

57 the management committee for such causes as inefficiency, incompetency, failure to maintain
 58 skills or adequate performance levels, insubordination, misfeasance, malfeasance, or
 59 nonfeasance in office. ~~[In the event]~~ If a vacancy occurs in any of these offices after
 60 adjournment of the Legislature, the committee shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy
 61 until such time as the person is approved or rejected by majority vote of the next session of the
 62 Legislature;

63 (b) develop policies for personnel management, compensation, and training of all
 64 professional legislative staff;

65 (c) develop a policy within the limits of legislative appropriation for the authorization
 66 and payment to legislators of compensation and travel expenses, including out-of-state travel;

67 (d) approve special study budget requests of the legislative directors; and

68 (e) assist the speaker-elect of the House of Representatives and the president-elect of
 69 the Senate, upon selection by their majority party caucus, to organize their respective houses of
 70 the Legislature and assume the direction of the operation of the Legislature in the forthcoming
 71 annual general session.

72 (4) (a) The Legislature delegates to the Legislative Management Committee the
 73 authority, by means of a majority vote of the committee, to direct the legislative general
 74 counsel in matters involving the Legislature's participation in litigation.

75 (b) The Legislature has an unconditional right to intervene in a state court action and
 76 may provide evidence or argument, written or oral, if a party to that court action challenges:

77 (i) the constitutionality of a state statute;

78 (ii) the validity of legislation; or

79 (iii) any action of the Legislature.

80 (c) In a federal court action that challenges the constitutionality of a state statute, the
 81 validity of legislation, or any action of the Legislature, the Legislature may seek to intervene, to
 82 file an amicus brief, or to present argument in accordance with federal rules of procedure.

83 (d) Intervention by the Legislature pursuant to Subsection (4)(b) or (c) does not limit
 84 the duty of the attorney general to appear and prosecute legal actions or defend state

84a ~~H→~~ **H→** agencies, ←H officers or

85 employees as otherwise provided by law.

86 (e) In any action in which the Legislature intervenes or participates, legislative counsel

87 ~~H→~~ **H→** and the attorney general ←H shall function independently from H→ [and on equal footing

87a with the attorney general] each other ←H in the