

SENATE RESOLUTION
8667

By Senators Fain and Rolfes

WHEREAS, The Senate adopted permanent rules for the 2013-2015 biennium under Senate Resolution 8601; and

WHEREAS, The notice requirements set forth in Senate Rule 35 have been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, The Senate desires to amend rules 41 and 56;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Rule 41 is amended as follows:

"Rule 41. The president shall appoint all conference, special, joint and standing committees on the part of the senate. The appointment of the conference, special, joint and standing committees shall be confirmed by the senate.

In the event the senate shall refuse to confirm any conference, special, joint or standing committee or committees, such committee or committees shall be elected by the senate.

The following standing committees shall constitute the standing committees of the senate:

Standing Committee Total Membership

1. Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development . .~~((7))~~ 6
2. Commerce & Labor . .7
3. Early Learning & K-12 Education . .11
4. Energy, Environment & Telecommunications . .9
5. Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance . .7
6. Governmental Operations . .7
7. Health Care . .9
8. Higher Education . .7
9. Human Services & Corrections . .~~((7))~~ 5
10. Law & Justice . .7
11. Natural Resources & Parks . .7
12. Rules . .21 (plus the Lieutenant Governor)
13. Trade & Economic Development . .7
14. Transportation . .~~((46))~~ 15
15. Ways & Means . .23"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Rule 56 is amended as follows:

"Rule 56. All bills, joint resolutions, and joint memorials introduced shall be endorsed with a statement of the title and the name of the member introducing the same. Any member desiring to introduce a bill, joint resolution, or joint memorial shall file the same with the secretary of the senate by noon of the day before the convening of the session at which said bill, joint resolution, or joint memorial is to be introduced.

Provided that a vote has not been taken on final passage of a bill, joint resolution, or joint memorial, a member may add his or her name as a cosponsor until 2:00 p.m. of the day of its introduction. For any bill, joint resolution, or joint memorial that has been prefiled for a regular session, a member has until 2:00 p.m. of the day following introduction to add his or her name as a cosponsor.

To be considered during a regular session, a bill must be introduced at least ten days before final adjournment of the legislature, unless the legislature directs otherwise by a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, said vote to be taken by yeas and nays and entered upon the journal. The time limitation for introduction of bills shall not apply to substitute bills reported by standing committees for bills pending before such committees and general appropriation and revenue bills. (See also Art. 2, Sec. 36, State Constitution.)"