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Senate Resolution No. 1804

By Senator Bunten

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A RESOLUTION relating to the rules of the Senate for 2001-2004; amending Rule 7 and Rule 22, relating to the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules.

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That Rule 7 be amended to read as follows:

Rule 7. Standing Committees. (a) There shall be a standing committee named the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules which shall consist of nine members, the chairperson of which shall be the president of the senate, and the vice chairperson of which shall be the majority leader of the Senate. The vice president of the Senate shall be a member of the committee. Each of the other six members shall be selected separately by the majority political party of the Senate.

(b) No bill or resolution other than resolutions adopting, amending or revoking rules of the Senate or Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, shall be introduced by or be referred to the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules.

(c) The following shall be the other standing committees:

27			Number
28			of members
29	1.	Agriculture	9
30	2.	Assessment and Taxation	11
31	3.	Commerce	9
32	4.	Confirmation Oversight Committee	6
33	5.	Education	11
34	6.	Elections and Local Government	9
35	7.	Natural Resources	9
36	8.	Federal and State Affairs	9
37	9.	Financial Institutions and Insurance	9
38	10.	Interstate Cooperation	7
39	11.	Judiciary	11
40	12.	Public Health and Welfare	9
41	13.	Reapportionment	11
42	14.	Transportation	9
43	15	Utilities	9

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(d) The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules president of the senate shall appoint the members of each committee, shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson or vice chairpersons thereof and shall designate the ranking minority member of each committee. The president of the senate may remove or replace any such committee member, chairperson, vice chairperson, vice chairpersons or ranking minority member at any time. The minority leader shall submit recommendations for the appointment of minority members to the standing committees of the Senate to the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules president of the senate. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules shall have a standing subcommittee on calendar which shall be the president of the senate, the vice president of the senate and the majority leader of the Senate. The Majority Leader shall be the chairperson of the subcommittee. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may establish such other subcommittees of the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules as the Committee deems appropriate.

For the purpose of considering committee member appointments, and appointments of chairpersons, vice-chairpersons and ranking minority members, and for such other purposes as may be authorized by law, by the joint rules of the senate and the house of representatives or by rules of the senate for closed meetings, the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may close its meetings.

- (e) The two major political parties shall have proportional representation on each standing committee other than the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules. In the event application of the preceding sentence results in a fraction, the party having a fraction exceeding .5 shall receive representation as though such fraction were a whole number.
- (f) For purposes of references in statutory and other documents, the president of the senate shall be the successor to the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules.
 - Be it further resolved: That Rule 22 be amended to read as follows:
- Rule 22. Party affiliation-change. If any Senator changes political party affiliation (1) from the political party of such Senator at the time of the Senator's election, or (2) if the Senator was appointed, from the political party of the district convention which elected such person to be so appointed, the following shall apply:
- (a) Such Senator shall be removed from all memberships on standing and other committees, from all positions of chairperson or vice chairperson of a standing or other committee, and from any office of the Senate held at the time of such change. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules president of the senate shall appoint a Senator to fill any vacancy which arises under this subpart (a).

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