

The Legislature of Rockland County



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Legislator, District 3

Chair, Rules Committee

AGENDA
RULES COMMITTEE
Tuesday, December 8, 2015
6:55 PM

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: November 24, 2015

A. REFERRAL NO. 4065:

- 1. AMENDING RULE 149-23 (B) OF THE RULES OF THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING LITIGATION IN THE NAME OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY LEGISLATURE (HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)**
(DEFERRED FROM RULES MEETING OF NOVEMBER 24TH)

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Introduced by:
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

Referral No.
, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. OF 2015
AMENDING RULE 149-23(B) OF THE RULES OF THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING
LITIGATION IN THE NAME OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, §149-23(B) of the Rules of the Legislature currently reads as follows:

§ 149-23. Special committees and joint task forces.

B. The Special Committee on Rules shall consist of six members of the Legislature, membership being limited to the Vice Chairperson of the Legislature, who shall act as Chairperson of this Committee, the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, the Deputy Minority Leader, the Deputy Majority Leader and the Chairperson of the Legislature. Except as to matters specifically assigned to a standing committee or any other special committee, this Committee shall have referred to it all matters relating to or arising out of the requirements of law and the action of the Legislature with respect to the Rules of the Legislature and revision, amendment, repeal or other modification to the Rockland County Charter Law and such other matters as are deemed appropriate by the Clerk to the Legislature;

and

WHEREAS, there may be circumstance where the Legislature may wish to commence litigation in the name of the Rockland County Legislature and not the County of Rockland; and

WHEREAS, if the Legislature wishes to commence litigation solely in the name of the Rockland County Legislature and not the County of Rockland, it is appropriate that the decision be made by the leadership of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that the Rules committee consists of both the majority and minority leadership and is the appropriate body to make the decision to initiate litigation solely in the name of the Rockland County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has met, considered and by a vote, approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Section 149-23(B) of the Rules of the Legislature shall read as follows:

B. Special Committee on Rules

1. The Special Committee on Rules shall consist of six members of the Legislature, membership being limited to the Vice Chairperson of the Legislature, who shall act as Chairperson of this Committee, the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, the Deputy Minority Leader, the Deputy Majority Leader and the Chairperson of the Legislature. Except as to matters specifically assigned to a standing committee or any other special committee, this Committee shall have referred to it all matters relating to or arising out of the requirements of law and the action of the Legislature with respect to the Rules of the Legislature and revision, amendment, repeal or other modification to the Rockland County Charter Law and such other matters as are deemed appropriate by the Clerk to the Legislature.

2. The Special Committee on Rules, as part of the matters assigned to it, is specifically authorized by majority vote to initiate litigation solely in the name of the Rockland County Legislature when there is a controversy arising out of an interpretation or application of the Rockland County Charter or the Laws of Rockland County.

Material to be deleted [bracketed] and struck through
Material to be added **bold and underlined**

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