SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2135

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

Notice is hereby given by the Senator from the 1st District of the one day notice required by rule of intent to put a motion to adopt the following rule change:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, that Senate Rule 28 be amended to read as follows:

"Rule 28. The duties of the standing committees of the senate are as follows:

- 1. The Committee on Administration shall superintend and have sole and complete control of all financial obligations and business affairs of the senate, the assignment of offices and seats, and the supervision of certain designated employees. The committee shall be authorized to employ an administrator, who shall be provided with office space as designated by the committee. The administrator or the secretary of the senate may be authorized to act for the committee, but only in the manner and to the extent as may have previously been authorized by the committee with such authorization entered in the minutes of the committee. No voucher calling for payment from the contingent fund of the senate shall be drawn, nor shall any valid obligation exist against the contingent fund until the same shall have been approved by the committee or its administrator and be recorded in the minutes thereof. All vouchers must be signed by the chairman of the committee or the administrator, if so authorized. The committee or its administrator shall provide for the receiving and receipt of all supplies, equipment and furnishings purchased for the account of the senate, and the distribution thereof. The administrator shall keep a detailed running account of all transactions and shall open his records for inspection to any senator who so requests. All employees other than elected officials of the senate and employees of the individual senators, shall be selected by the committee, who shall control their tenure, set their compensation, assign their duties and exercise complete supervision over them. When necessary, the committee shall assign office space and seats in the senate chamber.
- 2. The Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to animals, animal disease, pest control, agriculture, food production, the state park system, conservation of the state's natural resources, soil and water, wildlife and game refuges.

- 3. The Committee on Appropriations shall consider and report upon all bills and matters referred to it pertaining to general appropriations and disbursement of public money.
- 4. The Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to the development of state commerce, the commercial sector, consumer protection, telecommunications and cable issues, the development and conservation of energy resources and the disposal of solid, hazardous and nuclear wastes and other matters relating to environmental preservation.
- 5. The Committee on Economic Development shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to the promotion of economic development, creation and retention of jobs, tourism and the promotion of tourism as a state industry, and community and business development.
- 6. The Committee on Education shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to education in the state, including the public schools, libraries, programs and institutions of higher learning.
- 7. The Committee on Fiscal Oversight shall consider and report upon all bills, except regular appropriation bills, that require new appropriations or expenditures of appropriated funds in excess of \$100,000, or that reduce such funds by that amount during any of the first three years that public funds will be used to fully implement the provisions of the Act. Any such senate bill, after having been approved by the regular standing committee to which it has been assigned and after the same has been perfected and ordered printed by the senate, shall thereafter be referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight for its consideration prior to its submission to the senate for final passage thereof by the senate. Any such house bill after having been reported by the regular standing committee to which it was assigned shall be referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight for its consideration prior to it being considered by the senate for third reading and final passage. Any senate or house bill, amended so as to increase expenditures or reduce revenue in excess of \$100,000 during any of the first three years that public funds will be used to fully implement its provisions shall upon timely motion be referred or re-referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight. The Senator handling any such house bill that was re-referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight prior to third reading shall, prior to third reading, briefly describe the subject matter of the bill. The author or first named sponsor of a bill referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight shall be entitled to a hearing on his/her bill but such committee hearing shall be limited to the reception of testimony presented by the author or first-named sponsor in person and none other. The Committee on Fiscal Oversight may recommend the passage of a bill subject to the adoption of an amendment specifying a

certain effective date proposed by the committee, and if such an amendment is not adopted, the bill shall again be referred to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight.

- 8. The Committee on General Laws shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to general topics.
- 9. The Committee on Government Reform shall review, study, and investigate all matters referred to it relating to the application, administration, execution, and effectiveness of all state laws and programs, the organization and operation of state agencies and other entities having responsibility for the administration and execution of state laws and programs, and any conditions or circumstances that may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation to improve the efficiency of any state law or program. Any findings of the committee may be reported to the senate and the Committee on Appropriations. The committee shall also consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to improving governmental efficiency and management. The committee shall also consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to improving governmental efficiency and management.
- 10. The Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments shall consider and report upon gubernatorial appointments referred to it.
- 11. The Committee on Health and Pensions shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to health, MO HealthNet, alternative health care delivery system proposals, public health, disease control, hospital operations, mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse and addiction. The committee shall also consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning retirement and pensions and pension plans.
- 12. The Committee on Insurance and Banking shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to the ownership and operation of insurance and banking; and life, accident, indemnity and other forms of insurance. The committee shall also take into consideration and report on bills and matters referred to it relating to banks and banking, savings and loan associations, and other financial institutions in the state.
- 13. The Committee on the Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence shall consider and report upon bills and matters relating to the judicial department of the state including the practice of the courts of this state, civil procedure and criminal laws, criminal costs and all related matters. The Committee shall also consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to probation or parole of persons sentenced under the criminal laws of the state.
 - 14. The Committee on Local Government and Elections shall consider and report upon bills and

matters referred to it relating to the county government, township organizations, and political subdivisions. The committee shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to election law.

- 15. The Committee on Professional Registration shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to the reorganization, establishment, consolidation or abolition of departments, boards, bureaus and commissions of state government, the internal operation of any state agency and the effect of federal legislation upon any state agency.
- 16. The Committee on Progress and Development shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning the changing or maintenance of issues relating to human welfare.
- 17. The Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics shall consider and report on rules for the government of the senate and joint rules when requested by the senate, shall consider, examine and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to ethics and the conduct of public officials and employees, shall recommend to the Senate the rules by which investigations and disciplinary proceedings will be conducted, and shall examine and report upon all resolutions and other matters which may be appropriately referred to it. The committee shall see that bills and amendments are properly perfected and printed. The committee shall examine all Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed bills carefully, and report that the printed copies furnished the senators are correct. Upon the written request of the sponsor or floor handler of a bill, the committee may recommend that any such bill on the calendars for perfection or house bills on third reading be called up or considered out of order in which the bill appears on that calendar. A recommendation to consider bills out of order shall require approval by a majority of the committee with the concurrence of two-thirds of the senate members. No floor debate shall be allowed on the motion to adopt the committee report. The Committee shall examine bills placed on the Consent Calendar and may, by majority vote, remove any bill from the consent calendar within the time period prescribed by Rule 45, that it determines is too controversial to be treated as a consent bill.
- 18. The Committee on Seniors, Families and Children shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning the preservation of the quality of life for senior citizens, nursing home and boarding home operations, alternative care programs for the elderly, and family and children's issues. It shall also consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning income maintenance, social services, and child support enforcement.
- 19. The Committee on Small Business and Industry shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it relating to the ownership and operation of small businesses. The committee shall also take into consideration and report on bills relating to labor management, fair employment standards, workers'

compensation and employment security within the state and shall examine bills referred to it relating to industrial development.

- 20. The Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning roads, highways, bridges, airports and aviation, railroads, port authorities, and other means of transportation and matters relating to motor vehicles, motor vehicle registration and drivers' licenses and matters relating to the safety of the general public.
- 21. The Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs shall consider and report upon bills and matters concerning veterans' and military affairs.
- 22. The Committee on Ways and Means shall consider and report upon bills and matters referred to it concerning the revenue and public debt of the state, and interest thereon, the assessment of real and personal property, the classification of property for taxation purposes and gaming.".

