

General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2024 Archives' Research Report

Resolution No.: 2024-A069
Title: Amend Joint Rules of Order V.4.c to Fix a Rounding Error in the Number of Nominees the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations is Required to Nominate
Proposer: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations
Topic: Appointments/Elections, Rules of Order: Joint

Directly Related: (Attached)

2022-A106 Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 [Joint Standing Committee on Nominations]

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 2022, 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](#).

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Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Joint Standing Committee on Nominations

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: Yes

Requests New Interim Body: No

Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib: No

Directs Dfms Staff: No

Directs Dioceses: No

Directs Executive Council: No

HiA: No House Assigned

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: No Committee Assigned

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring,

That the 81st General Convention amend Joint Rules of Order V.4.c as follows:

<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (***) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

Joint Rule V.4.c

c. For all other elections other than those described in parts a. and b. of this Joint Rule, for which the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will present nominees, it will nominate a minimum number of nominees equal to one and one-half times the number of vacancies, rounding up to the nearest whole number as needed.

<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>

Joint Rule V.4.c

c. For all other elections other than those described in parts a. and b. of this Joint Rule, for which the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will present nominees, it will nominate a minimum number of nominees equal to one and one-half times the number of vacancies, *rounding up to the nearest whole number as needed.*

Explanation

In 2022, the 80th General Convention passed Resolution A106 which lowered the number of nominees per vacancy required to be nominated by the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations. In the course of our work this triennium, the Standing Committee realized that for positions with an odd number of vacancies, nominating nominees equal to one and one-half times the number of vacancies would require nominating fractions of a person, and the Committee deemed it un-Christian to follow procedures requiring chopping people into fractions. This resolution clarifies the Joint Rules of Order and offers the Committee a procedure for nominating nominees in a non-violent manner.



Resolution Number: 2022-A106
Title: Amend Joint Rules of Order VII.20 [Joint Standing Committee on Nominations]
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Substituted
Final Text:

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

- a. For the elections of the Secretary of the General Convention, the Treasurer of the General Convention, and the members of the Court of Review, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a minimum of one nominee for each vacancy.*
- b. For the election of the members of Executive Council and the Trustees of The Church Pension Fund, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will nominate a minimum of two persons for each vacancy.*
- c. For all other elections other than those described in parts (a) and (b) of this Joint Rule, for which the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations will present nominees, it will nominate a minimum number of nominees equal to one and one-half times the number of vacancies.*
- d. In all elections for which it will present nominees, the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations is charged with: (i) ensuring that the nominees for each position, and as a group, as nearly as possible, represent the diverse constituencies of The Episcopal Church; (ii) obtaining biographical sketches with a facial image of all nominees, and (iii) reporting such nominations and sketches in the Reports to the next General Convention, otherwise known as the Blue Book.*
- e. This Joint Rule does not preclude further nominations from the floor made pursuant to separate rules adopted by either House of the General Convention.*

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church*, Baltimore, 2022 (New York: General Convention, 2023), pp. 833-834.