

# Florida House of Representatives

Rules Committee

Paul Renner
Speaker
Chair

December 12, 2023

The Honorable Paul Renner Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Rules Committee herewith submits the Special Order for Tuesday, January 9, 2024. Consideration of the House bills on Special Orders shall include the Senate Companion measures on the House Calendar.

## A. BILLS ON SPECIAL ORDER:

I. Consideration of the following bills:

HCR 703 - Sirois Balanced Federal Budget

HCR 693 - Borrero Congressional Term Limits

### **B. PROCEDURES:**

Time allocations apply to all bills listed in Section A and any bill substituted for or taken up in lieu of a listed bill. Amendment sponsors shall have 2 minutes to open and 2 minutes to close, except as outlined below.

Except for the bills listed in Section C, the House shall spend no more than the following times:

- For each bill:
  - Ouestions and answers 10 minutes
  - O Debate 5 minutes
- For each amendment:
  - Questions and answers 5 minutes
  - O Debate 5 minutes

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For all bills, along with their associated amendments, the time for questions and answers includes both the question and the answer and shall be no more than the times listed. Neither the question nor the answer shall be protracted in an attempt to use up the time.

Once more than 10 non-bill sponsor amendments are filed, the allocation of time spent on each non-bill sponsor amendment shall be determined as follows:

- o 90 minutes divided by the total number of non-sponsor amendments filed.
- The time allocated for each non-bill sponsor amendment shall be divided equally between the open, questions, debate, and close.
- Amendments withdrawn prior to consideration of the bill do not count toward the total.

For the bills listed in Section C, time spent on debate shall be allocated as specified, with the time equally divided. In addition to the allotted time, the sponsor will explain and close the bill, closing not to exceed 10 minutes. After opening, the debate managers (or their designee) shall be alternately recognized until their time runs out. Time not utilized is lost.

• Debate managers may speak in debate and yield time to other Members to debate; no Member may be recognized for debate unless a debate manager yields time to that Member. Recognitions of debate managers must go through the Speaker. A Member may not be recognized more than once in debate on the bill or amendment.

### C. TIME ALLOCATIONS FOR SPECIFIED BILLS:

Bill	Time in Questions and Answers	Time in Debate
HCR 703	Bill:	Bill:
Balanced Federal Budget	20 minutes	40 minutes total; 20 minutes per side in 10 minute blocks
	<b>Amendments:</b>	
	5 minutes each	
HCR 693	Bill:	Bill:
Congressional Term Limits	20 minutes	40 minutes total; 20 minutes per side in 10 minute blocks
	Amendments:	
	5 minutes each	

A quorum was present in person, and a majority of those present agreed to the above Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Perez, Chair Rules Committee