

General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2022 Archives' Research Report

Resolution No.: 2022-A106
Title: Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 to Reduce the Number of Nominees Required to Be Presented by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations
Proposer: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations
Topic: Rules of Order (Jt.), Structure

Directly Related: (Attached)

None

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

None

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2018, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#) or call 800-525-9329.

A106 - Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 to reduce the number of nominees required to be presented by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Requests New Interim Body: No

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

HiA: HD

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: 01 - Joint Rules of Order

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring,

That the 80th General Convention amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 as follows:

20. Except for the Secretary of the General Convention and the Treasurer of the General Convention, the said Committee is instructed to nominate a number, equal to at least ~~twice~~ *one and a half times* the number of vacancies, which shall be broadly representative of the constituency of this Church; to prepare biographical sketches of all nominees; and to include such nominations and sketches in the *Blue Book*, or otherwise to circulate them among Bishops and Deputies well in advance of the meeting of the next succeeding General Convention; this procedure, however, not to preclude further nominations from the floor in the appropriate House of the General Convention.

Explanation

It is the experience of the current joint standing committee that coming up with approximately 162 nominees to fill 81 positions is difficult. Reducing the number of required nominees to one and a half times the open positions still presents a choice to the Convention.

The current rules in place do not allow for sufficient meaningful discernment among the candidates.