

12.10—The Select Committee and the Special Master shall each have the authority to request the issuance of subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum and other necessary process as in the case of standing committees under Rule 2.2. The committee chairman and the Special Master may each administer all oaths and affirmations in the manner prescribed by law to witnesses who shall appear for the purpose of testifying in any matter pending before the committee or Special Master.

Issuance of
subpoenas, etc.

RULE THIRTEEN

SPECIAL SESSION

13.1—All Senate rules in effect on adjournment of the next preceding regular session shall apply and govern during special sessions except to the extent specifically modified or contradicted herein.

Applicability
of Senate
Rules

13.2—The Senate shall meet each legislative day at 9:00 a.m.

Sessions of
the Senate

13.3—Committee meetings shall be coordinated and scheduled by the Committee on Rules and Calendar, or a subcommittee thereof. Meetings of standing committees and standing subcommittees scheduled in accordance with this rule may be held following an announcement by the chairman while the Senate is in session, and by the posting of notice on a bulletin board in the public corridor leading into the Senate Chamber for two (2) hours in advance of the meeting. All other provisions for publication of notice of committee meetings are suspended.

Committee
meetings:
schedule;
notice

13.4—All bills and other measures for introduction may be delivered to the Secretary of the Senate at any time.

Delivery for
introduction

13.5—Every bill, joint resolution, resolution and memorial referred to a standing committee or committees shall be reported to the Secretary before 4:40 p.m. of the third calendar day from the day of reference (the day of reference not being counted as the first day) unless otherwise ordered by the Senate by majority vote. Any bill upon which no committee report is filed as herein provided may be withdrawn from such committee and appropriately calendared upon point

Committee
reports

of order, provided that no bill may be thus withdrawn from the Committee on Ways and Means during the first five (5) days of a special session. Every bill, joint resolution, resolution, and memorial referred to a standing subcommittee shall be reported to the standing committee at a time specified by the chairman of the standing committee which shall not be beyond the time allowed herein.

13.6—The report of any committee of conference appointed pursuant to Rule 1.5 shall be read to the Senate on two (2) consecutive legislative days and, upon the completion of the second reading, the vote shall be upon the adoption or rejection thereof and final passage of the measure as recommended. During the last two (2) days of a special session the report shall be read only once.

The report must be acted upon as a whole, being adopted or rejected, and there shall accompany every such report a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report upon the measure to which it relates.

Conference committees shall consider and report only on the differences existing between the Senate and the House, and no substance foreign to the bills before the conferees shall be included in the report or considered by the Senate.

A conference committee may only report by recommending the adoption of a series of amendments to the House or Senate bill which was the subject of the conference, or it may offer an amendment striking everything after the enacting clause of any such bill referred to the committee. In any event the conference committee may recommend, as part of its report, the adoption or rejection of any or all of the amendments theretofore adopted by either House.

When any bill or joint resolution is referred to a conference committee and the conferees on the part of the Senate report an inability to agree, no action of the Senate taken prior to such reference to a conference committee shall preclude further action on said measure as the Senate may determine.

After Senate conferees shall have been appointed for thirty-six (36) hours and shall have failed to make a report, it is hereby declared to be a motion of the highest privilege to move to discharge said Senate conferees and to appoint new conferees, or to instruct said Senate conferees.

13.7—A motion to reconsider shall be made and considered on the same day.
Reconsideration

13.8—The Committee on Rules and Calendar may from time to time submit a Special Order Calendar determining the time and priority for consideration of bills.
Special Order Calendar

RULE FOURTEEN SEAL AND INSIGNIA

14.1—There shall be an official seal of the Senate. The seal shall be the size of a circle of two and one-half inches diameter having in the center thereof a fan of the five flags which have flown over Florida, above a disc containing the words: “In God We Trust” arched above a gavel, quill and scroll. At the top of the field of flags shall be the word: “Seal”. At the bottom shall be the date: 1838. The perimeter of the seal shall contain the words: “Senate” and the “State of Florida”.
Seal and Insignia

There shall be an official Coat of Arms for the Senate. The Coat of Arms shall contain a fan of the five flags that have flown over Florida, above the Great Seal of Florida. At the base of the Coat of Arms shall be the words: “The Florida Senate”.

These rules were adopted February 20, 1973, by a unanimous vote of thirty-nine (39) Senators present.

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