

Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee Rules

2009-2010 Biennium

1. A quorum of the Joint Subcommittee is declared to be a majority of members of the House Subcommittee and a majority of members of the Senate Subcommittee. A meeting of the Joint Subcommittee may be called to order by the Chairperson of the Senate Subcommittee or the Chairperson of the House Subcommittee. During the Legislative Session, a quorum of the Joint Subcommittee is not necessary for a meeting to begin.
2. Final action by the Joint Subcommittee in adoption of rules and in making recommendations will require, by separate roll call vote, a majority vote of the members of the House Subcommittee and a majority vote of the Senate Subcommittee. Bills and amendments must be approved in final form by a majority vote of members of the House Subcommittee and a majority of members of the Senate Subcommittee before a bill or amendment is recommended to the full appropriations committees or any other committee. However, other action shall require only a simple majority of members present from each chamber.
3. No rule or rules of this Committee shall be suspended, altered or eliminated except by unanimous consent or by voice vote of a majority of Committee members of each chamber.
4. The Chairperson of the Senate Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee and the Chairperson of the House Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee will serve as Co-Chairpersons of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee and preside as agreed to by both.
5. The Co-Chairpersons may designate subcommittees of the Joint Subcommittee as necessary. The Ranking Member will appoint minority members to any subcommittee.
6. The secretary of the Senate Chairperson and the secretary of the House Chairperson shall serve cooperatively as co-secretaries of the Joint Subcommittee and cooperatively keep minutes and records of Joint Subcommittee action.
7. Subcommittee meeting agendas will be scheduled by the Subcommittee Chairpersons and prepared by the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency.
8. Budget recommendations approved by the Joint Subcommittee will be prepared in bill form as ordered by the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency.
9. Budget recommendations shall not be voted upon the same day the budget request is heard.
10. The Co-Chairpersons may grant public hearings at any time.
11. Any person possessing a wireless device, such as a telephone or pager, during Committee meetings must make certain the wireless device is not audible to any other person in the Committee meeting. All telephone conversations that are not related to Subcommittee business shall be conducted outside the committee room.
12. Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern in all cases not covered by these rules or by Joint Rules.