

Senate Resolution No. 1773

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1 A RESOLUTION relating to the rules of the Senate for 2013-2016;
2 amending Rule 7, relating to standing committees.

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

6 Rule 7. Standing Committees. There shall be a standing committee
7 named the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules which shall
8 consist of three members, the chairperson of which shall be the president
9 of the senate, and the vice chairperson of which shall be the majority
10 leader of the Senate. The Vice President of the Senate shall be a member
11 of the committee.

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

16 The following shall be the other standing committees:

17 Number
18 of members
19 1. Agriculture 11
20 2. Assessment and Taxation 11
21 3. Commerce 11
22 4. Confirmation Oversight Committee 6
23 5. Education 11
24 6. Ethics, Elections and Local Government 9
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26 7. Federal and State Affairs 9
27 8. Financial Institutions and Insurance 9
28 9. Interstate Cooperation 7
29 10. Judiciary 11
30 11. Local Government 9
31 12. Natural Resources 11
32 13. Public Health and Welfare 9
33 14. Transportation 9
34 15. Utilities 11
35 16. Ways and Means 11

36 The president of the Senate, with the advice of the majority leader and

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

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

24 The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules and all of its
25 subcommittees may close their meetings.

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