

1.1 A Senate resolution

1.2 amending the Temporary Rules of the Senate.

1.3 Temporary Senate Rule No. 36 is amended to read:

1.4 **36. DEBATE**

1.5 36.1 When a member is about to speak to the Senate, the member shall rise and respectfully
1.6 address "Madam (or Mr.) President." The member may not proceed to speak further until recognized
1.7 by the President.

1.8 36.2 The member shall speak only to the question under debate and avoid personality.

1.9 36.3 The member may inform the Senate of the Governor's position on a bill and on its status
1.10 in the House of Representatives.

1.11 36.4 In discussing a resolution, each member is limited to ten minutes.

1.12 36.5 A member may not speak more than twice on the same question on the same day without
1.13 permission of the Senate.

1.14 36.6 When a member is speaking, no one may stand between the member speaking and the
1.15 President.

1.16 36.7 A member may not speak without using a microphone.

1.17 36.8 All remarks during debate shall be addressed to the President.

1.18 36.9 When the President puts a question, or addresses the Senate, no one may walk out of or
1.19 cross the Chamber.

1.20 36.10 When a member is called to order, the member shall be silent until it is determined
1.21 whether or not the member is in order. If a member is called to order for words spoken in debate,
1.22 the words excepted to must be taken down in writing by the Secretary immediately.

36.11 Debate on the report of a conference committee is in order at any time after the report has been made available electronically or printed and placed on the desk of each member, or at an earlier time agreed to by a majority of the whole Senate.

36.12 A member voting under Rule 40.7 must be allowed to participate in debate, make motions, and raise points of order in a manner that allows all members participating to hear one another speak.

Temporary Senate Rule No. 37 is amended to read:

37. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

A member or officer of the Senate may not be absent from a session of the Senate unless excused by the Senate. For the purposes of this rule only, a member is present when present in the Senate chamber or when voting from a location outside of the chamber, as provided in ~~Rules~~ Rule 40.7 and 40.8. The name of a member excused must be printed in the Journal.

Temporary Senate Rule No. 40 is amended to read:

40. VOTING

40.1 The President shall distinctly state the question before taking the vote. The President shall declare the result of the vote. If a member questions the result of a vote, the President shall order a division.

40.2 Except as provided in ~~Rules~~ Rule 40.7 and 40.8, a member may vote on a question or be counted on a division only at the member's own seat in the Senate Chamber.

40.3 At any time before the start of voting on a question, a member may request a roll call vote, which must be entered in the Journal, unless at the time the request is made, the Senate is taking a roll call vote using the electrical voting system.

40.4 Unless otherwise ordered, a roll call vote, except upon elections, may be taken by means of the electrical voting system under the control of the President.

40.5 A roll call vote may not be interrupted except: ~~(1) to announce the vote of a member voting remotely, as provided in Rule 40.8, and~~ (2) to close the roll as provided in Rule 41.3.

40.6 A member or other person may not proceed to or remain by the Secretary's desk while a roll call or division is being taken.

40.7 During a special session, ~~a peacetime public health emergency~~, or with the approval of the respective caucus leader, a member may vote on a question from a location outside the Senate chamber, ~~in accordance with Rule 40.8. For the purposes of this rule, "peacetime public health emergency" means any peacetime emergency declared by the Governor in an executive order that relates to the infectious disease known as COVID-19~~ A member voting remotely in a roll call vote

3.1 must vote in a manner that allows all members participating in the roll call vote to hear one another
3.2 speak.

3.3 ~~40.8 When permissible under Rule 40.7, a member may authorize a designee chosen by the~~
3.4 ~~respective caucus leader to vote on the member's behalf while the member is at a location outside~~
3.5 ~~of the Senate chamber. When a member assigns the member's vote to a designee under this rule,~~
3.6 ~~the designee shall vote on the member's behalf as directed by the member on each question. The~~
3.7 ~~Secretary may adopt procedures to ensure the accurate and efficient administration of this rule.~~

3.8 ~~40.9~~ 40.8 A member voting remotely may not accept per diem living expenses for a day when
3.9 the member voted remotely.

3.10 40.9 The Secretary of the Senate must implement a remote voting system that allows all
3.11 members participating in debate as provided in Rule 27.11 and voting as provided in Rule 40.7 in
3.12 a manner that allows all participants to hear one another speak. The voting system implemented
3.13 must include security and identification features that ensure the member is the person participating
3.14 and that the participation is secure.