

1                   **SENATE RULES RESOLUTION - SENATE COMMITTEE**

2                                   **SECURITY**

3   2023 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5                                   **Chief Sponsor: Lincoln Fillmore**

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7   **LONG TITLE**

8   **General Description:**

9           This resolution enacts Senate rules related to conduct at a Senate committee meeting.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11           This resolution:

- 12           ▶ directs the chair of a Senate committee to preserve order and decorum during a  
13 meeting of the Senate committee;
- 14           ▶ provides the items and activities that are prohibited at a Senate committee meeting;  
15 and
- 16           ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18           None

19 **Legislative Rules Affected:**

20 ENACTS:

21           **SR3-4-101**

22           **SR3-4-102**

23 REPEALS AND REENACTS:

24           **SR3-2-310**

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26 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the state of Utah:*

27           Section 1. **SR3-2-310** is repealed and reenacted to read:



28 **SR3-2-310. Chair to preserve order and decorum.**

29 In accordance with SR3-4-101, the chair shall preserve order and decorum during a  
 30 standing committee meeting.

31 Section 2. **SR3-4-101** is enacted to read:

32 **CHAPTER 4. PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL SENATE COMMITTEES**

33 **SR3-4-101. Chair to preserve order and decorum.**

34 (1) The chair shall preserve order and decorum during a Senate committee meeting by:

35 (a) ensuring nothing obstructs a walkway or the view of a meeting attendee;

36 (b) ensuring the meeting is free from any audible or visual disturbance;

37 (c) protecting state property from damage or disarray;

38 (d) prohibiting speech likely to incite or produce imminent lawless action, fighting  
 39 words, or obscenity; and

40 (e) prohibiting any activity or item that poses a danger to the safety of a meeting  
 41 attendee.

42 (2) To preserve order and decorum in accordance with Subsection (1), the chair may:

43 (a) prohibit the following:

44 (i) standing, waving, yelling, or clapping;

45 (ii) loud noises;

46 (iii) food or drink, other than water in a closed container;

47 (iv) musical instruments;

48 (v) any item that may require excessive cleanup; or

49 (vi) to the extent necessary to preserve order and decorum, any other item or activity  
 50 the chair determines necessary;

51 (b) clear the meeting room of one or more individuals;

52 (c) recess the meeting; or

53 (d) request assistance from:

54 (i) the sergeant-at-arms; or

55 (ii) the Utah Highway Patrol.

56 Section 3. **SR3-4-102** is enacted to read:

57 **SR3-4-102. Prohibited items and activities in Senate committee meetings.**

58 **Ŝ → [†] ← Ŝ** A member of the public attending a meeting of a Senate committee may not:

59           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(a)] (1)~~ ←Ŝ bring into the meeting room, or possess while in the meeting room, any of  
59a the  
60 following:

61           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(i)] (a)~~ ←Ŝ a sign, poster, banner, or placard;  
62           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(ii)] (b)~~ ←Ŝ glitter or confetti;  
63           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(iii)] (c)~~ ←Ŝ a laser pointer;  
64           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(iv)] (d)~~ ←Ŝ paint;  
65           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(v)] (e)~~ ←Ŝ an open flame;  
66           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(vi)] (f)~~ ←Ŝ an incendiary device;  
67           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(vii)] (g)~~ ←Ŝ a noise maker;  
68           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(viii)] (h)~~ ←Ŝ flammable liquid; or  
69           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(ix)] (i)~~ ←Ŝ any harmful or hazardous substance; or  
70           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(b)] (2)~~ ←Ŝ engage in any of the following while in the meeting room:  
71           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(i)] (a)~~ ←Ŝ commercial solicitation;  
72           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(ii)] (b)~~ ←Ŝ leafletting;  
73           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(iii)] (c)~~ ←Ŝ throwing an item; or  
74           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(iv)] (d)~~ ←Ŝ adhering any item to a furnishing, wall, or other state property.  
75           ~~Ŝ~~→ ~~[(2) The chair may allow an individual to use an item described in Subsection (1) during~~  
76 the individual's presentation to the Senate committee, provided that the item's use does not  
77 affect the chair's ability to preserve order and decorum.] ←Ŝ