

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

Senator STEPHEN M. SWEENEY

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

SYNOPSIS

Organizes the Senate for the Two Hundred and Nineteenth Legislature and amends Senate Rule 12:1.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** organizing the Senate for the Two Hundred
2 and Nineteenth Legislature and amending Senate Rule 12:1.

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4 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

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6 1. That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the
7 General Assembly that the Senate has organized and elected the
8 Honorable Stephen M. Sweeney of Gloucester County as Senate
9 President. The Secretary is further directed to inform the General
10 Assembly that the Senate has elected the Honorable M. Teresa Ruiz
11 of Essex County, as President Pro Tempore, and Linda Metzger of
12 Gloucester County as Secretary for the Two Hundred and Nineteenth
13 Legislature, and has proceeded to business.

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15 2. That the appointment of officers and employees of the Senate
16 by the President, and the payroll of such officers and employees of
17 the Senate, be adopted and the Secretary be authorized to authenticate
18 the same as approval officer.

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20 3. That all statements of expenses of the Senate or of the
21 Legislature on account of the Senate be referred for approval and
22 forwarded for payment from the State Treasury as heretofore.

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24 4. That the approval officer of the Senate be authorized to procure
25 the necessary stationery and supplies for the use of members of the
26 Senate.

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28 5. That unless otherwise ordered, the regular hours of meetings
29 of the Senate and committees thereof will be on days and at times
30 announced to the members, the news media and the public by the
31 President.

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33 6. That for the Two Hundred and Nineteenth Legislature there
34 be employed for each Senator, legislative aides, to be designated by
35 him or her at an aggregate salary as may be provided by law, payable
36 in the same manner as all other Senate employees for the legislative
37 year.

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39 7. That the 2020 and 2021 Legislative Manuals be distributed to
40 the Senate as directed by the President.

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42 8. That the Rules of the Senate for the Two Hundred and
43 Eighteenth Legislature be adopted as the Rules of the Senate for the
44 Two Hundred and Nineteenth Legislature with the following
45 changes:

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 • Rule 12:1 is amended to read as follows:

2 **12:1. Committees and Membership.**

3 The following Standing Reference, Administrative and Joint
4 Committees shall be appointed by the President. The number of
5 Senators on each committee is indicated by the number following the
6 name of the committee. The Majority and Minority Leaders are ex-
7 officio members, without vote, on all standing reference committees.

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9 SENATE STANDING REFERENCE COMMITTEES.

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11 1. Budget and Appropriations Committee – 13
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13 2. Commerce Committee - 5
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15 3. Community and Urban Affairs Committee - 5
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17 4. Economic Growth Committee - 5
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19 5. Education Committee - 6
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21 6. Environment and Energy Committee – 5
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23 7. Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee –
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26 8. Higher Education Committee - 5
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28 9. Judiciary Committee - 11
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30 10. Labor Committee - 5
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32 11. Law and Public Safety Committee - 6
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34 12. Military and Veterans’ Affairs Committee – 5
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36 13. State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic
37 Preservation Committee – 5
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39 14. Transportation Committee – 7

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41 SENATE STANDING ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES.

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43 1. Intergovernmental Relations Committee – 5
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45 2. Legislative Oversight Committee – 6
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47 3. Rules and Order Committee – 5

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1 SENATE JOINT COMMITTEES.

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3 1. Budget Oversight Committee – 3

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5 2. Housing Affordability Committee – 5

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7 3. Public Schools Committee – 7

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9 4. State Library Committee - 4

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11 9. That the Bill Drafting Manual, prepared and revised from time
12 to time by the Office of Legislative Services, be adopted as the
13 official manual of practice and procedure of the Senate governing the
14 form of bills to be introduced in the Senate and governing the conduct
15 of the preliminary examination of bills proposed for introduction in
16 the Senate required by the Rules of the Senate.

17 That in order to carry out the aforementioned practice and
18 procedure, the Legislative Counsel, and such assistants and deputies
19 as he shall assign, be designated as counsel to conduct said
20 preliminary examination of bills proposed for introduction and
21 amendments adopted in the Senate under the general supervision of
22 the Legislative Counsel.

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24 10. That his Excellency the Governor be informed that the Senate
25 has organized for the Two Hundred and Nineteenth Legislature by
26 the election of the Honorable Stephen M. Sweeney of Gloucester
27 County, as President, the Honorable M. Teresa Ruiz of Essex County,
28 as President Pro Tempore, and Linda Metzger, of Gloucester County
29 as Secretary, and is now ready to proceed to business and to receive
30 any communications he may forward.

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32 11. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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37 This resolution concerns the organization of the Senate for the Two
38 Hundred and Nineteenth Legislature and amends Senate Rule 12:1 to
39 update the Senate standing reference committees.