

Part 3 Consent Calendar

HR4-4-301 Consent calendar.

- (1) If a standing committee report recommends that a piece of legislation be placed on the consent calendar and the standing committee report is adopted by the House, the chief clerk or the chief clerk's designee shall place the legislation on the consent calendar.
- (2)
 - (a) Whenever the consent calendar contains legislation, the presiding officer shall inform the House each day that:
 - (i) there are items on the consent calendar; and
 - (ii) if any representative objects to a piece of legislation on the consent calendar, that representative should inform the chief clerk.
 - (b) If the chief clerk receives written objections to a piece of legislation from six or more representatives, the chief clerk shall:
 - (i) remove the legislation from the consent calendar;
 - (ii) inform the sponsor that the legislation has been removed from the consent calendar; and
 - (iii) place the legislation at the bottom of the third reading calendar.
- (3) The presiding officer shall announce that the legislation has been removed from the consent calendar.
- (4)
 - (a) If, after two calendar days, no more than five members have registered written objections to the legislation with the chief clerk:
 - (i) the legislation shall be read the third time;
 - (ii) the presiding officer shall grant the sponsor of the legislation two minutes to introduce and explain the legislation; and
 - (iii) the presiding officer shall pose the question and take the final vote on the legislation.
 - (b) The presiding officer may not allow debate on legislation on the consent calendar.
- (5)
 - (a) If the representative sponsoring the legislation on the consent calendar is absent from the floor when the legislation is ready to be read for the third time and considered for passage, a representative may make a motion to circle the legislation.
 - (b) If the motion to circle is successful and the representative sponsoring the legislation has not moved to uncircle the legislation before floor time is recessed or adjourned, the bill shall be placed on the bottom of the third reading calendar.