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Committee on Committees and Rules

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO,

SECTION 1. Rule 41 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2019 - 2023 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

Referring Of New Business To Committees; Report To Council When Committee Fails To Act.

RULE 41. All ordinances, orders, petitions, resolutions, motions, communications or other propositions shall be referred, without debate, to the appropriate committees and only acted upon by the City Council at a subsequent meeting, on the report of the committee having the same in charge; provided, however, that the following shall not be subject to this rule:

- a) Ordinances fixing the time for the next regular meeting of the City Council.
- b) Motions listed in Rule 21 and purely procedural motions.
- c) Resolutions determining the membership, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of Council committees, Vice Mayor or President Pro Tempore.

(Omitted text unaffected by this resolution)

Nothing in this Rule 41 or the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council shall preclude the introduction or submission of ordinances, orders, or resolutions, petitions, or other propositions into a committee of the City Council by an operating department, office, or agency in order to facilitate an expeditious hearing on said matter of where an emergency exists, provided that, for any such direct introduction, the department, office, or agency must: (i) attach to such ordinance, order, resolution, petition, or other proposition a statement of urgency explaining the nature of the emergency in detail; (ii) publicly post the text of such ordinance, order, resolution, petition, or other proposition no less than 48 hours before any committee may vote on such matter; and (iii) no later than the required public posting, transmit such ordinance, order, resolution, petition, or other proposition to all members of City Council along with an impartial and unbiased summary of the matter. No ordinance, order, or resolution, petition, or other proposition may be directly introduced into a committee of the City Council when a substantially similar matter is currently pending before any other committee of the City Council. In addition, routine or repetitive matters may also be introduced directly into a committee of the City Council for hearing. This provision shall not apply to matters described in paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) of this Rule.

Any member of a committee may propose an amendment to an ordinance or other proposition before the committee. An amendment filling in blanks, correcting spelling, correcting a typographical error or correcting punctuation may be made on the face of the ordinance or other proposition to be amended. An amendment for any other purpose shall be produced in a separate document, and shall set forth the entire section of the

ordinance or proposition affected by the proposed amendment, with insertions and deletions indicated as provided in Rule 46. Except as otherwise provided herein, no committee shall vote on a proposed amendment, except an

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amendment on the face of an ordinance or other proposition as permitted by this paragraph of this Rule 41, ~~until and~~ unless a formal amendment complying with the requirements of this paragraph has been prepared and a copy presented to every committee member present no less than 48 hours before the committee may vote on such matter. An exception shall be made for the form of amendments to line items within the annual appropriation ordinance or Community Development Block Grant ordinance; an amendment to either of those ordinances need list only the fund(s), department(s), and activity level(s) affected by the amendment, and shall also list the item(s) to be struck and the item(s) to be inserted or added.

(Omitted text unaffected by this resolution)

SECTION 2. This resolution shall take effect upon passage.