

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

A RESOLUTION

1 Amending Senate Rule 14.

2 RESOLVED, That Senate Rule 14(j) be amended and the rule be
3 amended by adding a subsection to read:

4 Rule 14. Committees.

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6 (j) Consideration of legislation.--

7 (1) The prime sponsor of a bill or resolution may
8 request that the chairperson of a standing committee hold a
9 meeting on a bill or resolution introduced and referred to
10 the standing committee. The chairperson shall hold a public
11 meeting within 10 legislative days of receiving a request
12 from the prime sponsor of a bill or resolution. All meetings
13 on bills or resolutions shall be subject to the requirements
14 of 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 7. The chairperson of a standing committee
15 shall provide reasonable opportunity for public comment or
16 testimony at each meeting.

17 (2) Within 10 legislative days of a meeting on a bill or

1 resolution held under paragraph (1), the chairperson of a
2 standing committee shall hold a meeting of the standing
3 committee to consider the bill or resolution.

4 [(j)] (k) Discharging committees.--

5 (1) No standing committee shall be discharged from
6 consideration of any bill, resolution or other matter within
7 [10] 20 legislative days of its reference to committee
8 without the unanimous consent of the Senate or after such
9 [10-day] 20-day period except by majority vote of all members
10 elected to the Senate.

11 (2) Such discharge shall be by resolution which shall
12 lie over one day for consideration upon introduction and
13 which may be considered under the Order of Business of
14 Resolutions on the Calendar.