

Senate Resolution No. 1703

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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 2017 regular session
3 of the Legislature.

4 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* The following
5 rules shall be the rules of the Senate for the terms of the Senators
6 commencing with the 2017 regular session of the Legislature.

RULES OF THE SENATE

2017-2020

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

42 **Rule 6. Special Order.** Whenever any bill or other matter is made the
43 special order for a particular day, and shall not be reached or completed

1 on that day, it shall be returned to its place in the General Orders, unless it
 2 shall be made the special order for another day. When any special order is
 3 under consideration, it shall take precedence over any special order for a
 4 subsequent hour of the same day, but such subsequent special order shall
 5 be taken up immediately after the previous order has been disposed of.
 6 Notation of a special order shall be placed before the first order of
 7 business on the calendar for that day, giving the subject to be considered
 8 and the time fixed for its consideration. When that time arrives, other
 9 business shall be suspended until the special order has been considered.

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

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

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

36 (c) The president of the Senate, with the advice of the majority
 37 leader and the vice president of the Senate, shall appoint the members of
 38 each committee, shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson or
 39 vice chairpersons thereof and shall designate the ranking minority
 40 member of each committee. The minority leader shall submit
 41 recommendations for the appointment of minority members to the
 42 standing committees of the Senate to the Committee on Organization,
 43 Calendar and Rules. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules

1 shall have a standing subcommittee on calendar which shall be the
2 president of the Senate, the vice president of the Senate and the majority
3 leader of the Senate. The Majority Leader shall be the chairperson of the
4 subcommittee. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may
5 establish such other subcommittees of the Committee on Organization,
6 Calendar and Rules as the Committee deems appropriate.

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

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

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

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

33 **Rule 8. Special and Select Committees.** Special and Select
34 committees of the Senate and the Chairperson thereof shall be appointed
35 by the President.

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

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

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

43 (d) The chairperson of each committee shall cause minutes of each

1 meeting of the committee to be prepared, subject to approval of the
2 committee within 14 session days or by sine die adjournment, whichever
3 is earlier. Minutes shall show the action taken by the committee upon
4 each bill or resolution considered and the amendments if any voted upon
5 and the disposition of each, whether adopted or not. At the request of the
6 author of a bill or resolution or any amendment to a bill or resolution, or
7 on request of any member of the committee, the intent of the author shall
8 be stated in the committee minutes. At the conclusion of each legislative
9 session, copies of all committee minutes shall be filed with the Director
10 of Legislative Administrative Services.

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

15 **Rule 11. Committee Action on Bills and Resolutions.** (a) A
16 committee may recommend that the Senate act favorably, unfavorably or
17 without recommendation upon any measure or may recommend
18 amendments to measures referred to it which are germane to the subject
19 of the measure. Committee recommendations shall be made by committee
20 report to the Senate. Committee reports shall be signed by the
21 chairperson, and shall be transmitted to the Senate not later than the
22 second legislative day following the action of the committee.

23 (b) When a committee fails to report on any bill or resolution
24 following reference to such committee, it may be withdrawn from the
25 committee by an affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate on a
26 motion made as provided in this subsection. Such a motion shall be made
27 in writing, giving the reasons for withdrawal from the committee. Such
28 motion shall be made under the order of business introduction and notice
29 of original motions and Senate resolutions. Only one bill or resolution
30 may be named in such a motion. The motion shall be read by the reading
31 clerk or the member making the motion and shall be printed in the
32 calendar of the next legislative day under the order of business
33 consideration of motions and Senate resolutions offered on a previous
34 day. The motion shall be considered on the legislative day following the
35 day it is made. If the motion prevails, the bill or resolution shall be placed
36 on the calendar under the order of business General Orders.

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

39 **Rule 12. Adversely Reported Bills and Resolutions.** All bills or
40 resolutions adversely reported shall go upon the Calendar for one day,
41 under the head of Bills Adversely Reported. A motion to place an
42 adversely reported bill (or resolution) under the order of business General
43 Orders on the Calendar shall be made when the bill (or resolution) is

1 upon the Calendar and shall be made when Introduction of Original
2 Motions and Senate Resolutions is in order, and that motion shall then lie
3 over until the next legislative day when the order of business
4 Consideration of Motions and Senate Resolutions is reached, but if such
5 motion is defeated once it shall not be renewed. If an adversely reported
6 bill or resolution has been previously referred separately under Rule 32
7 (authorizing the reference of the same bill or resolution to two or more
8 standing committees), then the motion shall be to return the adversely
9 reported bill (or resolution) with the committee report attached to the next
10 committee to which it was referred. If the motion to place the bill (or
11 resolution) on the Calendar under the order of business General Orders or
12 to return the bill (or resolution) to the next committee of reference shall
13 prevail, then the words "Adversely Reported" shall be printed in a line
14 underneath the title of the bill or resolution, and to prevail such motion
15 shall require an affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate.

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

21 **Rule 14. Address the President – To Be Recognized – Speak But**
22 **Twice on the Same Subject.** Every Senator rising to debate or to present
23 any matter shall address the President and shall not proceed until
24 recognized. When two or more Senators shall address the President at the
25 same time, the President shall name the Senator who is to speak first. No
26 Senator, except for the Senator who is carrying a bill, resolution or report,
27 shall speak more than twice on the same day on the same subject without
28 leave of the Senate.

29 **Rule 15. No Senator Shall Be Interrupted.** No Senator, when
30 speaking shall be interrupted except by a call to order by the presiding
31 officer, or by a Senator through the presiding officer, desiring to ask a
32 question. If a Senator speaking yields to a question, the interruption shall
33 be confined solely to such question. Senators shall be referred to as "the
34 Senator from _____" (naming the Senator's home county) followed by
35 the Senator's title and name.

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

40 **Rule 17. Questions of Order – How Determined.** A question of
41 order may be raised at any time and when a Senator shall be called to
42 order the Senator shall stop speaking until the presiding officer has
43 determined whether the Senator was in order. Every question of order

1 shall be decided by the presiding officer, subject to an appeal to the
2 Senate by any member. The vote on an appeal to the Senate under this
3 rule shall not be a roll call vote. Every appeal on a question of order shall
4 be taken without debate.

5 **Rule 18. Explaining Votes.** Senators may explain their votes only
6 upon the call of their names upon any roll call vote, but not more than
7 two minutes shall be allowed for any explanation. The explanation shall
8 be inserted in the Journal if the Senator makes a request at the time of
9 voting or makes a request of the Secretary of the Senate prior to
10 adjournment, and the written explanation is presented to the Secretary of
11 the Senate during or within two hours following that day's adjournment
12 on the same legislative day. No Senator in explaining a vote may use the
13 name of or otherwise identify any other Senator as part of the explanation
14 without the consent of the other Senator. No written explanation shall
15 contain more than 200 words. If the written explanation contains more
16 than 200 words, only the first 200 words of the explanation shall be
17 printed in the journal.

18 **Rule 19. Vote Unless Excused – Contempt.** Any Senator, who is
19 directly interested in a question, may be excused from voting, even
20 though there is a call of the Senate. The Senator, who is requesting to be
21 excused from voting, shall state the reasons for the request, occupying not
22 more than five minutes. Such statements shall be made either
23 immediately before or immediately after the vote is called but before the
24 result is announced. The question on excusing any Senator from voting
25 shall be taken without debate and a majority of those voting shall be
26 necessary to excuse the Senator. If a Senator refuses to vote, when not
27 excused, such refusal shall constitute contempt and the President shall, in
28 such case, order the offending Senator before the bar of the Senate and all
29 privileges of membership shall be refused such Senator until the
30 contempt is corrected as determined by vote of the Senate.

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

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

40 (b) When a vacancy occurs in the office of Vice President or
41 majority leader of the Senate, and the Legislature is adjourned to a date
42 more than 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the President shall
43 appoint an acting Vice President or acting majority leader to serve until

1 the convening of the next session of the Legislature, at which time the
2 vacancy shall be filled as though the acting interim appointment had not
3 been made.

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

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

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

18 (a) Such Senator shall be removed from all memberships on
19 standing and other committees, from all positions of chairperson or vice
20 chairperson of a standing or other committee, and from any office of the
21 Senate held at the time of such change. The Committee on Organization,
22 Calendar and Rules shall appoint a Senator to fill any vacancy which
23 arises under this subpart (a).

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

31 **Rule 23. Open Meetings Provisions.** The open meeting law (K.S.A.
32 75-4317 et seq., and amendments thereto) shall apply to meetings of the
33 Senate and all of its standing committees, select committees, special
34 committees and subcommittees of any of such committees. Caucuses of
35 Senate majority and minority parties and meetings of the Committee on
36 Organization, Calendar and Rules and its subcommittees may be closed.

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

41 **Rule 25. Motions Withdrawn.** Any motion may be withdrawn by the
42 maker before amendment or decision is made thereon except as the
43 foregoing is modified by Rule 40 (relating to procedure in the committee

1 of the whole).

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

4 Not Debatable

- 5 1. To fix time to which to adjourn.
- 6 2. To adjourn.
- 7 3. To lay on the table.
- 8 4. For the previous question.
- 9 5. To recess to a time certain.

10 Debatable

- 11 6. To postpone to a day certain.
- 12 7. To commit to a standing committee.
- 13 8. To commit to a special committee.
- 14 9. To commit to the Committee of the Whole.
- 15 10. To amend.
- 16 11. To postpone indefinitely.

17 The several motions specified in this rule shall have precedence in the
18 order named and the first four shall be decided without debate.

19 **Rule 27. Division of Question.** (a) If the question in debate contains
20 several points, any Senator may have the same divided, but a motion to
21 strike out and insert shall be indivisible. When a bill or resolution is under
22 consideration in the Senate and after debate is concluded and final action
23 has been announced on the bill or resolution, a request for division of
24 question shall not be in order.

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

27 (c) The rejection of a motion to strike out and insert one proposition
28 shall not prevent a motion to strike out and insert another proposition, nor
29 prevent a subsequent motion simply to strike out; nor shall the rejection
30 of a motion simply to strike out prevent a subsequent motion to strike out
31 and insert.

32 **Rule 28. Reconsideration of Pending Matters.** When a question has
33 been once put and decided it shall be in order for any Senator who voted
34 with the prevailing side to move for a reconsideration thereof, but no
35 motion for reconsideration of any vote shall be in order after the bill,
36 resolution, message, report, amendment or motion, upon which the vote
37 was taken, shall have gone out of the possession of the Senate, nor shall
38 any motion for reconsideration be in order unless made on the same day
39 on which the vote was taken or the next legislative day. No question shall
40 be reconsidered more than once.

41 **Rule 29. Previous Questions.** Five Senators shall have the right to
42 move the previous question on any bill, resolution, message, report,
43 amendment, or motion. If no amendment is pending the previous question

1 shall be as follows: "Shall the main question be now put?" If the previous
2 question is decided in the affirmative by a majority vote of those present,
3 the main question shall be put without further amendment or debate. If
4 amendments are pending a motion for the previous question shall concern
5 only the last amendment that is pending on which, if the previous
6 question is adopted, the debate will be closed only upon such amendment.
7 The previous question on other questions than the main question shall be
8 as follows: "Shall the question on the (amendment, amendment of an
9 amendment, substitute or other motion affecting same as the case may be)
10 now be put?"

11 **Rule 30. Endorsement on Bills, etc.** Before any bill, resolution or
12 petition, addressed to the Senate, shall be received or read, the title of the
13 bill or resolution or a brief statement of the contents of the petition shall
14 be typed on the jacket, with the name of the Senator or committee
15 introducing it.

16 **Rule 31. Introduction of Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.** Every
17 bill and concurrent resolution shall be introduced by a Senator, by a
18 committee, on the report of a committee, by message from the House of
19 Representatives, or by proper prefiling as provided by law. For the
20 purpose of introduction, every bill and concurrent resolution shall be
21 placed in the possession of the secretary and the reading clerk shall read
22 the title, except citations of statutes amended or repealed. The reading
23 clerk shall also read the name of the sponsor of the bill or resolution if it
24 has a single sponsor. If the bill or resolution has two sponsors the reading
25 clerk shall read the names of both sponsors, but if the bill or resolution
26 has more than two sponsors the reading clerk shall read the name of the
27 first sponsor together with the words "and others."

28 **Rule 32. Reference of Bills and Resolutions.** All bills and resolutions
29 shall be referred or rereferred to appropriate standing committees, special
30 or select committees appointed under Rule 8 or the Committee of the
31 Whole by the President. Upon the day of its introduction or upon the next
32 legislative day, the President shall refer every bill and each concurrent
33 resolution to be referred to the appropriate standing committee, special or
34 select committees appointed under Rule 8 or the Committee of the
35 Whole. Bills or resolutions prefiled under K.S.A. 46-801 et seq., and
36 amendments thereto, may be referred by the President to the appropriate
37 standing committee, special or select committees appointed under Rule 8
38 or the Committee of the Whole at any time subsequent to the prefiling of
39 such bill or resolution with the secretary of the senate. Bills introduced by
40 committees, if germane to the purpose and scope of the committee, may
41 be referred to the Committee of the Whole; otherwise to the appropriate
42 standing committee or special or select committees appointed under Rule
43 8. All bills making an appropriation shall be referred to the Committee on

1 Ways and Means. The President may refer a bill or resolution to two or
2 more standing committees or special or select committees appointed
3 under Rule 8, or any combination thereof, jointly, or separately, in such
4 order as the President may direct, and such bill or resolution, when so
5 referred, shall be considered by the committees in joint meeting, or by
6 each of the committees separately in the order named in the reference,
7 and when the reference is made jointly, the chairperson of the committee
8 named first shall be chairperson of the joint committee.

9 **Rule 33. Consent Calendar and Recording Reports.** Whenever a
10 standing committee is of the opinion that a bill or resolution upon which
11 it is reporting is of non-controversial nature, it shall so state in its
12 committee report. Whenever a bill or resolution is so reported, it shall be
13 placed upon a separate calendar, to be known as the Consent Calendar.
14 Each bill or resolution appearing on the Consent Calendar shall remain
15 thereon for at least two full legislative days before being considered
16 under the order of business Final Action. At any time prior to the call for
17 the vote under the order of business Final Action on a bill or resolution on
18 the Consent Calendar, upon the objection of any three members to the
19 same as being controversial, the same shall be stricken from the Consent
20 Calendar and take its place on General Orders in the usual order. If no
21 such objection is made prior to the call for such vote on the bill or
22 resolution, it shall be voted upon with other bills and resolutions under
23 the order of business Final Action but before consideration of other bills
24 or resolutions appearing on the calendar under such order of business.

25 **Rule 34. Final Action on Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.** On
26 final action on any bill or concurrent resolution, the reading clerk shall
27 read the title, except citations to statutes amended or repealed. If the bill
28 is reported for final action without debate, the question shall be at once
29 put: "Shall the bill pass?" No debate shall be allowed, and no motion shall
30 be in order except the motion for a call of the Senate, unless in case
31 where a bill has been ordered to be placed on final action subject to
32 amendment, or to amendment and debate or unless by the unanimous
33 consent of the Senate, amendments may be made and considered. Like
34 procedure shall apply to concurrent resolutions except that the question
35 put shall be: "Shall the resolution be adopted?" On final action, bills and
36 resolutions may be bulked together for roll call unless objection be made
37 by any Senator.

38 **Rule 35. Final Passage by Yeas and Nays.** The question upon the
39 final passage of a bill and every concurrent resolution for amendment of
40 the constitution of Kansas or ratification of an amendment to the
41 Constitution of the United States shall be taken by a roll call vote of the
42 yeas and nays, which shall be entered on the Journal, and unless the bill
43 or concurrent resolution receives the number of votes required by the

1 constitution to pass it, it shall be declared lost, except in cases provided
2 for in Rule 36 (relating to the absence of a quorum).

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

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

10 **Rule 38. Call of Senate – When Made – How Enforced.** (a) A call of
11 the Senate may be had upon the demand of five Senators, pending a roll
12 call on the final passage of any bill or resolution, or on any motion to
13 strike the enacting clause of a bill or the resolving clause of a resolution,
14 or indefinitely postpone any bill or resolution, and before the result is
15 announced. When a call is demanded, the President shall order the doors
16 of the Senate to be closed and all members to be in their seats unless
17 excused by the President. The President shall direct the Secretary to call
18 the roll of the Senators and note the absentees, after which the names of
19 the absentees shall be again called, and those for whose absence no
20 sufficient excuse is given may be sent for and taken into custody by the
21 Sergeant at Arms, or by Assistant Sergeants at Arms appointed for the
22 purpose, and brought before the bar of the Senate, where unless excused
23 by a majority of the Senators present, they shall be reprovved by the
24 President for the neglect of duty.

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

29 **Rule 39. Roll Call Votes.** Every Senator in the Senate chamber when
30 a roll call is taken shall respond when the Senator's name is called. If
31 there is a call of the Senate, the Senator must vote Yea or Nay, except as
32 provided in Rule 19 (Senators excused from voting if directly interested
33 in the question). When there is no call of the Senate, the Senator may pass
34 and shall be recorded in the Journal as present and passing. After the roll
35 is completed and before the roll is closed, a Senator may change such
36 Senator's vote. No vote shall be recorded and no change in vote may be
37 made without unanimous consent of the Senate after announcement by
38 the presiding officer that the roll is closed. No motion shall be in order
39 during a roll call vote except as provided under Rule 34 for final action
40 on bills and concurrent resolutions and except for a call of the Senate.

41 **Rule 40. Committee of the Whole.** On motion the Senate may go
42 into Committee of the Whole. The President shall appoint a chairperson
43 to preside over the Committee of the Whole. The rules of the Senate shall

1 be observed in the Committee of the Whole, so far as applicable except
2 that there shall be no limit on the number of times of speaking and Rule
3 38 (authorizing a call of the senate) shall not apply. A motion to lay on the
4 table or a call for the previous question shall not be in order. No substitute
5 motion to amend a bill or resolution shall be in order. A substitute motion
6 to report a bill or resolution to the full Senate once made shall be decided
7 subject only to debate and Rule 50 (motion to strike the enacting or
8 resolving clause). A roll call shall be had on any question subject to the
9 requirements of Rule 37.

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

14 **Rule 42. How Bills or Resolutions Considered – Committee of the**
15 **Whole.** Bills or resolutions shall be considered in Committee of the
16 Whole in the following manner: The standing committee report shall first
17 be considered and if it is adopted the bill or resolution as amended by the
18 committee report shall be considered section by section, and as each
19 section is considered, amendments from the floor are in order to that
20 section. If the committee report is not adopted, the bill or resolution,
21 without committee amendments, shall be considered section by section,
22 and as each section is considered amendments from the floor are in order
23 to that section. After a section has been considered, no amendment
24 thereto shall be in order until the whole bill or resolution has been read
25 through. After the original bill or resolution, together with standing
26 committee amendments, has been considered section by section the
27 chairperson shall announce "Amendments to the bill (or resolution)
28 generally are in order," and amendments not before offered may be made
29 to any part of the bill or resolution. A motion to amend the bill or
30 resolution shall not be in order while a motion to strike the enacting
31 clause or resolving clause is pending.

32 **Rule 43. Amendments.** (1) Amendments to bills shall be germane to
33 the subject of the bill being amended, and the fact that an amendment is
34 to a section in the same chapter of the Kansas Statutes Annotated as an
35 existing section in the bill shall not automatically render the amendment
36 germane. Amendments to concurrent resolutions for amendments of the
37 constitution of Kansas or ratification of an amendment to the Constitution
38 of the United States shall be germane to the subject of the resolution
39 being amended.

40 (2) All amendments to bills or resolutions shall be submitted in
41 writing on a form provided by the Senate or on a form substantially
42 similar. All amendments to printed bills or resolutions shall specify the
43 page and line number as shown on the printed bill or resolution. If a bill

1 or resolution has not been printed, amendments must refer to the typed
2 bill or resolution. All amendments adopted shall be recorded in the
3 Journal. The action taken on all amendments, whether adopted or
4 rejected, shall be recorded in the Journal. When a bill or resolution has
5 been amended, it shall be engrossed before it is enrolled.

6 (3) In the case of amendment by substitute bill or by substitute
7 concurrent resolution, motion shall be made to substitute a written bill or
8 concurrent resolution for the bill or concurrent resolution under
9 consideration.

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

12 **Rule 44. Report of Committee of the Whole Subject to**
13 **Amendment – Time for.** The report of the Committee of the Whole is
14 subject to amendment to correctly reflect what has occurred in the
15 Committee of the Whole by motions made at the time the report is offered
16 for adoption by the Senate. When a bill is reported with the
17 recommendation that the enacting clause be stricken, and the report is
18 agreed to by the Senate, the bill shall be considered killed.

19 **Rule 45. Motion for Committee of the Whole to Rise and Report**
20 **Progress.** A motion that the Committee of the Whole shall rise and report
21 progress on any bill shall always be in order and shall be decided without
22 debate, and the matter being considered shall be the first order of business
23 at the next session of the committee, subject to such postponement as the
24 subsequent Committee of the Whole may determine. After a motion to
25 rise and report progress has been adopted, the Subcommittee on Calendar
26 of the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules may change for
27 the resumption of the current session of the Committee of the Whole the
28 order of consideration of bills and resolutions.

29 **Rule 46. Division of the Senate.** Whenever a voice vote has been
30 taken upon any question in either the Senate or the Committee of the
31 Whole, any Senator may call for a division of the Senate or Committee of
32 the Whole.

33 **Rule 47. Bills and Resolutions to Final Action.** When the Committee
34 of the Whole shall favorably report a bill or resolution, and the report is
35 adopted by the Senate, the bill or resolution shall be considered as
36 ordered to the order of business Final Action. The vote upon the final
37 passage of the bill shall not be taken on the same day on which the bill is
38 placed on Final Action. Bills and resolutions to be sent to the House shall
39 be properly corrected under the supervision of the Secretary of the
40 Senate. The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to correct misspelled
41 words, punctuation and "doublets" or repeated words when preparing
42 bills, resolutions or other documents for signature by officers of the
43 Senate and House.

1 **Rule 48. Bills and Resolutions – Inclusion of Amendments.** When a
2 bill or resolution is amended, the Secretary of the Senate shall attach to
3 the original copy all amendments made in the Senate. Substitute bills and
4 substitute concurrent resolutions shall accompany the bill or concurrent
5 resolution for which each is substituted. Upon passage, Senate bills or
6 resolutions, including the original copy and amendments, shall be
7 transmitted to the House.

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

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

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

22 **Rule 52. Bills and Resolutions Considered in Regular Order.** The
23 Subcommittee on Calendar of the Committee on Organization, Calendar
24 and Rules shall designate from day to day and from time to time the bills
25 and resolutions to be considered that day and on the next legislative day,
26 and the order of consideration fixed by this subcommittee shall not be
27 changed, except by unanimous consent or by a 2/3 vote of all the
28 members of the Senate then elected (or appointed) and qualified, if
29 unanimous consent is refused, or as provided in Rule 45.

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

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

38 (1) Senate resolutions shall be in writing, shall be read and shall lie
39 over one day. Senate resolutions other than resolutions for the amendment
40 of rules of the Senate shall not be printed unless ordered by the Senate.
41 There shall be no roll call unless ordered. With the consent of the
42 majority of Senators present and voting, either the requirement to read
43 Senate resolutions or the requirement to lie over one day, or both, may be

1 dispensed with.

2 (2) Senate concurrent resolutions shall be in writing, shall be read by
3 title, and shall lie over one day. All Senate concurrent resolutions shall be
4 printed, and shall require a roll call on motion to adopt. Propositions to
5 amend the constitution shall be made by concurrent resolution and
6 referred to the proper committee. Other concurrent resolutions may be
7 referred to a proper committee by the President.

8 All House concurrent resolutions, when in the Senate, shall follow the
9 same procedure as Senate concurrent resolutions.

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

12 **Rule 55. Confirmation of Appointments by Governor or Other**
13 **State Official.** All nominations or appointments made by the governor or
14 other state official, which are subject to Senate confirmation, may be
15 considered and acted upon by the Senate in either executive or regular
16 session except that no final action thereon may be taken in executive
17 session. When nominations or appointments are made by the governor or
18 other state official for confirmation by the Senate, they shall, unless
19 otherwise ordered by the President, be referred to appropriate committees
20 by the President. Nominations or appointments referred to committees
21 shall be returned to the Senate within 20 legislative days after the same
22 are referred, together with a report thereon, unless additional time be
23 granted by a majority vote of senators present. If the nomination or
24 appointment is not returned to the Senate within the period of time
25 specified for its return and additional time has not been granted, the
26 nomination or appointment shall be considered to be returned to the
27 Senate without recommendation on the next legislative day following the
28 last day of the period of time specified for its return. Any such
29 appointment may be considered and acted upon by the Senate at any time
30 after the nomination or appointment is returned to the Senate. The
31 chairperson of the committee which recommends for confirmation a
32 nomination or appointment may speak more than twice on the same day
33 on the subject of the nomination or appointment. No motion to confirm
34 any such appointment or nomination shall be in order without the
35 unanimous consent of the Senate until the nomination or appointment is
36 returned to the Senate, unless one day's previous notice thereof is given in
37 open session or by posting the appointments or nominations to be
38 considered near the entrance to the Senate chamber. Appointments shall
39 be confirmed by the Senate only by an affirmative vote of a majority of
40 all members of the Senate then elected (or appointed) and qualified.

41 **Rule 56. Admittance to Floor – Lobbying on Floor – Galleries.** No
42 person shall be admitted to the floor of the Senate except elective state
43 officers; members of the Legislature; friends of the members of the

1 Senate, upon invitation signed by the President and the Senator extending
2 the invitation; former members of the Senate, officers and employees of
3 the legislative branch, and members of the news media who are actually
4 employed, and who have a card of admission from the President. The
5 Senate by resolution, may issue such invitations as it desires. Persons so
6 admitted must stay in the perimeter of the Senate chamber except with the
7 express permission of a member of the Senate. No one registered with the
8 Secretary of State as an agent or lobbyist may be on the floor of the
9 Senate during the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. nor at the time the
10 Senate is in session. No person, other than a state officer or employee of
11 the legislative branch or legislator, shall discuss any measure with any
12 Senator on the floor of the Senate during the time the Senate is in session.
13 Any person who violates this rule or any person who shall gain admission
14 to the floor of the Senate by false representation shall be forthwith ejected
15 from the Senate chamber and thereafter be denied admission. No
16 employee shall lobby for or against any measure pending in the Senate,
17 and any employee violating this rule shall be forthwith discharged.
18 Former members of the Senate may be introduced when on the floor, but
19 no other introductions shall be made during the session of the Senate,
20 except the President may announce the attendance of school students or
21 other groups visiting the Senate.

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

24 **Rule 57. Electronic Devices; Photographic Record of Vote.** The use
25 of telephones and the making of telephone calls in the galleries of the
26 Senate are prohibited. Except for security personnel, the use of wireless
27 electronic telecommunications devices emitting an audible sound or tone
28 to announce or initiate communications in a committee room during any
29 time when a committee or subcommittee is in session in the room, in the
30 galleries during any time when the Senate is in session and in the Senate
31 Chamber during any time the Senate is in session is prohibited. The use
32 of video recorders or other video equipment in the galleries is prohibited.
33 No photographic or similar record shall be made of the vote of any
34 member upon any measure on which a division of the Senate has been
35 called.

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

39 **Rule 59. The News Media.** Employees of the news media displaying
40 a card of admission from the President may only occupy space designated
41 for them in the Senate chamber. They shall be subject to all the rules of
42 the Senate and shall conduct themselves with proper decorum while in
43 the Senate chamber. They shall not lobby, directly or indirectly, for or

1 against any measure pending before the legislature.

2 **Rule 60. Secretary of Senate – Duties.** The Secretary of the Senate
3 shall be appointed by the President. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to
4 call the roll; report correctly the result of all votes; correct the Journal as
5 may be directed by the Senate; read all bills, resolutions, petitions or
6 other papers which the Senate may require; deliver all messages to the
7 House of Representatives; certify all enrolled bills and present same to
8 the President or Vice President of the Senate for signature; endorse upon
9 every paper presented in the Senate the successive stages of action had
10 thereon, and see that proper records are made of the transmission of every
11 paper from one house to the other, or from one office to another; and
12 attend generally to such other matters as the office may require. The
13 Secretary of the Senate shall deliver to the printer all bills and other
14 documents ordered to be printed and take the receipt of the printer
15 therefor. In order to secure a uniform and systematic procedure, the
16 following clerks and their assistants shall be under the supervision of the
17 Secretary: Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Journal Clerks, Calendar
18 Clerks, Enrolling Clerks, Bill Status Clerk, Reading Clerk and Bill Clerk.

19 **Rule 61. Impeachment.** The provisions of this rule shall apply to
20 impeachment, and nothing in the rules of the Senate or in any statute shall
21 impair or limit the powers of the Senate with respect to impeachment. In
22 addition to other powers, the President shall possess the powers and
23 perform the duties in this rule.

24 (1) The President shall call the Senate into session within 30 days of
25 the receipt by the President of any request by a board of managers of the
26 House of Representatives to lay articles of impeachment before the
27 Senate.

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

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

36 **Rule 62. Sergeant at Arms – Duties.** The Sergeant at Arms shall be
37 appointed by the President, and shall serve under the President's
38 direction, control and supervision and at the President's pleasure and shall
39 execute all orders of the President or Senate. The Sergeant at Arms shall
40 have the general supervision of the Senate Chamber, the cloak rooms,
41 gallery and lobby, and shall preserve order within the chamber at all
42 times. The Sergeant at Arms may arrest and take into custody any person
43 gaining admission to the floor of the Senate through false representations

1 or violation of Rule 56 (listing persons authorized to be admitted to the
2 floor of the Senate). All violations shall be immediately reported to the
3 President for action by the Senate. No person except those entitled to
4 admittance on the floor of the Senate pursuant to Rule 56 (listing persons
5 authorized to be admitted to the floor of the Senate) shall lounge or loaf
6 in the Senate chamber when the Senate is not in session, and the Sergeant
7 at Arms shall detail at least one assistant to remain in the chamber at all
8 times when the same is open. The President may appoint and remove
9 Assistant Sergeants at Arms to serve under the supervision of the
10 Sergeant at Arms. All doorkeepers and night watchmen shall be Assistant
11 Sergeants at Arms.

12 **Rule 63. Requisitions for Printing.** All requisitions upon the Director
13 of Printing for calendars, bills, documents, and printed matter of any
14 nature whatsoever, must be approved by the Director of Legislative
15 Administrative Services.

16 **Rule 64. Employees – Duties.** All employees shall report each day to
17 their respective supervisors. The Director of Legislative Administrative
18 Services or some person designated by the director shall keep a record of
19 the attendance of each employee. The supervisor of an employee may
20 discharge the employee at any time. The word "employee" as used in this
21 section shall include all persons employed by the Senate, except the
22 secretaries of each of the members of the Senate and except the Secretary
23 of the Senate and Sergeant at Arms, which officers may be removed by
24 the President of the Senate.

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

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

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

40 (b) A motion to declare an emergency, suspend the rules, and
41 advance a bill to Final Action shall be considered as one motion. It may
42 be made and considered immediately under any order of business, and be
43 debatable on the question of the emergency. A 2/3 affirmative vote of all

1 Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall be required for its
2 adoption.

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

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

13 Notwithstanding any provision of the rules of the Senate to the
14 contrary, no notice shall be required for the adoption of a resolution
15 adopting, amending or revoking any one or more rules of the Senate at
16 the commencement of a legislative session, and adoption of any such
17 resolution shall require only the affirmative vote of not less than a
18 majority of the Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified, subject
19 to the following conditions: (1) The resolution is sponsored by the
20 President or any three Senators, and (2) either (a) a copy thereof is e-
21 mailed to each Senator not later than 11:00 p.m. on the Thursday
22 preceding the Monday on which the legislative session is to commence or
23 (b) in lieu of e-mailing copies of the resolution are made available to
24 Senators on the first day of the legislative session and Final Action is
25 taken on the second legislative day.

26 **Rule 69. Robert's Rules of Order.** In all cases where these rules or
27 the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives do not apply,
28 the rules of parliamentary law in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised,
29 11th edition, shall govern.

30 **Rule 70. Number Designation of Substitute Bills and Substitute
31 Concurrent Resolutions.** (a) Whenever a substitute bill is recommended
32 by a committee report, and whenever a substitute bill is approved by
33 amendment from the floor, the substitute bill shall be printed as provided
34 for bills introduced, and the bill number designation shall be substantially
35 as follows:

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

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

42 (b) Whenever a substitute concurrent resolution is recommended by
43 a committee report, and whenever a substitute concurrent resolution is

1 approved by amendment from the floor, the substitute concurrent
2 resolution shall be printed as provided for concurrent resolutions
3 introduced, and the resolution number designation shall be substantially
4 as follows:

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

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

13 **Rule 71. General Rule Not to Read Amendments.** Amendments to
14 bills or resolutions shall not require readings as for bills introduced or
15 resolutions introduced, except as otherwise provided in Rule 72 (subject
16 matter of bill or resolution materially changed by senate amendment) or
17 Rule 73 (subject matter of senate bill or resolution materially changed by
18 house amendment).

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

24 **Rule 73. Subject Change by House.** Whenever the House adopts
25 amendments to a Senate bill or senate concurrent resolution which
26 materially changes its subject, upon return of such bill or resolution to the
27 Senate, the title of such bill or resolution shall be read in the manner
28 prescribed for the introduction of bills or resolutions and such bill or
29 resolution shall be referred as provided in Rule 32 (reference of bills and
30 resolutions).

31 **Rule 74. Determination of When Subject of Bill or Resolution**
32 **Materially Changed.** The President may determine when a bill or
33 resolution is subject to Rule 72 (subject matter of bill or resolution
34 materially changed by senate amendment) or Rule 73 (subject matter of
35 senate bill or senate concurrent resolution materially changed by house
36 amendment). The President's determination under this rule, that a bill or
37 resolution has been materially changed is subject to an appeal to the
38 Senate by any member. A 2/3 vote of the members of the Senate present
39 and voting shall be required to overturn the ruling of the chair. The vote
40 on an appeal to the Senate under this rule shall not be a roll call vote.
41 Every appeal under this rule shall be taken without debate.

42 **Rule 75. Executive Reorganization Orders.** When an executive
43 reorganization order is received from the Governor, it shall be referred to

1 an appropriate committee by the President. The committee to which an
2 executive reorganization order is referred shall report its
3 recommendations thereon, by recommending adoption of a Senate
4 resolution, not later than the 60th calendar day of any regular session and
5 not later than 30 calendar days after it has received such referral
6 whichever occurs first. If a committee fails to report upon an executive
7 reorganization order within the time specified in this rule, such committee
8 shall be deemed to have returned the same to the Senate without
9 recommendation. When a report or return of an executive reorganization
10 is made, it and all resolutions for approval or disapproval thereof shall be
11 made the special order of business in accordance with Rule 6 (special
12 order of business) at a time not later than the last day the executive
13 reorganization order may be disapproved under section 6 of article 1 of
14 the Constitution of Kansas. The Senate shall act to approve or reject
15 every reorganization order unless at the time set for such action the House
16 of Representatives shall have already rejected such executive
17 reorganization order.

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

40 **Rule 77. Taking from the Table.** The affirmative vote of a 2/3
41 majority of all Senators then elected (or appointed) and qualified shall be
42 required for the adoption of a motion to take any question or proposition
43 from the table after the adoption of a motion to table or lay such question

1 or proposition on the table. The provisions of this rule shall apply to
2 motions both in standing committees and the Senate.

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

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