

HCR 204 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 3/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure establishes the deadlines for pre-session-filed legislative measures for the 2027 regular session of the Eighty-fourth Legislative Assembly and identifies exempt entities.

Detailed Summary

Sets the following deadlines:

- Members and committees must submit drafting requests to Legislative Counsel no later than 5 p.m. on September 11, 2026
- Legislative Counsel must deliver drafts to requesters no later than 5 p.m. on December 1, 2026; and
- Requesters shall submit drafts to be pre-session filed to the Senate or House desk no later than 5 p.m. on December 11, 2026

It exempts the President of the Senate, the House Interim Committee on Rules, and the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means from the deadlines.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Following the passage of Measure 71 in 2010, the Legislative Assembly now meets annually; a long-session in odd-numbered years and a short-session in even-numbered years. As a result of the change to annual sessions, the chambers initiated the practice in 2011, of introducing a concurrent resolution, in conjunction with the sine die resolution, to establish the legislative measure limitations and timelines for the following long or short session.