THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

No. 805 Session of 2014

INTRODUCED BY FONTANA, SMITH, FARNESE, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, KASUNIC AND SOLOBAY, MARCH 14, 2014

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, MARCH 14, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1	Amending Senate Rule XIV.
2	RESOLVED, That Senate Rule XIV(j) be amended and the rule be
3	amended by adding a subsection to read:
4	XIV COMMITTEES
5	* * *
6	(j) <u>Consideration of legislation</u>
7	(1) The prime sponsor of a bill or resolution may
8	request the chair of a standing committee hold a meeting on a
9	bill or resolution introduced and referred to the standing
10	committee. The chair shall hold a public meeting within ten
11	legislative days of receiving a request from the prime
12	sponsor of a bill or resolution. All meetings on bills or
13	resolutions shall be subject to the requirements of 65
14	Pa.C.S. Ch. 7. The chair of a standing committee shall
15	provide reasonable opportunity for public comment or
16	testimony at each meeting.
17	(2) Within ten legislative days of a meeting on a bill

1 or resolution held under paragraph (1), the chair of a
2 standing committee shall hold a meeting of the standing
3 committee to consider the bill or resolution.

4 <u>(k)</u> Discharging committees.--

5 (1) No standing committee shall be discharged from 6 consideration of any bill, resolution or other matter within 7 [ten] <u>20</u> legislative days of its reference to committee 8 without the unanimous consent of the Senate or after such 9 [ten-day] <u>20-day</u> period except by majority vote of all 10 members elected to the Senate.

11 (2) Such discharge shall be by resolution which shall 12 lie over one day for consideration upon introduction and 13 which may be considered under the Order of Business of 14 Resolutions on the Calendar.