

710 majority of the legislative committee members present.

711 (2) The following are not in order during a vote:

712 (a) a motion;

713 (b) a point of order;

714 (c) a point of information; or

715 (d) a request for division.

716 (3) A member of a legislative committee may not make a motion to favorably

717 recommend draft legislation unless the legislation is drafted and distributed to the members of

718 the legislative committee.

719 Section 44. **JR7-1-601** is enacted to read:

720 **Part 6. Draft Legislation**

721 **JR7-1-601. Opening committee bill files.**

722 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (3), a member of a legislative committee may

723 make a motion to open a committee bill file if:

724 (a) the member describes the general subject matter of the legislation;

725 (b) the subject matter is germane to the subject matter over which the legislative

726 committee has jurisdiction; and

727 (c) the member intends that the legislative committee take action on the resulting draft

728 legislation before the next general session in a meeting of the legislative committee.

729 (2) Except as provided in JR7-1-602, a legislative committee may not authorize any

730 individual or group of individuals to open a committee bill file.

731 (3) A legislative committee may not open a committee bill file during the period that

732 begins January 1 and ends the day after the day on which the Legislature adjourns that year's

733 general session sine die.

734 Section 45. **JR7-1-602** is enacted to read:

735 **JR7-1-602. Interim committee chairs' authority to open committee bill files.**

736 During an interim committee's first meeting of a calendar year, the interim committee

737 may, by motion and majority vote, authorize the chairs to do one of the following:

738 Š→ [(1) for each study item adopted by the interim committee under JR7-1-401(3), open

739 one committee bill file related to the study item; or

740 — (2) for one or more study items adopted by the interim committee under JR7-1-401(3)⊕

741 ~~and specified in the motion, open one committee bill file related to the study item.]~~

741a (1) open one or more committee bill files related to any study item adopted by the
741b interim committee under JR7-1-401(3), as the chairs deem necessary; or

741c (2) open one or more committee bill files related to one or more study items that are:

741d (a) adopted by the interim committee under JR7-1-401(3); and

741e (b) specified in the motion. ←§

742 Section 46. **JR7-1-603** is enacted to read:

743 **JR7-1-603. Four phases when considering draft legislation -- Exception.**

744 (1) Subject to Subsection (2), a legislative committee shall consider draft legislation in
745 the following four phases:

746 (a) the presentation phase as described in JR7-1-604;

747 (b) the clarifying questions phase as described in JR7-1-605;

748 (c) the public comment phase as described in JR7-1-606; and

749 (d) the legislative committee action phase as described in JR7-1-607.

750 (2) The chair, or the legislative committee by majority vote, may elect to have the
751 legislative committee consider draft legislation in a manner different from the four phases
752 described in this part.

753 Section 47. **JR7-1-604** is enacted to read:

754 **JR7-1-604. Presentation phase.**

755 (1) During the presentation phase:

756 (a) the chair shall permit the legislative sponsor of the draft legislation to present the
757 draft legislation to the legislative committee; and

758 (b) a member of the legislative committee may not make a motion to amend the draft
759 legislation or dispose of the draft legislation.

760 (2) At the election of the legislative sponsor, the chair shall allow another individual to
761 assist with the legislative sponsor's presentation if the individual has expertise related to the
762 draft legislation.

763 Section 48. **JR7-1-605** is enacted to read:

764 **JR7-1-605. Clarifying questions phase.**

765 (1) During the clarifying questions phase:

766 (a) the chair shall allow members of the legislative committee to ask the legislative
767 sponsor questions to help clarify:

768 (i) the intent or purpose of the draft legislation; or

769 (ii) the meaning of the language of the draft legislation; and

770 (b) a member of the legislative committee may not make a motion to amend the draft
771 legislation or dispose of the draft legislation.