

1 A RESOLUTION amending House Rules 41 and 49.

2 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*  
3 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

4 ➔Section 1. House Rule 41 is amended to read as follows:

5 **Rule 41. Rules Committee.** There shall be a Rules Committee composed of the  
6 Speaker of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Majority Floor Leader, the Majority  
7 Caucus Chair, the Majority Whip, the Minority Floor Leader, the Minority Caucus Chair,  
8 and the Minority Whip. All bills and resolutions having been reported out of the  
9 committee to which referred and having received their second reading shall be referred to  
10 the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee may refer any bill or resolution before it  
11 back to a standing committee, except for those House bills or resolutions having forty or  
12 more co-sponsors that have previously been reported out of a committee with the  
13 affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds majority of the House members of the  
14 committee to which it was assigned. If a bill which includes incarceration as a possible  
15 penalty has been received by the Rules Committee from a standing committee other than  
16 the Committee on Judiciary, the bill shall be referred to the Committee on Judiciary. No  
17 bill or resolution shall be referred back by the Rules Committee on more than one  
18 occasion. All meetings of the Rules Committee shall be open. No bill may be kept in the  
19 Rules Committee for longer than five legislative days. Within that time, each bill must be  
20 reported to the floor or referred back to a standing committee. In the event of a vacancy  
21 on the Rules Committee, the other remaining members of the majority or minority party's  
22 leadership serving on the Rules Committee may determine whether there is a vacancy on  
23 the Rules Committee and shall appoint a replacement for that member.

24 The Majority Floor Leader shall while the Rules Committee is in session call bills  
25 and resolutions for consideration by the Rules Committee. A bill or resolution may be  
26 placed for consideration in the first order of business at the next regular Rules Committee  
27 meeting by a majority of the membership voting for such consideration.

1 Each member shall be given an opportunity upon request to appear before the Rules  
2 Committee when a bill of which the member is a sponsor or co-sponsor is under  
3 consideration including the subsequent vote thereon. **The Rules Committee shall post**  
4 **any House bill or resolution in the Orders of the Day for final passage that has forty or**  
5 **more co-sponsors and that has been reported out of a committee with the affirmative**  
6 **vote of at least a two-thirds majority of the House members of the committee to which**  
7 **it was assigned.** No **other** measure shall be posted in the Orders of the Day for final  
8 passage except by order of the Rules Committee unless otherwise ordered posted for the  
9 next succeeding legislative day by a majority of the members voting. The Rules  
10 Committee shall arrange the Orders of the Day so that all measures shall appear thereon  
11 for the consideration of the House, but the Rules Committee may not place in the Orders  
12 of the Day any bill or other measure in the possession of a standing or special committee  
13 of the House. The Rules Committee, prior to each day's session, shall post a notice in a  
14 regular place in the House Chamber listing the bills to be considered that day in the  
15 Orders of the Day, **which shall include any House bill or resolution that has forty or**  
16 **more co-sponsors and that has been reported out of a committee with the affirmative**  
17 **vote of at least a two-thirds majority of the House members of the committee to which**  
18 **it was assigned.** Should the House not complete any day's Orders of the Day, the bills  
19 and resolutions remaining unconsidered shall go to the top of the Orders of the Day on  
20 the next day that Orders of the Day are considered.

21 The Speaker of the House shall be the Chair of the Rules Committee. The Majority  
22 Floor Leader of the House shall act for the Rules Committee in calling from the Orders of  
23 the Day any bills or resolutions in the order the Majority Floor Leader deems proper and  
24 shall be recognized by the Speaker for that purpose during all times that the Rules  
25 Committee is in charge of posting the Orders of the Day. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall  
26 act as chair in the absence of the Speaker.

27 ➔Section 2. House Rule 49 is amended to read as follows:

1           **Rule 49. Procedure in Committee.** The rules of procedure in the House shall be  
2 observed in committee insofar as the same are applicable. The committee chair, or the  
3 committee by majority vote in a regularly called meeting during a regular session of the  
4 General Assembly, shall post at least three calendar days prior to their consideration the  
5 bills and resolutions to be considered by the committee at its next meeting, including all  
6 House bills or resolutions assigned to the committee that have forty or more co-  
7 sponsors, provided that no bill or resolution shall be posted by the chair or the committee  
8 by a majority vote unless and until a request for posting form has been filed with the  
9 committee chair or secretary and approved by the committee chair as containing  
10 satisfactory information. No measure shall be considered except those posted, unless the  
11 measure is one which has been recommitted to the same committee from which it was  
12 previously reported with a favorable expression. During a regular session of the General  
13 Assembly, a list of the measures to be considered shall be filed with the Clerk at least  
14 three calendar days prior to the meeting. In the case of prefiled House bills receiving the  
15 affirmative votes of a majority of the House members of the interim joint committee to  
16 which they were assigned, posting by the chair or the committee shall occur during the  
17 first four days of the session, and those bills may be considered by the appropriate  
18 committee during the first fifteen legislative days of the session. No posting request shall  
19 be required for those prefiled bills. During an extraordinary session, the posting  
20 requirement in this rule shall be modified from at least three calendar days to at least one  
21 calendar day.