

RULES

HOUSE OF DELEGATES SOUTH CAROLINA PHARMACY ASSOCIATION

Rule I Consideration of Standing Committee Reports

1. The House shall review and consider the recommendation of each Association Standing Committee. If the Committee does not recommend action on any specific section of the report, the Speaker shall move for the adoption of the section. The recommendation on each section of the Standing Committee report may be adopted by majority vote.
2. If the House does not adopt the recommendation of a Standing Committee on any section of a report, subsequent motions with regard to that section will be in order as follows:
 - (1) If the recommendation of the Standing Committee was to adopt the section, the House will entertain a motion to refer the section back to the Standing Committee;
 - (2) If the recommendation of the Standing Committee was to reject the section, the House will entertain a motion to adopt the section or to refer it back to the Standing Committee;
 - (3) If the recommendation of the Standing Committee was to refer the section back to the Committee, the House will entertain a motion to adopt or reject the section.

Rule II Consideration of Policy/Resolutions

3. The Speaker will appoint a Policy Committee to meet immediately after the November and February House meetings to 1) review all Standing Committee reports to identify items of policy for the Association, and to draft policy language accordingly; 2) consider policy language submitted by the active membership. The Committee shall further review items of new business and present final policy language for consideration at the House of Delegates meeting.
4. The Speaker will appoint a Reference Committee to meet at the annual meeting prior to the House of Delegates meeting for the purpose of holding a hearing on proposed policy items. The members of the Reference Committee will be chosen from among the membership of the House of Delegates.
5. Proposed policy language submitted by the active membership for consideration by the Policy Committee must be presented in writing to the Speaker at least ninety (90) days prior to the annual meeting and be signed by at least two active members of SCPhA. The members of the Policy Committee will be chosen from among the membership of the House of Delegates.
6. Draft policy language, reviewed and/or developed by the Policy Committee, shall be submitted to the SCPhA Board of Directors at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting. Each proposed policy shall be submitted to the Board with one of the following recommendations:
 - a. recommend adoption
 - b. do not recommend adoption, or
 - c. recommend referral for further study
7. The Board of Directors shall consider the recommendation of the Policy Committee in accepting, accepting with modifications, or rejecting the proposed resolution.

- a. Proposed resolutions accepted without modification shall be submitted to the Reference Committee.
- b. Proposed resolutions accepted with modification by the Board of Directors shall be returned to the sponsor at least fortyfive (45) days prior to the annual meeting. The sponsor shall have fourteen (14) days to accept or reject the modification. Upon the sponsor's acceptance of the modified resolution, the proposed resolution as modified, shall be submitted to the Reference Committee. Upon the sponsor's failure to respond, the proposed resolution as modified, may be submitted to the Reference Committee at the Board of Directors discretion. Upon the sponsor's rejection of the proposed resolution as modified, neither the sponsors original resolution nor the modified resolution shall be submitted to the Reference Committee. Notwithstanding such rejection the proposed resolution may be introduced as New Business.
- c. Proposed resolutions rejected by the Board of Directors shall be returned to the sponsor at least fortyfive (45) days prior to the annual meeting and shall state the reasons for such rejection. Notwithstanding such rejection the sponsor may introduce the resolution as New Business.
- d. Policy items for consideration at the annual meeting, other than in the form of new business, will be distributed to the Association membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. Posting on the Association's Website shall be considered sufficient to meet the distributioin requirement.

Rule III New Business

Any matter to be presented as new business shall be presented by a member of the House of Delegates, to the Executive Vice President in writing not less than thirty (30) days prior to the start of the annual meeting. If any subject matter will include the offering of a motion, the writing required by this rule shall explicitly state the motion to be offered. All motions will be reviewed by the Policy Committee prior to the annual meeting. Furthermore, all motions will be reviewed by the the Reference Committee at the annual meeting, and discussed in the open hearing prior to consideration by the House of Delegates.

Rule IV Suspension of Rules

Suspension of the rules of the House shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the total number of delegates present and voting.