

SR4-4-301 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 Senate, the secretary of the Senate or the secretary's designee shall:
 - (a) read the legislation for the second time; and
 - (b) place the legislation on the consent calendar.
- (2)
 - (a) Whenever the consent calendar contains legislation, the presiding officer shall inform the Senate each day that:
 - (i) there are items on the consent calendar; and
 - (ii) if any senator objects to a piece of legislation on the consent calendar, three or more senators may move the legislation to the second reading calendar by notifying the secretary of the Senate verbally or in writing.
 - (b) If the secretary of the Senate receives requests to move a piece of legislation from the consent calendar to the second reading calendar from three or more senators, the secretary shall:
 - (i) remove the legislation from the consent calendar; and
 - (ii) place the legislation at the bottom of the second reading calendar.
- (3) If, after three days during which the Senate has floor time, no more than two members have registered objections to the legislation, the legislation shall be:
 - (a) read the third time;
 - (b) placed before the Senate; and
 - (c) considered for final passage.
- (4)
 - (a) The presiding officer shall pose the question on each consent calendar bill in the following form:

"The presiding officer has determined that a quorum is present.
Those who favor the question say, 'aye.'
Does the chair hear a single dissenting nay to the question?"
 - (b) If the presiding officer hears no nays to the question, a unanimous vote of the senators present shall be recorded in favor of the legislation.
 - (c) If the presiding officer hears any nays to the question, a roll call vote shall be taken immediately.
- (5) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (4), any senator may, before the roll call vote is taken, make a motion to remove the bill from the consent calendar and place it on the bottom of the third reading calendar.
- (6) Nothing in this section prevents a senator from challenging the ruling of the chair or asking for a vote on any question.