

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS21752

This Resolution amends House Rule 76 concerning the committee on ethics. The Resolution makes a number of amendments including the following:

1. A new procedure for constituting a standing ethics committee and committee alternates through a confidential nomination and election process;
2. More specific categories and definitions of ethical misconduct;
3. Revised procedure for filing a complaint, procedure for a confidential probable cause review, and public hearing process in the event probable cause is found;
4. Clarification of sanction options including reprimand, censure with or without conditions, and expulsion in specified circumstances.

FISCAL NOTE

No fiscal impact to the general fund.

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