

Legislation Text

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, That Rule 39 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2015 - 2019 term is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

RULE 39. Except in cases of emergency, not less than three (3) days, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, shall intervene between the issuance of a call for a committee meeting and the date set in the call for that meeting, and each member shall attend promptly at the hour stated in the notice.

The Chairman of a committee shall have the authority to call meetings of such committee.

If a majority of the members of any standing committee make written request to the Chairman of such committee to call a meeting of the committee, and if such Chairman fails to act on such request for a period of three (3) days, the said majority members shall have authority to call a meeting of such committee by filing a written notice or call to that effect with the City Clerk. A copy of the request made by said Aldermen to the Chairman of the committee shall be attached to such written notice or call.

One half {¥2.) of the total number of members of each standing committee (excepting from such total the President Pro Tempore) shall constitute a quorum; a majority of the members appointed to each special committee and subcommittee which may be created shall constitute a quorum of such special committee or subcommittee. However, a quorum of the Committee on Finance and the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations shall be fifteen (15) members. A quorum of a joint committee shall be one half {yi}) of the sum of the total number of the members of the committees which make up the joint committee, but only counting once, for purposes of determining both membership and quorum, a person who is a member of more than one committee.

At the start of each committee meeting, the Presiding Officer shall call the roll to determine whether a quorum is present. Whenever any committee shall find itself unable to proceed with the business before it at any meeting because of the lack of a quorum, the remaining members of the committee shall be competent to adjourn or recess to a date certain.