

(House Resolution 627, adopted December 22, 2015)

A RESOLUTION

Adopting a temporary rule of the House of Representatives relating solely to the General Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year 2015-2016, Senate Bill No. 1073 (2015).

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives adopt a temporary rule to read:

(2015-2016)

TEMPORARY RULE

OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

For consideration of the General Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2015, Senate Bill No. 1073 (2015), Rules 19(b) and 21 of the 2015-2016 General Operating Rules of the House of Representatives, and the temporary rule adopted by House Resolution No. 617, Printer's Number 2664, shall not apply, and this temporary rule shall apply.

Any amendment offered on the floor of the House to Senate Bill No. 1073, except for a motion to revert to Printer's Number 1459, that proposes to increase spending of State dollars for the Commonwealth's proposed fiscal year or prior fiscal years above the levels contained in Senate Bill No. 1073 as reported from the Appropriations Committee shall not be in order and may not be considered unless the same amendment contains sufficient reductions in line items of Senate Bill No. 1073 so that the amendment offered does not result in a net increase in the total proposed spending contained within Senate Bill No. 1073. Any amendment, except for a motion to revert to Printer's Number 1459, as prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau, must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk within two hours of the adoption of this temporary rule.

Debate on any debatable question related to Senate Bill No. 1073 shall be limited to five minutes each time a member is recognized. On the bill, a sponsor of an amendment shall be entitled to be recognized twice, a maker of a debatable motion shall be entitled to be recognized twice, any other members shall be entitled to be recognized once. A motion to revert to Printer's Number 1459 shall be in order at any time.

Senate Bill No. 1073 shall be considered on three different days. All amendments made thereto shall be printed for the use of the members before the final vote is taken thereon, and before the final vote is taken, upon written request addressed to the presiding officer by at least 25% of the members elected to the House, Senate Bill No. 1073 shall be read at length. Senate Bill No. 1073 shall not become law unless, on its final passage, the vote is taken by yeas and nays, the names of persons voting for it and against it are entered on the Journal, and a majority of the members elected to the House is recorded thereon as voting in its favor. (Constitution, Article III, Section 4).

Members shall be notified when Senate Bill No. 1073 is scheduled to be voted on second and third consideration. A change in the printer's number as a result of third consideration shall not require an additional notice of final passage. Senate Bill No. 1073 may not receive action on final passage until at least six hours have elapsed from the time the bill and its amendatory language was available to the public. No vote on final passage of Senate Bill No. 1073 can occur before the date of the scheduled vote.