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AND TRELLO, MARCH 27, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 28, 1979

In the House of Representatives, March 27, 1979

1       RESOLVED, That House Rule 19 be amended to read:

2                               RULE 19

3                               Bills Referred to Committees

4       (1) No bill shall be considered unless referred to a  
5 committee, printed for the use of the members and returned  
6 therefrom.

7       (2) No general appropriations bill, nonpreferred  
8 appropriations bill, general budget bill or capital budget bill  
9 shall be introduced by or considered by the Appropriations  
10 Committee without a full review and written recommendation for  
11 the level of funding for that appropriation by the appropriate  
12 standing committee as listed below. In the case of  
13 appropriations requests in the form of Senate bills, the  
14 Appropriations Committee shall not consider such legislation  
15 without following the same procedure as outlined above.

1     (3) Each Standing Committee shall make the initial review of  
2 any budget or appropriations request from any executive office,  
3 State department, agency, board or commission, within its  
4 jurisdiction as outlined below. In carrying out its review of  
5 any budget or appropriations request, the committee may hold  
6 public hearings, require testimony of appropriate officials and  
7 request any other pertinent information the committee feels  
8 necessary to make a complete report and written recommendation  
9 to the Appropriations Committee on the budget request.

10    (4) In order to facilitate the Standing Committee's review,  
11 the Appropriations Committee shall submit to each committee  
12 chairman, a maximum funding limit, which shall represent the  
13 total dollar amount the Appropriations Committee deems available  
14 for all executive offices, State departments, agencies, boards  
15 or commissions within the jurisdiction of the Standing  
16 Committee. This dollar amount shall be submitted to each  
17 Standing Committee chairman no later than April 1 of each year  
18 in the case of a general appropriations bill, and no later than  
19 30 days after the Appropriations Committee receives a request  
20 for nonpreferred, general budget or capital budget  
21 appropriations.

22    (5) In addition, upon request of the Standing Committee  
23 chairman, the Appropriations Committee shall furnish assistance  
24 to any Standing Committee for the purpose of that committee's  
25 review and recommendations.

26    (6) When the Standing Committee submits its written report  
27 and recommendation for funding to the Appropriations Committee,  
28 and the sum of all funding recommendations within its  
29 jurisdiction does not exceed the maximum funding limit  
30 established by the Appropriations Committee, the Appropriations

1 Committee shall include that recommendation within any  
2 legislation it reports to the floor for consideration without  
3 alteration.

4 (7) In the case where a committee recommendation for funding  
5 exceeds the maximum funding limit, the Appropriations Committee  
6 may accept that recommendation; but in all instances where the  
7 Appropriations Committee decides to reduce the funding level  
8 below the recommendation of the Standing Committee, it must  
9 maintain the ratio of funding established by the Standing  
10 Committee between the executive offices, State departments,  
11 agencies, boards and commissions within its jurisdiction.

12 (8) Where two committees share joint responsibilities over  
13 an executive office, State department, agency, board or  
14 commission, the committees involved shall act jointly in their  
15 review and shall, if necessary, hold joint public hearings.  
16 After their joint review is completed, they shall submit a joint  
17 recommendation to the Appropriations Committee.

18 (9) The Standing Committee shall complete its review and  
19 make its written recommendation to the Appropriations Committee  
20 on any general appropriations request no later than May 1 of the  
21 year; and in the case of nonpreferred requests, general budget  
22 requests or capital budget requests, no later than 30 days after  
23 it receives its maximum funding limit from the Appropriations  
24 Committee.

25 (10) Where a Standing Committee has standing subcommittees,  
26 the committee may delegate its review responsibility to a  
27 subcommittee: Provided, however, That the final review and  
28 recommendation comes from the full Standing Committee.

29 (11) All Standing Committees may submit changes in their  
30 recommendations for funding levels to the Appropriations

1 Committee prior to any House action on the final legislation.

2 (12) The following Standing Committees shall review the  
3 budget requests of the executive offices, State departments,  
4 agencies, boards or commissions as designated below:

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,</u>
	<u>AGENCY, BOARD OR COMMISSION</u>
<u>Agriculture and Rural Affairs</u>	<u>Department of Agriculture</u>
	<u>Milk Marketing Board</u>
<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Governor's Office</u>
	<u>Lieutenant Governor's Office</u>
	<u>Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse</u>
	<u>Council on the Arts</u>
	<u>Human Relations Commission</u>
	<u>House of Representatives - Senate</u>
<u>Business and Commerce</u>	<u>Department of Commerce</u>
	<u>Department of Banking</u>
	<u>Pennsylvania Securities</u>
	<u>Commission</u>
	<u>Pennsylvania Housing Finance</u>
	<u>Agency</u>
<u>Conservation</u>	<u>Department of Environmental</u>
	<u>Resources</u>
<u>Consumer Affairs</u>	<u>Department of General Services</u>
	<u>Public Utility Commission</u>
<u>Education</u>	<u>Department of Education</u>
	<u>Historical and Museum Commission</u>
	<u>Pennsylvania Public Television</u>
	<u>Network Commission</u>
	<u>Pennsylvania Higher Education</u>
	<u>Assistance Agency</u>

1	<u>Finance</u>	<u>Department of Revenue</u>
2		<u>Department of Treasury</u>
3		<u>State Harness Racing Commission</u>
4		<u>Horse Racing Commission</u>
5		<u>State Tax Equalization Board</u>
6		<u>Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement</u>
7		<u>Board</u>
8		<u>Board of Arbitration of Claims</u>
9	<u>Game and Fisheries</u>	<u>Pennsylvania Game and Fish</u>
10		<u>Commission</u>
11	<u>Health and Welfare</u>	<u>Department of Health</u>
12		<u>Department of Public Welfare</u>
13		<u>Department of Aging</u>
14	<u>Insurance</u>	<u>Department of Insurance</u>
15	<u>Judiciary</u>	<u>Department of Justice</u>
16		<u>Office of Attorney General</u>
17		<u>State Police</u>
18		<u>Supreme Court</u>
19		<u>Superior Court</u>
20		<u>Commonwealth Court</u>
21		<u>Court of Common Pleas</u>
22		<u>District Justices - Community</u>
23		<u>Courts</u>
24		<u>Philadelphia Traffic Court</u>
25		<u>Philadelphia Municipal Court</u>
26		<u>Board of Probation and Parole</u>
27		<u>Board of Pardons</u>
28		<u>Crime Victims Compensation Board</u>
29		<u>Pennsylvania Commission on Crime</u>
30		<u>and Delinquency</u>

1	<u>Pennsylvania Crime Commission</u>
2	<u>Labor Relations</u> <u>Department of Labor and Industry</u>
3	<u>Liquor Control</u> <u>Liquor Control Board</u>
4	<u>Local Government</u> <u>Department of Community Affairs</u>
5	<u>Mines and Energy Management</u> <u>Department of Environmental</u>
6	<u>Resources</u>
7	<u>State Government</u> <u>Department of State</u>
8	<u>Department of Auditor General</u>
9	<u>Civil Service Commission</u>
10	<u>Commonwealth Compensation</u>
11	<u>Commission</u>
12	<u>Transportation</u> <u>Department of Transportation</u>
13	<u>Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission</u>
14	<u>Urban Affairs</u> <u>Department of Community Affairs</u>
15	<u>Military and Veterans Affairs</u> <u>Department of Military Affairs</u>

16        (13) In addition, nonpreferred legislation requesting

17 appropriations for educational institutions shall be reviewed by

18 the Education Committee. Nonpreferred legislation requesting

19 appropriations for health care facilities and health/social

20 service related issues shall be reviewed by the Health and

21 Welfare Committee. All other nonpreferred legislation shall be

22 reviewed by the Appropriations Committee.

23        (14) Any specific appropriations request by an executive

24 office, State department, agency, board or commission not

25 outlined above, shall be reviewed by the Appropriations

26 Committee.