

Chapter 1

Adoption of Rules and Practices

SR1-1-101 Adoption, amendment, or suspension of Senate Rules.

- (1) The Senate shall adopt Senate Rules at the beginning of each legislative session by a constitutional two-thirds vote.
- (2) Except as provided in this Subsection (2) and in Subsection (3), after the initial adoption of Senate Rules, additional rules may be adopted or existing rules may be suspended, amended, or repealed by a majority vote, except rules governing motions for lifting tabled legislation from committee, which require a two-thirds vote to adopt, suspend, amend, or repeal.
- (3) If the suspension of any Senate Rule is governed by the Utah Constitution or Utah statutes, the Senate may suspend that rule only as provided by that constitutional or statutory provision.

SR1-1-102 Constitutional motion.

At the beginning of each annual general or special session of the Senate, before the reading of any piece of legislation, the Senate Rules Committee chair shall make the following motion:

"Mr. (Madam) President, as allowed by the Utah Constitution and the Joint Rules of the Legislature, I move that the Senate continue its practice of reading only the short title of bills and resolutions as they are introduced or considered on a Senate calendar and not read the long title of the bills and resolutions unless a majority of the Senate directs the reading of the long title, short title, or both of any House or Senate bill or resolution."

SR1-1-103 Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure -- Reference.

In addition to Senate Rules and other applicable legislative rules, the presiding officer may use Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure as a reference when a question arises about parliamentary practice, legislative process, or legislative procedure that is not resolved by reference to legislative rules.