Assembly Resolution No. 222

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AMENDING section 7 of Rule V of the Assembly rules, in relation to requiring the Assembly be convened upon the submission of a petition signed by seventy-six members of the Assembly

RESOLVED, That section 7 of Rule V of the Assembly rules is amended to read as follows:

§ 7. Adjournment. a. When a motion to adjourn is carried, the members and officers shall keep their seats and places until the Speaker declares the House adjourned.

b. No motion to adjourn sine die shall be in order until all bills transmitted to the Governor shall have been acted upon by him or her, and in the case of vetoed bills, until such bills have been returned to each House for at least three legislative calendar days.

c. (1) The clerk of the Assembly, upon the receipt of the written request of any member or members elected thereto that the Assembly be convened and stating the subject matter sought to be acted upon, shall, within seven calendar days, cause a petition to be served personally on, or sent by registered mail, return receipt requested, to each member of the Assembly at his or her voting address or such other address as he or she shall have designated therefor in writing.

(2) (a) Upon timely return to the Speaker of a petition containing the signatures of seventy-six members of the Assembly, the body as a whole shall be called back to session for consideration of the subject matter detailed in the petition.

(b) No signature of any member upon any petition shall be effective unless received by the Speaker, at the Capitol, within twenty-one days of the date of service of mailing of such petition on or to such member.

(3) No written request seeking to convene the Assembly shall be considered until at least fourteen days after the last scheduled session day has passed, as determined by the legislative calendar. However, if session does occur after the final scheduled calendar day, the fourteen day period shall be measured from any such later date.