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# **Rules & Calendar Council**

**Monday, March 24, 2008  
5:45 PM – 6:15 PM  
404H**

**ACTION PACKET**

# COUNCIL MEETING REPORT

## Rules & Calendar Council

3/24/2008 5:45:00PM

Location: 404 HOB

### Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
David Rivera (Chair)	X		
Frank Attkisson	X		
Aaron Bean			X
Ellyn Setnor Bogdanoff	X		
Marsha Bowen			X
Dean Cannon	X		
Joyce Cusack	X		
Bill Galvano	X		
Dan Gelber			X
Joseph Gibbons	X		
Audrey Gibson			X
Adam Hasner	X		
Evan Jenne	X		
Dick Kravitz	X		
Stan Mayfield			X
Joe Pickens	X		
Ron Reagan	X		
Ray Sansom	X		
John Seiler	X		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

Committee meeting was reported out: Monday, March 24, 2008 6:19:57PM

# **COUNCIL MEETING REPORT**

## **Rules & Calendar Council**

**3/24/2008 5:45:00PM**

**Location:** 404 HOB

### **Other Business Appearance:**

Meeting packets and Amendments  
Brian Pitts - Information Only  
Justice-2-Jesus  
1119 Newton Ave., South  
St. Petersburg FL 33705  
Phone: 727-897-9291

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# **COUNCIL MEETING REPORT**

## **Rules & Calendar Council**

**3/24/2008 5:45:00PM**

**Location:** 404 HOB

**Summary:** No Bills Considered

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**PROPOSED SPECIAL ORDER LETTER  
TO BE ADOPTED BY THE  
RULES & CALENDAR COUNCIL  
Monday, March 24, 2008**

Your Rules & Calendar Council herewith submits the **Special Order for Wednesday, March 26, 2008**. Consideration of the House bills on Special Orders shall include the Senate Companion measures on the House Calendar.

**I. Consideration of the following bills:**

CS/HB 503 - Environment & Natural Resources Council, Evers, & others  
Preservation & Protection of the Right to Keep & Bear Arms in Motor Vehicles Act of  
2008

**II. Consideration of the following bills:**

CS/HB 743 - Jobs & Entrepreneurship Council, Lopez-Cantera, & others  
Mortgage Fraud

CS/HB 643 - Jobs & Entrepreneurship Council, Ford, & others  
Foreclosure Fraud

CS/CS/HB 343 - Policy & Budget Council, Jobs & Entrepreneurship Council, & others  
Financial Services

**III. Consideration of the following bills:**

CS/HB 1025 - Safety & Security Council, Bogdanoff, & others  
Compensation for Wrongful Incarceration

HB 7037 - Policy & Budget Council, Sansom  
Relief of Alan Jerome Crotzer

*Adopted*

**PROPOSED  
PROCEDURE FOR COUNCIL AND FLOOR ACTION ON THE  
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL  
TO BE ADOPTED BY THE  
RULES & CALENDAR COUNCIL  
Monday, March 24, 2008**

**DRAFT**

March 24, 2008

The Honorable Marco Rubio  
Speaker, Florida House of Representatives  
420 The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

Dear Mr. Speaker,

The following report is submitted for the purpose of establishing the procedure for council and floor action on the general appropriations bill (including both appropriations and proviso), and any implementing bill and conforming legislation.

On Sunday, March 30, 2008, the Policy & Budget Council will provide to the Members and to the public the proposed appropriations bill, proposed implementing bill, and proposed conforming legislation to be considered at its meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2008.

*AMENDMENTS IN COUNCIL:*

Any amendments to the appropriations bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation must be filed no later than 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2008, in the manner described below. Packages of these filed amendments for the proposed committee bills will be available from the Policy & Budget Council as early as possible on Wednesday morning, April 2, 2008.

All amendments to amendments and substitute amendments for the appropriations bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation must be filed no later than 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, in the manner described below.

**Amendments for the Council meeting must be filed with the Policy & Budget Council, Room 418, The Capitol. Member requests for Policy & Budget Council staff to draft amendments will be treated as timely filed if received before the relevant deadline.**

By 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, the Policy & Budget Council will file notice of all bills to be considered at its meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2008. The Policy & Budget Council will meet at the noticed time on Thursday, April 3, 2008, and will consider all timely filed amendments.

The Policy & Budget Council will file and publish the General Appropriations Bill, the implementing bill, and conforming legislation as amended on or before Friday, April 4, 2008.

*FLOOR AMENDMENTS:*

All floor amendments to be considered on second reading of the General Appropriations Bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation must be filed in the manner described below.

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**Main amendments to the appropriations bill, the implementing bill and conforming legislation must be filed by 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2008. Floor amendments to the appropriations bill, including proviso amendments, will be filed with the Policy & Budget Council, Room 418, The Capitol. Member requests for Policy and Budget Council staff to draft amendments will be deemed as timely filed if received before the relevant deadline. To be introduced in proper form, all main floor amendments to the appropriations bill should be requested by Members by filing a General Appropriations Amendment Input Form.**

**Floor amendments to the implementing bill and conforming legislation will be filed by Members with the House Bill Drafting office through their LEAGIS member dashboard. Amendments filed through the LEAGIS member desktop must be "approved for filing" by 1:00 p.m., Monday April 7, 2008.**

Packages of amendments for the General Appropriations Bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation will be available from the Policy & Budget Council as early as possible on Tuesday morning, April 8, 2008.

Amendments to main amendments or substitute amendments for main floor amendments, must be requested in the same manner as main amendments by 12:00 noon, Tuesday, April 8, 2008.

Amendment deadlines for both Council and floor amendments apply to all Members, including Members of the Policy & Budget Council.

Amendments filed with the Policy & Budget Council will be accepted only from the House Member who wishes to file the amendment or an employee of the House. With the exception of amendments offered by the Policy & Budget Council Chair and other Council Chairs, any such amendment request must be accompanied by the written authorization of the sponsoring Member on the Member's letterhead.

Amendments offered to a General Appropriations Bill must be balanced with increases offset by equivalent or greater decreases within the same appropriation allocation and suballocation, as determined by the Speaker (Rule 12.5). Requests to draft amendments must include the item to be funded *and* the item from which funding is to be reduced.

Attached is the form for the Members to use for requesting appropriations act amendments.

Sincerely,

David Rivera, Chair  
Rules & Calendar Council

Time Schedule

2008 Procedure for Committee and Floor Action on the  
General Appropriations Bill and Related Implementing and Conforming Bills

Sunday, March 30, 2008	Policy & Budget Council will publish PCB's for the General Appropriations bill and related implementing and conforming bills
Tuesday, April 1, 2008, by 8:00 a.m.	All amendments to General Appropriations bill and related implementing and conforming bills must be filed
Wednesday, April 2, 2008	Packages of amendments will be available as early as possible
Wednesday, April 2, 2008 by 2:00 p.m.	All amendments to the amendments and substitute amendments must be filed
Thursday, April 3, 2008	Policy & Budget Council meeting
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Friday, April 4, 2008	General Appropriations bill, implementing bills, and conforming bills, as amended by the Policy & Budget Council, will be published
Monday, April 7, 2008 by 1:00 p.m.	All requests for floor amendments must be filed
Tuesday, April 8, 2008	Packages of main floor amendments will be available as early as possible
Tuesday, April 8, 2008 by 12:00 noon	All requests for amendments to floor amendments and substitute amendments to floor amendments must be filed
Wednesday, April 9, 2008	Second reading expected
Thursday, April 10, 2008	Expect final passage of bills read a second time on April 8, 2008

*April 9, 2008*