

HR2-4-101.2 Admittance to House floor -- Guests -- Lobbyists.

- (1) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session, the following individuals are permitted on the House floor:
 - (a) a legislator;
 - (b) a legislative employee;
 - (c) a member of professional legislative staff;
 - (d) a House intern;
 - (e) a former legislator who is not a lobbyist; and
 - (f) the governor, lieutenant governor, state attorney general, state treasurer, and state auditor.
- (2)
 - (a) While the House is convened in annual general session or special session, a representative may invite one of the following individuals as a guest to accompany the representative on the House floor:
 - (i) a member of the representative's immediate family;
 - (ii) an administrative assistant other than a House intern; or
 - (iii) a constituent who resides in the member's district.
 - (b) A representative may have no more than one guest on the House floor at any one time.
 - (c) A representative who invites a guest onto the House floor shall:
 - (i) if the guest is not seated next to the representative as permitted under HR2-4-102, ensure that the guest sits on a bench on the House floor, provided that seating is available; and
 - (ii) ensure that the guest stays only for a short visit not to exceed one hour.
- (3)
 - (a) Except as provided in this Subsection (3), a lobbyist is not permitted on the floor of the House.
 - (b) A representative sponsoring a piece of legislation being debated by the House may invite one lobbyist with expertise on the legislation being considered to be present on the House floor during the presentation and debate on the legislation, if:
 - (i) the representative informs the sergeant-at-arms that the lobbyist is present on the House floor;
 - (ii) the representative ensures that the lobbyist is seated on a bench on the House floor during the presentation and debate on the legislation;
 - (iii) the representative ensures that the lobbyist does not lobby on the House floor; and
 - (iv) the lobbyist leaves the House floor when the House moves to another item of business.
 - (c) If the representative sponsoring the legislation needs the assistance of the lobbyist during the course of debate on the legislation, the representative may request permission of the speaker to have the lobbyist approach the representative sponsoring the legislation to provide the needed information to the representative.
- (4) The speaker or the speaker's designee may authorize special guests to be present in the House chamber or on the House floor.
- (5) A representative who is visited by two or more guests shall arrange with the sergeant-at-arms for the guests to be seated in the House gallery.