

By: Senator(s) Tollison

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 554

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO AMEND JOINT RULE NO. 40 TO LIMIT
2 THE INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL BILLS REQUIRING A MAJORITY VOTE FOR
3 PASSAGE TO REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS OCCURRING IN ODD-NUMBERED
4 YEARS.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
6 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
7 Joint Rule No. 40 is amended to read as follows:

8 40. **TIMETABLE FOR PROCESSING LEGISLATION**

9 90-day 2016 Regular
10 Session Session

11 9th day 30th day Deadline for making requests for
12 general bills and constitutional
13 amendments to be drafted.*** ****

14 14th day 35th day Deadline for introduction of general
15 bills and constitutional amendments.*
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17 29th day 50th day Deadline for committees to report
18 general bills and constitutional
19 amendments originating in own house.*+



20			<u>****</u>
21	38th day	59th day	Deadline for original floor action
22			on general bills and constitutional
23			amendments originating in own
24			house.* <u>****</u>
25	39th day	60th day	Deadline for reconsideration and
26			passage of general bills and
27			constitutional amendments originating
28			in own house.* <u>****</u>
29	42nd day	63rd day	Deadline to dispose of motions to
30			reconsider general bills and
31			constitutional amendments originating
32			in own house.* <u>****</u>
33	51st day	72nd day	Deadline for original floor action
34			on appropriation and revenue bills
35			originating in own house.
36	52nd day	73rd day	Deadline for reconsideration and
37			passage of appropriation and
38			revenue bills originating in own
39			house.
40	53rd day	74th day	Deadline to dispose of motions to
41			reconsider appropriation and
42			revenue bills originating in own
43			house.
44	57th day	78th day	Deadline for committees to report



45 general bills and constitutional
 46 amendments originating in other
 47 house.*+ ****
 48 65th day 86th day Deadline for original floor action
 49 on general bills and constitutional
 50 amendments originating in other
 51 house.* ****
 52 66th day 87th day Deadline for reconsideration and
 53 passage of general bills and
 54 constitutional amendments originating
 55 in other house.* ****
 56 67th day 88th day Deadline to dispose of motions to
 57 reconsider general bills and
 58 constitutional amendments originating
 59 in other house.* ****
 60 71st day 92nd day Deadline for original floor action
 61 on appropriation and revenue bills
 62 originating in other house.
 63 72nd day 93rd day Deadline for reconsideration and
 64 passage of appropriation and
 65 revenue bills originating in other
 66 house.
 67 73rd day 94th day Deadline to dispose of motions to
 68 reconsider appropriation and
 69 revenue bills originating in other



70			house.
71	74th day	95th day	Deadline to concur or not concur in
72			amendments from other house to
73			appropriation and revenue bills, and
74			for introduction of local and private
75			bills that are revenue bills.
76	77th day	98th day	Deadline to dispose of motions to
77			reconsider concurrence or
78			nonconcurrence in appropriation and
79			revenue bills.
80	80th day	101st day	Deadline to concur or not concur
81			in amendments from other house to
82			general bills and constitutional
83			amendments. <u>****</u>
84	81st day	102nd day	Deadline for introduction of
85			local and private bills that are
86			not revenue bills.
87	82nd day	103rd day	Deadline for conference reports on
88			appropriation and revenue bills to be
89			filed.**+
90	84th day	105th day	Deadline for final adoption of
91			conference reports on appropriation
92			and revenue bills and for conference
93			reports on general bills and
94			constitutional amendments to be



95 filed.***+ ****
96 85th day 106th day Deadline to dispose of motions to
97 reconsider conference reports on
98 appropriation and revenue bills.
99 86th day 107th day Deadline for first consideration
100 of conference reports on general
101 bills and constitutional amendments.

102 ****
103 87th day 108th day Deadline for filing conference
104 reports on general bills and
105 constitutional amendments that had
106 been recommitted for further
107 conference.+ ****

108 88th day 109th day Deadline for adoption of
109 conference reports on general bills
110 and constitutional amendments
111 after recommittal.****

112 89th day 110th day Deadline to dispose of motions to
113 reconsider conference reports on
114 general bills and constitutional
115 amendments.****

116 90th day 111th day Sine die.

117 *Appropriation, revenue, and local and private bills, and
118 bills to restore suffrage are excluded from these deadlines. For
119 purposes of the deadlines herein set forth, the term "revenue



bills" shall include only those bills whose primary purpose is to increase or decrease taxes or to authorize the issuance of bonds or the borrowing of money. Bills which are primarily for regulatory purposes which have revenue provisions included shall not be considered as revenue bills for deadline purposes. The deletion from a bill of the features which made it a revenue bill shall render the bill a general bill for deadline purposes.

**Conference reports on all bills must be filed with the Secretary/Clerk no later than the time of adjournment on the day prior to being called up and considered. Appropriation bills which actually appropriate money and are recommitted for further conference are excluded from the requirement that the subsequent conference report be filed and lay on table one (1) day before being considered; however, original action must be taken on all appropriation conference reports by 2:00 p.m. on the 84th/105th day and subsequent reports must be filed no later than 6:00 p.m.

***Requests for general bills and constitutional amendments to be drafted must be made no later than 8:00 p.m. on the 9th/30th day. The Rules Committee of the House or Senate, as the case may be, may authorize any member of its respective house to make requests, for one or more general bills or constitutional amendments to be drafted, after the expiration of the deadline for making such drafting requests but before the deadline for introduction of bills and constitutional amendments, upon a determination by the Rules Committee that such drafting requests



are in response to conditions of an emergency nature arising subsequent to the deadline for making requests for general bills and constitutional amendments to be drafted.

****The request for drafting and the introduction and consideration of general bills other than those considered revenue bills shall be limited to regular legislative sessions occurring in odd-numbered years, and a general bill other than a general bill considered a revenue bill may not be requested, introduced or considered during a regular legislative session occurring in an even-numbered year. For purposes of this paragraph, a general bill modifying, adding, deleting or repealing language or a repealer on language which provides for the levying of taxes, borrowing of money, issuing bonds, notes or other evidence of debt, providing for fees or imposing the issuance of a license, of whatever kind by the state or any political subdivision of the state, or the exemption of property from state taxes or taxes of any subdivision of the state, is considered a revenue bill, and no revenue bill, conference committee report on a revenue bill, or concurrence in amendments adopted by the other house may be passed or adopted by either the Senate or the House of Representatives except by a vote of at least three-fifths (3/5) of the members of the Senate and House, respectively, present and voting.



168 +Committee reports and conference reports that are subject to
169 being filed on these deadlines must be filed with the
170 Secretary/Clerk no later than 8:00 p.m.

171 Whenever the word "day" appears in this rule, it shall mean
172 calendar day.

173 The above schedule shall not be deviated from except by the
174 passage of a concurrent resolution adopted by a vote of two-thirds
175 (2/3) of the membership of the House and Senate present and
176 voting.

