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**Part 2**  
**Creation and Organization of House Standing Committees**

**HR3-2-201 Standing committees -- Creation.**

- (1) There are created the following standing committees:
  - (a) Business and Labor;
  - (b) Economic Development and Workforce Services;
  - (c) Education;
  - (d) Government Operations;
  - (e) Health and Human Services;
  - (f) House Rules;
  - (g) Judiciary;
  - (h) Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice;
  - (i) Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment;
  - (j) Political Subdivisions;
  - (k) Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology;
  - (l) Revenue and Taxation; and
  - (m) Transportation.
- (2) The members of the Retirement and Independent Entities Committee created in Utah Code Section 63E-1-201 comprise a House standing committee.

**HR3-2-202 Speaker to appoint committee members, chairs, and vice chairs.**

- (1) The speaker of the House shall appoint members of the House to each standing committee.
- (2) The speaker of the House shall appoint a chair to each standing committee.
- (3) The speaker of the House may appoint a vice chair to each standing committee.
- (4) A vice chair may perform the duties of a chair:
  - (a) as requested by the chair; or
  - (b) in the absence of the chair.
- (5) The chair, or the vice chair as authorized under Subsection (4), may designate a member of the committee to conduct a standing committee meeting when neither the chair nor the vice chair is able to attend a meeting.
- (6) A committee member designated under Subsection (5) may conduct a committee meeting but may not perform the duties of a chair described in HR3-2-302 and HR3-2-303.

**HR3-2-203 Quorum requirements.**

- (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), a majority of a standing committee is a quorum.
- (2) In determining whether a quorum is present, the speaker, majority leader, majority whip, assistant majority whip, House Rules Committee chair, Executive Appropriations Committee chair, minority leader, minority whip, assistant minority whip, and the fourth member of leadership from the minority party are not counted in determining a quorum for a standing committee, except during the time that the representative is present at the meeting.

**HR3-2-204 Committee order of business.**

Unless a standing committee chair, or a committee by majority vote, determines otherwise, the order of business for a standing committee is:

- (1) call to order by the chair;
- (2) approval of the minutes of previous meetings;
- (3) announcement of the agenda;
- (4) announcement of time restrictions, if any, subject to the requirements of HR3-2-304; and
- (5) consideration of standing committee business.