

**2.9 Journals — bills and amendments.**

1. *a.* The senate and house of representatives shall each publish a daily journal of the transactions of their respective bodies. The secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house shall each determine the format and manner of the journal's publication, the procurement procedures for the journal's publication, and the journal's distribution for their respective bodies.

*b.* The secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives shall each preserve copies of the printed daily journals of their respective bodies, as corrected, certify to their correctness, and file them with the secretary of state at the adjournment of each session of the general assembly. The secretary of state shall preserve the original journals of the senate and the house in the manner specified by the majority leader of the senate and speaker of the house.

2. *a.* The senate and house of representatives shall each publish bills and amendments of their respective bodies. The secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house shall each determine the procurement procedures for the publication of the bills and amendments and the distribution of the bills and amendments for their respective bodies.

*b.* A bill that seeks to legalize the acts of any official or board or other official body, in regard to any matter of public nature or for any person or persons, company, or corporation, shall not be considered by the senate or house of representatives until the bill is published and distributed to members of the general assembly, and the publication shall be without expense to the state. The senate and house shall not order any such bill published until the secretary of the senate or chief clerk of the house has received a deposit to cover the cost of the publication. The newspaper publication of such bill shall be without expense to the state, and the bill shall not be published in a newspaper until the costs of the newspaper publication have been paid to the secretary of state.

[C97, §132; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §13; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §2.9]  
[86 Acts, ch 1245, §2001](#); [2003 Acts, ch 35, §9, 49](#); [2003 Acts, ch 145, §102](#)