
26 bill or resolution has been previously referred separately under Rule 32
27 (authorizing the reference of the same bill or resolution to two or more
28 standing committees), then the motion shall be to return the adversely
29 reported bill (or resolution) with the committee report attached to the next
30 committee to which it was referred. If the motion to place the bill (or
31 resolution) on the Calendar under the order of business General Orders or
32 to return the bill (or resolution) to the next committee of reference shall
33 prevail, then the words "Adversely Reported" shall be printed in a line
34 underneath the title of the bill or resolution, and to prevail such motion
35 shall require an affirmative vote of 24 members of the Senate.

36 **Rule 13. When Bill or Concurrent Resolution Placed on General**
37 **Orders.** When a bill or a concurrent resolution to amend the constitution
38 has been reported to the Senate by a committee with the recommendation
39 that it pass or be adopted, it shall immediately be placed on the Calendar
40 under the order of business General Orders.

41 **Rule 14. Address the President – To Be Recognized – Speak But**
42 **Twice on the Same Subject.** Every Senator rising to debate or to present
43 any matter shall address the President and shall not proceed until

1 recognized. When two or more Senators shall address the President at the
2 same time, the President shall name the Senator who is to speak first. No
3 Senator, except for the Senator who is carrying a bill, resolution or report,
4 shall speak more than twice on the same day on the same subject without
5 leave of the Senate.

6 **Rule 15. No Senator Shall Be Interrupted.** No Senator, when
7 speaking shall be interrupted except by a call to order by the presiding
8 officer, or by a Senator through the presiding officer, desiring to ask a
9 question. If a Senator speaking yields to a question, the interruption shall
10 be confined solely to such question. Senators shall be referred to as "the
11 Senator from _____" (naming the Senator's home county) followed by
12 the Senator's title and name.

13 **Rule 16. Personal Privilege.** Senators raising a point of personal
14 privilege shall confine themselves to remarks which concern themselves
15 personally and shall not address or debate matters under consideration by
16 the Senate.

17 **Rule 17. Questions of Order – How Determined.** A question of
18 order may be raised at any time and when a Senator shall be called to
19 order the Senator shall stop speaking until the presiding officer has
20 determined whether the Senator was in order. Every question of order
21 shall be decided by the presiding officer, subject to an appeal to the
22 Senate by any member. The vote on an appeal to the Senate under this
23 rule shall not be a roll call vote. Every appeal on a question of order shall
24 be taken without debate.

25 **Rule 18. Explaining Votes.** Senators may explain their votes only
26 upon the call of their names upon any roll call vote, but not more than
27 two minutes shall be allowed for any explanation. The explanation shall
28 be inserted in the Journal if the Senator makes a request at the time of
29 voting or makes a request of the Secretary of the Senate prior to
30 adjournment, and the written explanation is presented to the Secretary of
31 the Senate during or within two hours following that day's adjournment
32 on the same legislative day. No Senator in explaining a vote may use the
33 name of or otherwise identify any other Senator as part of the explanation
34 without the consent of the other Senator. No written explanation shall
35 contain more than 200 words. If the written explanation contains more
36 than 200 words, only the first 200 words of the explanation shall be
37 printed in the journal.

38 **Rule 19. Vote Unless Excused – Contempt.** Any Senator, who is
39 directly interested in a question, may be excused from voting, even
40 though there is a call of the Senate. The Senator, who is requesting to be
41 excused from voting, shall state the reasons for the request, occupying not
42 more than five minutes. Such statements shall be made either
43 immediately before or immediately after the vote is called but before the

1 result is announced. The question on excusing any Senator from voting
2 shall be taken without debate and a majority of those voting shall be
3 necessary to excuse the Senator. If a Senator refuses to vote, when not
4 excused, such refusal shall constitute contempt and the President shall, in
5 such case, order the offending Senator before the bar of the Senate and all
6 privileges of membership shall be refused such Senator until the
7 contempt is corrected as determined by vote of the Senate.

8 **Rule 20. When Not Permitted to Vote.** No Senator shall be allowed
9 to vote unless the Senator is seated in the Senator's assigned seat within
10 the Senate chamber when the vote is taken.

11 **Rule 21. Filling Certain Vacancies.** (a) When a vacancy occurs in the
12 office of President and the Legislature is adjourned to a date more than 60
13 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the Senate shall meet within 30
14 days and elect a member to fill the vacancy. The Vice President shall
15 within 10 days of such occurrence issue a call for the meeting at a time
16 not less than 10 days and not more than 20 days after the date of the call.

17 (b) When a vacancy occurs in the office of Vice President or
18 majority leader of the Senate, and the Legislature is adjourned to a date
19 more than 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the President shall
20 appoint an acting Vice President or acting majority leader to serve until
21 the convening of the next session of the Legislature, at which time the
22 vacancy shall be filled as though the acting interim appointment had not
23 been made.

24 (c) When a vacancy occurs in the office of minority leader of the
25 Senate and the Legislature is adjourned to a date more than 30 days after
26 the occurrence of the vacancy, the assistant minority leader shall become
27 the acting minority leader to serve until the convening of the next session
28 of the Legislature, at which time the vacancy shall be filled as though the
29 acting minority leader had not so served.

30 (d) It is the intention of this rule that any person elected, appointed
31 or designated to serve in accordance herewith to fill a vacancy shall
32 exercise all of the duties and powers of the office so filled.

33 **Rule 22. Party Affiliation – Change.** If any Senator changes political
34 party affiliation: (1) From the political party of such Senator at the time
35 of the Senator's election; or (2) if the Senator was appointed, from the
36 political party of the district convention which elected such person to be
37 so appointed, the following shall apply:

38 (a) Such Senator shall be removed from all memberships on
39 standing and other committees, from all positions of chairperson or vice
40 chairperson of a standing or other committee, and from any office of the
41 Senate held at the time of such change. The Committee on Organization,
42 Calendar and Rules shall appoint a Senator to fill any vacancy which
43 arises under this subpart (a).

1 (b) The proportion of Senators from major political parties on each
2 standing committee originally determined under Rule 7 (providing for
3 proportional representation of members of political parties upon standing
4 committees) shall not be altered. The Committee on Organization,
5 Calendar and Rules shall fill each standing committee member position
6 vacated by such Senator by appointing a Senator of the political party
7 from which such Senator changed.

8 **Rule 23. Open Meetings Provisions.** The open meeting law (K.S.A.
9 75-4317 et seq., and amendments thereto) shall apply to meetings of the
10 Senate and all of its standing committees, select committees, special
11 committees and subcommittees of any of such committees. Caucuses of
12 Senate majority and minority parties and meetings of the Committee on
13 Organization, Calendar and Rules and its subcommittees may be closed.

14 **Rule 24. Motions in Writing.** All motions to amend bills and
15 resolutions shall be made in writing, and upon request of any Senator
16 shall be read by the reading clerk before being voted upon. All other
17 motions shall be reduced to writing when desired by any Senator.

18 **Rule 25. Motions Withdrawn.** Any motion may be withdrawn by the
19 maker before amendment or decision is made thereon except as the
20 foregoing is modified by Rule 40 (relating to procedure in the committee
21 of the whole).

22 **Rule 26. Motions in Order When Question Under Debate.** When a
23 question is under debate, no motion shall be in order, except:

24 Not Debatable

- 25 1. To fix time to which to adjourn.
- 26 2. To adjourn.
- 27 3. To lay on the table.
- 28 4. For the previous question.
- 29 5. To recess to a time certain.

30 Debatable

- 31 6. To postpone to a day certain.
- 32 7. To commit to a standing committee.
- 33 8. To commit to a special committee.
- 34 9. To commit to the Committee of the Whole.
- 35 10. To amend.
- 36 11. To postpone indefinitely.

37 The several motions specified in this rule shall have precedence in the
38 order named and the first five shall be decided without debate.

39 **Rule 27. Division of Question.** (a) If the question in debate contains
40 several points, any Senator may have the same divided, but a motion to
41 strike out and insert shall be indivisible. When a bill or resolution is under
42 consideration in the Senate and after debate is concluded and final action
43 has been announced on the bill or resolution, a request for division of

1 question shall not be in order.

2 (b) A request for division of question shall be in writing specifying
3 the manner in which the question is to be divided.

4 (c) The rejection of a motion to strike out and insert one proposition
5 shall not prevent a motion to strike out and insert another proposition, nor
6 prevent a subsequent motion simply to strike out; nor shall the rejection
7 of a motion simply to strike out prevent a subsequent motion to strike out
8 and insert.

9 **Rule 28. Reconsideration of Pending Matters.** When a question has
10 been once put and decided it shall be in order for any Senator who voted
11 with the prevailing side to move for a reconsideration thereof, but no
12 motion for reconsideration of any vote shall be in order after the bill,
13 resolution, message, report, amendment or motion, upon which the vote
14 was taken, shall have gone out of the possession of the Senate, nor shall
15 any motion for reconsideration be in order unless made on the same day
16 on which the vote was taken or the next legislative day. No question shall
17 be reconsidered more than once.

18 **Rule 29. Previous Questions.** Five Senators shall have the right to
19 move the previous question on any bill, resolution, message, report,
20 amendment, or motion. If no amendment is pending the previous question
21 shall be as follows: "Shall the main question be now put?" If the previous
22 question is decided in the affirmative by a majority vote of those present,
23 the main question shall be put without further amendment or debate. If
24 amendments are pending a motion for the previous question shall concern
25 only the last amendment that is pending on which, if the previous
26 question is adopted, the debate will be closed only upon such amendment.
27 The previous question on other questions than the main question shall be
28 as follows: "Shall the question on the (amendment, amendment of an
29 amendment, substitute or other motion affecting same as the case may be)
30 now be put?"

31 **Rule 30. Endorsement on Bills, etc.** Before any bill, resolution or
32 petition, addressed to the Senate, shall be received or read, the title of the
33 bill or resolution or a brief statement of the contents of the petition shall
34 be typed on the jacket, with the name of the Senator or committee
35 introducing it.

36 **Rule 31. Introduction of Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.** Every
37 bill and concurrent resolution shall be introduced by a Senator, by a
38 committee, on the report of a committee, by message from the House of
39 Representatives, or by proper prefiling as provided by law. For the
40 purpose of introduction, every bill and concurrent resolution shall be
41 placed in the possession of the secretary and the reading clerk shall read
42 the title, except citations of statutes amended or repealed. The reading
43 clerk shall also read the name of the sponsor of the bill or resolution if it

1 has a single sponsor. If the bill or resolution has two sponsors the reading
2 clerk shall read the names of both sponsors, but if the bill or resolution
3 has more than two sponsors the reading clerk shall read the name of the
4 first sponsor together with the words "and others."

5 **Rule 32. Reference of Bills and Resolutions.** All bills and resolutions
6 shall be referred or rereferred to appropriate standing committees, special
7 or select committees appointed under Rule 8 or the Committee of the
8 Whole by the President. Upon the day of its introduction or upon the next
9 legislative day, the President shall refer every bill and each concurrent
10 resolution to be referred to the appropriate standing committee, special or
11 select committees appointed under Rule 8 or the Committee of the
12 Whole. Bills or resolutions prefiled under K.S.A. 46-801 et seq., and
13 amendments thereto, may be referred by the President to the appropriate
14 standing committee, special or select committees appointed under Rule 8
15 or the Committee of the Whole at any time subsequent to the prefiling of
16 such bill or resolution with the secretary of the senate. Bills introduced by
17 committees, if germane to the purpose and scope of the committee, may
18 be referred to the Committee of the Whole; otherwise to the appropriate
19 standing committee or special or select committees appointed under Rule
20 8. All bills making an appropriation shall be referred to the Committee on
21 Ways and Means. The President may refer a bill or resolution to two or
22 more standing committees or special or select committees appointed
23 under Rule 8, or any combination thereof, jointly, or separately, in such
24 order as the President may direct, and such bill or resolution, when so
25 referred, shall be considered by the committees in joint meeting, or by
26 each of the committees separately in the order named in the reference,
27 and when the reference is made jointly, the chairperson of the committee
28 named first shall be chairperson of the joint committee.

29 **Rule 33. Consent Calendar and Recording Reports.** Whenever a
30 standing committee is of the opinion that a bill or resolution upon which
31 it is reporting is of non-controversial nature, it shall so state in its
32 committee report. Whenever a bill or resolution is so reported, it shall be
33 placed upon a separate calendar, to be known as the Consent Calendar.
34 Each bill or resolution appearing on the Consent Calendar shall remain
35 thereon for at least two full legislative days before being considered
36 under the order of business Final Action. At any time prior to the call for
37 the vote under the order of business Final Action on a bill or resolution on
38 the Consent Calendar, any member may object to the same as being
39 controversial and the same shall be stricken from the Consent Calendar
40 and take its place on General Orders in the usual order. If no such
41 objection is made prior to the call for such vote on the bill or resolution, it
42 shall be voted upon with other bills and resolutions under the order of
43 business Final Action but before consideration of other bills or

1 resolutions appearing on the calendar under such order of business.

2 **Rule 34. Final Action on Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.** On
3 final action on any bill or concurrent resolution, the reading clerk shall
4 read the title, except citations to statutes amended or repealed. If the bill
5 is reported for final action without debate, the question shall be at once
6 put: "Shall the bill pass?" No debate shall be allowed, and no motion shall
7 be in order except the motion for a call of the Senate, unless in case
8 where a bill has been ordered to be placed on final action subject to
9 amendment, or to amendment and debate or unless by the unanimous
10 consent of the Senate, amendments may be made and considered. Like
11 procedure shall apply to concurrent resolutions except that the question
12 put shall be: "Shall the resolution be adopted?" On final action, bills and
13 resolutions may be bulked together for roll call unless objection be made
14 by any Senator.

15 **Rule 35. Final Passage by Yeas and Nays.** The question upon the
16 final passage of a bill and every concurrent resolution for amendment of
17 the constitution of Kansas or ratification of an amendment to the
18 Constitution of the United States shall be taken by a roll call vote of the
19 yeas and nays, which shall be entered on the Journal, and unless the bill
20 or concurrent resolution receives the number of votes required by the
21 constitution to pass it, it shall be declared lost, except in cases provided
22 for in Rule 36 (relating to the absence of a quorum).

23 **Rule 36. No Quorum on Final Vote – Effect.** If, on taking the vote
24 on final action on a bill or concurrent resolution, it shall appear that a
25 quorum is not present, then the bill or concurrent resolution shall retain
26 its place on the Calendar and shall again be considered for final action
27 when that order of business is again taken up by the Senate.

28 **Rule 37. Roll Call Vote.** A roll call vote shall be taken upon all
29 questions upon the demand of five Senators.

30 **Rule 38. Call of Senate – When Made – How Enforced.** (a) A call of
31 the Senate may be had upon the demand of five Senators, pending a roll
32 call on the final passage of any bill or resolution, or on any motion to
33 strike the enacting clause of a bill or the resolving clause of a resolution,
34 or indefinitely postpone any bill or resolution, and before the result is
35 announced. When a call is demanded, the President shall order the doors
36 of the Senate to be closed and all members to be in their seats unless
37 excused by the President. The President shall direct the Secretary to call
38 the roll of the Senators and note the absentees, after which the names of
39 the absentees shall be again called, and those for whose absence no
40 sufficient excuse is given may be sent for and taken into custody by the
41 Sergeant at Arms, or by Assistant Sergeants at Arms appointed for the
42 purpose, and brought before the bar of the Senate, where unless excused
43 by a majority of the Senators present, they shall be reprovved by the

1 President for the neglect of duty.

2 (b) No motion to dispense with further proceedings under the call of
3 the Senate shall be entertained until the President shall be satisfied that
4 the Sergeant at Arms has made diligent effort to secure the attendance of
5 the absentees.

6 **Rule 39. Roll Call Votes.** Every Senator in the Senate chamber when
7 a roll call is taken shall respond when the Senator's name is called. If
8 there is a call of the Senate, the Senator must vote Yea or Nay, except as
9 provided in Rule 19 (Senators excused from voting if directly interested
10 in the question). When there is no call of the Senate, the Senator may pass
11 and shall be recorded in the Journal as present and passing. After the roll
12 is completed and before the roll is closed, a Senator may change such
13 Senator's vote. No vote shall be recorded and no change in vote may be
14 made without unanimous consent of the Senate after announcement by
15 the presiding officer that the roll is closed. No motion shall be in order
16 during a roll call vote except as provided under Rule 34 for final action
17 on bills and concurrent resolutions and except for a call of the Senate.

18 **Rule 40. Committee of the Whole.** On motion the Senate may go
19 into Committee of the Whole. The President shall appoint a chairperson
20 to preside over the Committee of the Whole. The rules of the Senate shall
21 be observed in the Committee of the Whole, so far as applicable except
22 that there shall be no limit on the number of times of speaking and Rule
23 38 (authorizing a call of the senate) shall not apply. A motion to lay on the
24 table or a call for the previous question shall not be in order. No substitute
25 motion to amend a bill or resolution shall be in order. A substitute motion
26 to report a bill or resolution to the full Senate once made shall be decided
27 subject only to debate and Rule 50 (motion to strike the enacting or
28 resolving clause). A roll call shall be had on any question subject to the
29 requirements of Rule 37.

30 **Rule 41. No Quorum in Committee of the Whole – Procedure.** If at
31 any time, when in Committee of the Whole, it be ascertained that there is
32 no quorum present, the chairperson shall immediately vacate the chair
33 and report the fact to the President.

34 **Rule 42. How Bills or Resolutions Considered – Committee of the**
35 **Whole.** Bills or resolutions shall be considered in Committee of the
36 Whole in the following manner: The standing committee report shall first
37 be considered and if it is adopted the bill or resolution as amended by the
38 committee report shall be considered section by section, and as each
39 section is considered, amendments from the floor are in order to that
40 section. If the committee report is not adopted, the bill or resolution,
41 without committee amendments, shall be considered section by section,
42 and as each section is considered amendments from the floor are in order
43 to that section. After a section has been considered, no amendment

1 thereto shall be in order until the whole bill or resolution has been read
2 through. After the original bill or resolution, together with standing
3 committee amendments, has been considered section by section the
4 chairperson shall announce "Amendments to the bill (or resolution)
5 generally are in order," and amendments not before offered may be made
6 to any part of the bill or resolution. A motion to amend the bill or
7 resolution shall not be in order while a motion to strike the enacting
8 clause or resolving clause is pending.

9 **Rule 43. Amendments.** (1) Amendments to bills shall be germane to
10 the subject of the bill being amended, and the fact that an amendment is
11 to a section in the same chapter of the Kansas Statutes Annotated as an
12 existing section in the bill shall not automatically render the amendment
13 germane. Amendments to concurrent resolutions for amendments of the
14 constitution of Kansas or ratification of an amendment to the Constitution
15 of the United States shall be germane to the subject of the resolution
16 being amended.

17 (2) All amendments to bills or resolutions shall be submitted in
18 writing on a form provided by the Senate or on a form substantially
19 similar. All amendments to printed bills or resolutions shall specify the
20 page and line number as shown on the printed bill or resolution. If a bill
21 or resolution has not been printed, amendments must refer to the typed
22 bill or resolution. All amendments adopted shall be recorded in the
23 Journal. The action taken on all amendments, whether adopted or
24 rejected, shall be recorded in the Journal. When a bill or resolution has
25 been amended, it shall be engrossed before it is enrolled.

26 (3) In the case of amendment by substitute bill or by substitute
27 concurrent resolution, motion shall be made to substitute a written bill or
28 concurrent resolution for the bill or concurrent resolution under
29 consideration.

30 (4) A motion to amend a motion to amend a bill or resolution shall
31 not be in order.

32 **Rule 44. Report of Committee of the Whole Subject to**
33 **Amendment – Time for.** The report of the Committee of the Whole is
34 subject to amendment to correctly reflect what has occurred in the
35 Committee of the Whole by motions made at the time the report is offered
36 for adoption by the Senate. When a bill is reported with the
37 recommendation that the enacting clause be stricken, and the report is
38 agreed to by the Senate, the bill shall be considered killed.

39 **Rule 45. Motion for Committee of the Whole to Rise and Report**
40 **Progress.** A motion that the Committee of the Whole shall rise and report
41 progress on any bill shall always be in order and shall be decided without
42 debate, and the matter being considered shall be the first order of business
43 at the next session of the committee, subject to such postponement as the

1 subsequent Committee of the Whole may determine. After a motion to
2 rise and report progress has been adopted, the Subcommittee on Calendar
3 of the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may change for
4 the resumption of the current session of the Committee of the Whole the
5 order of consideration of bills and resolutions.

6 **Rule 46. Division of the Senate.** Whenever a voice vote has been
7 taken upon any question in either the Senate or the Committee of the
8 Whole, any Senator may call for a division of the Senate or Committee of
9 the Whole.

10 **Rule 47. Bills and Resolutions to Final Action.** When the Committee
11 of the Whole shall favorably report a bill or resolution, and the report is
12 adopted by the Senate, the bill or resolution shall be considered as
13 ordered to the order of business Final Action. The vote upon the final
14 passage of the bill shall not be taken on the same day on which the bill is
15 placed on Final Action. Bills and resolutions to be sent to the House shall
16 be properly corrected under the supervision of the Secretary of the
17 Senate. The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to correct misspelled
18 words, punctuation and "doublets" or repeated words when preparing
19 bills, resolutions or other documents for signature by officers of the
20 Senate and House.

21 **Rule 48. Bills and Resolutions – Inclusion of Amendments.** When a
22 bill or resolution is amended, the Secretary of the Senate shall attach to
23 the original copy all amendments made in the Senate. Substitute bills and
24 substitute concurrent resolutions shall accompany the bill or concurrent
25 resolution for which each is substituted. Upon passage, Senate bills or
26 resolutions, including the original copy and amendments, shall be
27 transmitted to the House.

28 **Rule 49. Reports of Transmittals in Journal – Committee –**
29 **Reports.** Report of transmittal of bills and resolutions to the House shall
30 be immediately entered upon the Journal.

31 **Rule 50. Motion to Strike Enacting or Resolving Clause – Debate**
32 **Limited.** No Senator may speak more than twice on a motion to strike the
33 enacting clause of a bill or the resolving clause of a resolution, and no
34 other motion, except a motion to adjourn, shall be in order until the
35 motion to strike the enacting clause or resolving clause has been decided
36 by roll call vote.

37 **Rule 51. Two-thirds Vote Not Necessary Except on Final Passage**
38 **of Resolution.** When a resolution requiring a vote of 2/3 of the Senate for
39 adoption is under consideration, a vote of 2/3 shall not be needed to
40 decide any question short of its final passage, except as provided by these
41 rules.

42 **Rule 52. Bills and Resolutions Considered in Regular Order.** The
43 Subcommittee on Calendar of the Committee on Organization, Calendar

1 and Rules shall designate from day to day and from time to time the bills
2 and resolutions to be considered that day and on the next legislative day,
3 and the order of consideration fixed by this subcommittee shall not be
4 changed, except by unanimous consent or by a 2/3 vote of all the
5 members of the Senate then elected (or appointed) and qualified, if
6 unanimous consent is refused, or as provided in Rule 45.

7 **Rule 53. Changing Order on Calendar.** Not more than one bill or
8 resolution may be named in a motion to change the order of the Calendar,
9 and on each motion no Senator except the Senator making the motion
10 shall speak more than once, nor longer than two minutes.

11 **Rule 54. Resolutions – Classes – Procedures Thereon.** Resolutions
12 shall be of the following classes: (1) Senate resolutions; and (2) Senate
13 concurrent resolutions. In acting on them, the Senate shall observe the
14 following procedure:

15 (1) Senate resolutions shall be in writing, shall be read and shall lie
16 over one day. Senate resolutions other than resolutions for the amendment
17 of rules of the Senate shall not be printed unless ordered by the Senate.
18 There shall be no roll call unless ordered. With the consent of the
19 majority of Senators present and voting, either the requirement to read
20 Senate resolutions or the requirement to lie over one day, or both, may be
21 dispensed with.

22 (2) Senate concurrent resolutions shall be in writing, shall be read by
23 title, and shall lie over one day. All Senate concurrent resolutions shall be
24 printed, and shall require a roll call on motion to adopt. Propositions to
25 amend the constitution shall be made by concurrent resolution and
26 referred to the proper committee. Other concurrent resolutions may be
27 referred to a proper committee by the President.

28 (3) Notwithstanding any other rule of the Senate to the contrary, no
29 Senator shall request and be the primary sponsor of more than three
30 Senate resolutions or concurrent resolutions which congratulate,
31 commemorate, commend, honor or are in memory of any individual,
32 entity or event during a legislative session of the Senate, except upon
33 approval of the President.

34 All House concurrent resolutions, when in the Senate, shall follow the
35 same procedure as Senate concurrent resolutions.

36 This rule shall not apply to resolutions relating to the business of the
37 day, nor to resolutions for organization or adjournment.

38 **Rule 55. Confirmation of Appointments by Governor or Other**
39 **State Official.** All nominations or appointments made by the governor or
40 other state official, which are subject to Senate confirmation, may be
41 considered and acted upon by the Senate in either executive or regular
42 session except that no final action thereon may be taken in executive
43 session. When nominations or appointments are made by the governor or

1 other state official for confirmation by the Senate, they shall, unless
2 otherwise ordered by the President, be referred to appropriate committees
3 by the President. Nominations or appointments referred to committees
4 shall be returned to the Senate within 20 legislative days after the same
5 are referred, together with a report thereon, unless additional time be
6 granted by a majority vote of senators present. If the nomination or
7 appointment is not returned to the Senate within the period of time
8 specified for its return and additional time has not been granted, the
9 nomination or appointment shall be considered to be returned to the
10 Senate without recommendation on the next legislative day following the
11 last day of the period of time specified for its return. Any such
12 appointment may be considered and acted upon by the Senate at any time
13 after the nomination or appointment is returned to the Senate. The
14 chairperson of the committee which recommends for confirmation a
15 nomination or appointment may speak more than twice on the same day
16 on the subject of the nomination or appointment. No motion to confirm
17 any such appointment or nomination shall be in order without the
18 unanimous consent of the Senate until the nomination or appointment is
19 returned to the Senate, unless one day's previous notice thereof is given in
20 open session or by posting the appointments or nominations to be
21 considered near the entrance to the Senate chamber. Appointments shall
22 be confirmed by the Senate only by an affirmative vote of a majority of
23 all members of the Senate then elected (or appointed) and qualified.

24 **Rule 56. Admittance to Floor – Lobbying on Floor – Galleries.** No
25 person shall be admitted to the floor of the Senate except elective state
26 officers; members of the Legislature; friends of the members of the
27 Senate, upon invitation signed by the President and the Senator extending
28 the invitation; former members of the Senate, officers and employees of
29 the legislative branch, and members of the news media who are actually
30 employed, and who have a card of admission from the President. The
31 Senate by resolution, may issue such invitations as it desires. Persons so
32 admitted must stay in the perimeter of the Senate chamber except with the
33 express permission of a member of the Senate. No one registered with the
34 Secretary of State as an agent or lobbyist may be on the floor of the
35 Senate during the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. nor at the time the
36 Senate is in session. No person, other than a state officer or employee of
37 the legislative branch or legislator, shall discuss any measure with any
38 Senator on the floor of the Senate during the time the Senate is in session.
39 Any person who violates this rule or any person who shall gain admission
40 to the floor of the Senate by false representation shall be forthwith ejected
41 from the Senate chamber and thereafter be denied admission. No
42 employee shall lobby for or against any measure pending in the Senate,
43 and any employee violating this rule shall be forthwith discharged.

1 Former members of the Senate may be introduced when on the floor, but
2 no other introductions shall be made during the session of the Senate,
3 except the President may announce the attendance of school students or
4 other groups visiting the Senate.

5 Visitors shall be allowed in one or both galleries of the Senate in
6 accordance with directions to the Sergeant at Arms from the President.

7 **Rule 57. Electronic Devices; Photographic Record of Vote.** The use
8 of telephones and the making of telephone calls in the galleries of the
9 Senate are prohibited. Except for security personnel, the use of wireless
10 electronic telecommunications devices emitting an audible sound or tone
11 to announce or initiate communications in a committee room during any
12 time when a committee or subcommittee is in session in the room, in the
13 galleries during any time when the Senate is in session and in the Senate
14 Chamber during any time the Senate is in session is prohibited. The use
15 of video recorders or other video equipment in the galleries is prohibited.
16 No photographic or similar record shall be made of the vote of any
17 member upon any measure on which a division of the Senate has been
18 called.

19 **Rule 58. Chairs of Senators.** No person except a member of the
20 Senate, shall occupy the chair of any Senator at any time except with the
21 approval of and in the presence of a member of the Senate.

22 **Rule 59. The News Media.** Employees of the news media displaying
23 a card of admission from the President may only occupy space designated
24 for them in the Senate chamber. They shall be subject to all the rules of
25 the Senate and shall conduct themselves with proper decorum while in
26 the Senate chamber. They shall not lobby, directly or indirectly, for or
27 against any measure pending before the legislature.

28 **Rule 60. Secretary of Senate – Duties.** The Secretary of the Senate
29 shall be appointed by the President. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to
30 call the roll; report correctly the result of all votes; correct the Journal as
31 may be directed by the Senate; read all bills, resolutions, petitions or
32 other papers which the Senate may require; deliver all messages to the
33 House of Representatives; certify all enrolled bills and present same to
34 the President or Vice President of the Senate for signature; endorse upon
35 every paper presented in the Senate the successive stages of action had
36 thereon, and see that proper records are made of the transmission of every
37 paper from one house to the other, or from one office to another; and
38 attend generally to such other matters as the office may require. The
39 Secretary of the Senate shall deliver to the printer all bills and other
40 documents ordered to be printed and take the receipt of the printer
41 therefor. In order to secure a uniform and systematic procedure, the
42 following clerks and their assistants shall be under the supervision of the
43 Secretary: Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Journal Clerks, Calendar

1 Clerks, Enrolling Clerks, Bill Status Clerk, Reading Clerk and Bill Clerk.

2 **Rule 61. Impeachment.** The provisions of this rule shall apply to
3 impeachment, and nothing in the rules of the Senate or in any statute shall
4 impair or limit the powers of the Senate with respect to impeachment. In
5 addition to other powers, the President shall possess the powers and
6 perform the duties in this rule.

7 (1) The President shall call the Senate into session within 30 days of
8 the receipt by the President of any request by a board of managers of the
9 House of Representatives to lay articles of impeachment before the
10 Senate.

11 (2) The Senate by a majority vote of the members then elected (or
12 appointed) and qualified may adopt, amend or suspend rules applicable to
13 trial of any impeachment.

14 (3) The President and any officer or committee acting under
15 authority of this rule may follow any statutory procedure to the extent the
16 same is not in conflict with the provisions of this rule, but nothing in this
17 rule nor in any statute shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of any
18 inherent powers of the Senate.

19 **Rule 62. Sergeant at Arms – Duties.** The Sergeant at Arms shall be
20 appointed by the President, and shall serve under the President's
21 direction, control and supervision and at the President's pleasure and shall
22 execute all orders of the President or Senate. The Sergeant at Arms shall
23 have the general supervision of the Senate Chamber, the cloak rooms,
24 gallery and lobby, and shall preserve order within the chamber at all
25 times. The Sergeant at Arms may arrest and take into custody any person
26 gaining admission to the floor of the Senate through false representations
27 or violation of Rule 56 (listing persons authorized to be admitted to the
28 floor of the Senate). All violations shall be immediately reported to the
29 President for action by the Senate. No person except those entitled to
30 admittance on the floor of the Senate pursuant to Rule 56 (listing persons
31 authorized to be admitted to the floor of the Senate) shall lounge or loaf
32 in the Senate chamber when the Senate is not in session, and the Sergeant
33 at Arms shall detail at least one assistant to remain in the chamber at all
34 times when the same is open. The President may appoint and remove
35 Assistant Sergeants at Arms to serve under the supervision of the
36 Sergeant at Arms. All doorkeepers and night watchmen shall be Assistant
37 Sergeants at Arms.

38 **Rule 63. Requisitions for Printing.** All requisitions upon the Director
39 of Printing for calendars, bills, documents, and printed matter of any
40 nature whatsoever, must be approved by the Director of Legislative
41 Administrative Services.

42 **Rule 64. Employees – Duties.** All employees shall report each day to
43 their respective supervisors. The Director of Legislative Administrative

1 Services or some person designated by the director shall keep a record of
2 the attendance of each employee. The supervisor of an employee may
3 discharge the employee at any time. The word "employee" as used in this
4 section shall include all persons employed by the Senate, except the
5 secretaries of each of the members of the Senate and except the Secretary
6 of the Senate and Sergeant at Arms, which officers may be removed by
7 the President of the Senate.

8 **Rule 65. Pages.** Not more than 20 pages shall serve during any
9 legislative day. Appointments shall be restricted to boys and girls of
10 middle school, junior high or high school age.

11 **Rule 66. Secretaries to Members.** Each Senator shall be entitled to
12 select a secretary and shall inform the Director of Legislative
13 Administrative Services of the selection. The secretaries shall not be paid
14 for time they are not in attendance unless excused by their respective
15 Senators. From the convening of the Senate until adjournment on any
16 day, except during recesses, no Senator's secretary shall be stationed at
17 the Senator's desk, except that this provision shall not apply to the
18 administrative assistant designated by the President.

19 **Rule 67. Suspension of Rules.** (a) A motion to suspend the rules may
20 be made and considered under any order of business. A 2/3 affirmative
21 vote of all Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall be
22 required for its adoption. The motion shall be decided without debate.

23 (b) A motion to declare an emergency, suspend the rules, and
24 advance a bill to Final Action shall be considered as one motion. It may
25 be made and considered immediately under any order of business, and be
26 debatable on the question of the emergency. A 2/3 affirmative vote of all
27 Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall be required for its
28 adoption.

29 (c) A bill advanced to Final Action under subsection (b) which is not
30 considered during the legislative day on which it is advanced to Final
31 Action shall be placed on the next legislative day on the Calendar under
32 the order of business General Orders.

33 **Rule 68. Amendments to Rules.** No rule of the Senate shall be
34 adopted, amended or revoked without a 2/3 affirmative vote of all
35 members of the Senate then elected (or appointed) and qualified, and no
36 motion to adopt, amend or revoke any rule of the Senate shall be in order
37 without the unanimous consent of the Senate, unless one day's previous
38 notice thereof shall be given in open session.

39 Notwithstanding any provision of the rules of the Senate to the
40 contrary, no notice shall be required for the adoption of a resolution
41 adopting, amending or revoking any one or more rules of the Senate at
42 the commencement of a legislative session, and adoption of any such
43 resolution shall require only the affirmative vote of not less than a

1 majority of the Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified, subject
2 to the following conditions: (1) The resolution is sponsored by the
3 President or any three Senators, and (2) either (a) a copy thereof is e-
4 mailed to each Senator not later than 11:00 p.m. on the Thursday
5 preceding the Monday on which the legislative session is to commence or
6 (b) in lieu of e-mailing copies of the resolution are made available to
7 Senators on the first day of the legislative session and Final Action is
8 taken on the second legislative day.

9 **Rule 69. Robert's Rules of Order.** In all cases where these rules or
10 the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives do not apply,
11 the rules of parliamentary law in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised,
12 11th edition, shall govern.

13 **Rule 70. Number Designation of Substitute Bills and Substitute**
14 **Concurrent Resolutions.** (a) Whenever a substitute bill is recommended
15 by a committee report, and whenever a substitute bill is approved by
16 amendment from the floor, the substitute bill shall be printed as provided
17 for bills introduced, and the bill number designation shall be substantially
18 as follows:

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

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

25 (b) Whenever a substitute concurrent resolution is recommended by
26 a committee report, and whenever a substitute concurrent resolution is
27 approved by amendment from the floor, the substitute concurrent
28 resolution shall be printed as provided for concurrent resolutions
29 introduced, and the resolution number designation shall be substantially
30 as follows:

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

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

39 **Rule 71. General Rule Not to Read Amendments.** Amendments to
40 bills or resolutions shall not require readings as for bills introduced or
41 resolutions introduced, except as otherwise provided in Rule 72 (subject
42 matter of bill or resolution materially changed by senate amendment) or
43 Rule 73 (subject matter of senate bill or resolution materially changed by

1 house amendment).

2 **Rule 72. Subject Change by Senate.** Whenever an amendment
3 adopted by the Senate has materially changed the subject of a bill or
4 resolution, the title of the bill or resolution so amended shall be read in
5 the manner prescribed for the introduction of bills or resolutions, and take
6 its place upon the Calendar under the order of business Final Action.

7 **Rule 73. Subject Change by House.** Whenever the House adopts
8 amendments to a Senate bill or senate concurrent resolution which
9 materially changes its subject, upon return of such bill or resolution to the
10 Senate, the title of such bill or resolution shall be read in the manner
11 prescribed for the introduction of bills or resolutions and such bill or
12 resolution shall be referred as provided in Rule 32 (reference of bills and
13 resolutions).

14 **Rule 74. Determination of When Subject of Bill or Resolution**
15 **Materially Changed.** The President may determine when a bill or
16 resolution is subject to Rule 72 (subject matter of bill or resolution
17 materially changed by senate amendment) or Rule 73 (subject matter of
18 senate bill or senate concurrent resolution materially changed by house
19 amendment). The President's determination under this rule, that a bill or
20 resolution has been materially changed is subject to an appeal to the
21 Senate by any member. A 2/3 vote of the members of the Senate present
22 and voting shall be required to overturn the ruling of the chair. The vote
23 on an appeal to the Senate under this rule shall not be a roll call vote.
24 Every appeal under this rule shall be taken without debate.

25 **Rule 75. Executive Reorganization Orders.** When an executive
26 reorganization order is received from the Governor, it shall be referred to
27 an appropriate committee by the President. The committee to which an
28 executive reorganization order is referred shall report its
29 recommendations thereon, by recommending adoption of a Senate
30 resolution, not later than the 60th calendar day of any regular session and
31 not later than 30 calendar days after it has received such referral
32 whichever occurs first. If a committee fails to report upon an executive
33 reorganization order within the time specified in this rule, such committee
34 shall be deemed to have returned the same to the Senate without
35 recommendation. When a report or return of an executive reorganization
36 is made, it and all resolutions for approval or disapproval thereof shall be
37 made the special order of business in accordance with Rule 6 (special
38 order of business) at a time not later than the last day the executive
39 reorganization order may be disapproved under section 6 of article 1 of
40 the Constitution of Kansas. The Senate shall act to approve or reject
41 every reorganization order unless at the time set for such action the House
42 of Representatives shall have already rejected such executive
43 reorganization order.

1 **Rule 76. Censure or Expulsion.** Whenever three or more Senators
2 desire to lodge a complaint against any other Senator requesting that the
3 Senator be censured or expelled for misconduct, the complaining
4 Senators shall sign and file a written statement of such complaint with the
5 Secretary of the Senate. In such event, the President shall appoint a select
6 committee for consideration thereof composed of five Senators, no more
7 than three of whom shall be members of the same political party, and
8 none of whom shall have signed the complaint to be considered. The
9 select committee may dismiss the complaint after inquiry or may set the
10 matter for hearing. Reasonable notice and an opportunity to appear shall
11 be afforded the Senator against whom a complaint has been filed. Select
12 committees meeting under authority of this section shall be authorized to
13 meet and exercise compulsory process without further authorization,
14 subject only to the limitations and conditions prescribed in article 10 of
15 chapter 46 of Kansas Statutes Annotated. Upon completing its hearing
16 and deliberations thereon the select committee may dismiss the complaint
17 or may submit a recommendation to the full Senate for censure or
18 expulsion, and upon receiving such report the Senate may without further
19 hearing or investigation censure or expel the member against whom the
20 complaint was filed. Censure or expulsion of a Senator under this rule
21 shall require a 2/3 majority vote of those members elected (or appointed)
22 and qualified.

23 **Rule 77. Taking from the Table.** The affirmative vote of a 2/3
24 majority of all Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall be
25 required for the adoption of a motion to take any question or proposition
26 from the table after the adoption of a motion to table or lay such question
27 or proposition on the table. The provisions of this rule shall apply to
28 motions both in standing committees and the Senate.

29 **Rule 78. Placing Material on Members' Desks.** No items or material
30 shall be placed upon the desk of any member of the Senate unless any
31 such item or material bears the signature or name of the Senator
32 responsible for its distribution. This Rule 78 shall not apply to items or
33 material provided by legislative staff, the Governor or state agencies.

34 **Rule 79. Decorum.** During the time the Senate is in session
35 professional dress is required on the floor of the Senate.