

GERMANITY STANDARDS

A proposed amendment must:

1. Be related to the same subject as the original measure,
2. Be a natural and logical expansion of the subject matter of the original proposal, and
3. Not raise a new independent issue.

The member raising the point of order has the burden of showing that the amendment is not germane.

COMMON MOTIONS

To take up a bill for second reading on SAME DAY as first reading:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be read a second time. (Article III, Section 7, Constitution; Rule 4.12, 2/3 vote)

To take up a bill for third reading on SAME DAY as second reading:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be read the third time and placed upon final passage. (Article III, Section 7, Constitution; Rule 4.12, 2/3 vote)

To take up a bill OUT OF ORDER:

Madam President, I (wish to give 15 minutes' notice of my intention to) move that Senate Bill ... (state position on calendar) be considered out of order. (Rule 4.16, unanimous consent)

To introduce a bill AFTER DEADLINE FOR FILING:

Madam President, I move that a bill relating to ...(subject)... be introduced, notwithstanding the fact that the deadline for filing bills has passed. (Motion and bill referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar) (Rule 4.6)

To substitute a COMPANION BILL:

Madam President, I move that House Bill ..., be (withdrawn from the Committee on ... and) substituted for Senate Bill (Rule 3.11, majority vote when bills are on same reading, 2/3 vote if not — companion measure shall be substantially the same and identical as to specific intent and purpose — 2/3 vote to withdraw from committee)

To REMOVE a bill from calendar and RECOMMIT or to refer to a different committee:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be removed from the calendar and recommitted to the Committee on (Rules 2.15 and 3.8, 2/3 vote)

To WITHDRAW a bill from committee:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ..., be withdrawn from the Committee(s) on (Rules 2.14, 3.8 and 4.10, 2/3 vote)

To WITHDRAW a bill from further consideration:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ..., be withdrawn from the Committee(s) on ... and further consideration. (Rules 3.8 and 4.10, 2/3 vote)

To REFER a bill to a different (or additional) committee:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be withdrawn from the Committee(s) on ... and referred to the Committee(s) on (be also referred to the Committee on) (Rules 3.8 and 4.10, 2/3 vote)

To consider a measure despite UNFAVORABLE REPORT:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be considered, the unfavorable report of the Committee on ... to the contrary notwithstanding. (Rule 4.7, 2/3 vote)

To introduce a bill OUTSIDE GOVERNOR'S CALL during special session:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... be admitted for introduction although it is outside the call of the Governor. (Article III, Section 3(c)(1), Constitution, 2/3 vote of membership)

Reports of committees on EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS:

Madam President, I move that the report of the committee be adopted, and the Senate confirm the appointments set forth in the committee report. (majority vote)

To VOTE, or CHANGE VOTE, after roll call but before announcement thereof:

Madam President, I wish to be recorded as voting "yea" (or "nay").

To VOTE, or CHANGE VOTE, after announcement of roll call:

Madam President, I request unanimous consent of the Senate to be recorded as voting "yea" (or "nay") on Senate (or House) Bill (Rule 5.2, unanimous consent)

Personal PRIVILEGE:

Madam President, I rise to a point of privilege (either "of the house" or "personal") and ask permission to address the Senate. (Rule 8.11)

To move adoption of an AMENDMENT:

Madam President, I move the adoption of the amendment. (Rules 7.1 and 7.2)

To CONCUR in House amendments:

Madam President, I move that the Senate concur in House Amendment No(s). ... to Senate Bill (Rule 7.8, majority vote to concur, but bill requires same final vote as originally)

To REFUSE TO CONCUR in House amendments:

Madam President, I move that the Senate refuse to concur in House Amendment No(s). ... to Senate Bill ... and request the House to recede. (Rule 7.8)

To RECEDE from Senate amendment:

Madam President, I move that the Senate recede from Senate Amendment No(s). ... to House Bill (Rule 7.9, majority vote to recede, but bill requires same final vote as originally)

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE:

Madam President, I move that a conference committee be appointed on the part of the Senate to confer with a like committee on the part of the House to consider the differences between the two houses. (Rules 7.8 and 7.9, majority vote)

To INDEFINITELY POSTPONE:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... (with pending amendments) be indefinitely postponed. (Rule 6.9, majority vote)

RECONSIDERATION (immediate):

Madam President, I move that the rules be waived and the Senate do now reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill ... passed (failed to pass). (Rules 6.4 and 6.8, 2/3 vote)

RECONSIDERATION:

Madam President, I move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill ... passed (failed to pass). (Rules 6.4 and 6.5, majority vote)

To CONVENE Senate at other than the regular time:

Madam President, I move that the rules be waived and when the Senate adjourns that it adjourn to reconvene at ... a.m. (p.m.) tomorrow (date). (Rule 4.1, 2/3 vote)

SUSPENSIONS:

Madam President, I move that the Senate finds the evidence supports the Executive Order of Suspension by the Governor, and that (name of person) be removed from the office of (name of office) pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Florida. (majority vote)

Madam President, I move that the Senate finds the evidence insufficient to support the Executive Order of Suspension by the Governor, and that (name of person) not be removed from the office of (name of office) from which he has been suspended and that he be reinstated therein pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Florida. (majority vote)

VETOED BILL:

General Bill:

Madam President, I move that Senate Bill ... of the 19... session be passed, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. (Article III, Section 8, Constitution, 2/3 vote)

Line Items of Appropriations Bill:

Madam President, I move that Item(s) ... (and ...) in Senate Bill ... be passed, the Governor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding.