

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing House Rules provide for the order of business and procedures and motions relative to returning legislative instruments to and calling legislative instruments from the calendar.

Existing House Rule (House Rule 8.8) provides that as each legislative instrument is advanced to each successive order of business, it shall be placed on the calendar in the proper order of business in numerical order with other instruments advanced to the same order on the same day and these numerically ordered listings of instruments shall in turn be arranged according to the day of advancement to said order and then each instrument shall be considered during that order of business in the order listed.

New House Rule provides that notwithstanding existing House Rule (House Rule 8.8), at the discretion of the Speaker on the last legislative day of the week for the House, the House may consider legislative instruments on third reading and final consideration or final passage that are noncontroversial in preferential order. New House Rule provides that if the Speaker determines the necessity for the House to proceed under the provisions of this new House Rule, which shall be referred to as the "Berthelot Rule", he shall announce his intention to the House no later than the legislative day prior to the last legislative day of the week. Provides that if a member raises an objection to proceeding under the Berthelot Rule, then so proceeding shall require a motion adopted by a favorable vote of a majority of the members present and voting. Specifies that the motion is not debatable. Provides that if an instrument is not considered in the order of its maturing due to the House proceeding under the Berthelot Rule, the instrument shall remain on the calendar in the same numerical order for consideration on the next legislative day and further specifies that if a member objects to a legislative instrument being considered in preferential order pursuant to the Berthelot Rule, the instrument shall remain on the calendar in the same numerical order for consideration on the next legislative day.

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(Adds House Rule 8.20.1)