

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2018
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO.: 2018-A059
TITLE: Amend HOD Rules of Order III - Additional Duties of Deputies
PROPOSER: House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church
TOPIC: Rules of Order

Directly Related: (Attached)

2015-A152 Adopt New Rules of Order for the House of Deputies

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 1976 through 2015, 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 at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.

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RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Deputies hereby amends the Rules of Order to add III.C.1-4:
- 2 *(C) Duties of Deputies*
- 3 *1. Deputies shall be required to report to their Diocese within sixty (60) days after General Convention the legislation passed which is of interest to congregations in their Diocese. Deputies shall prepare a report, in an understandable format, outlining passed legislation and other topics of importance to the Diocese and shall disseminate this report to all congregations within the Diocese.*
- 4 *2. Deputies shall put forth at their Diocesan Convention all General Convention legislation that should be adopted at the Diocesan level, and report to the Office of General Convention on the status of such legislation.*
- 5 *3. Deputies shall continue to be a resource to their Diocese for information on legislation passed at General Convention until such time as a new deputation is elected.*
- 6 *4. Deputies shall serve as a conduit to their Dioceses of any items of importance disseminated by the President of the House of Deputies until such time as their successors are elected.*
- 7 And be it further
- 8 *Resolved*, That pursuant to Canon I.1.2, this will remain in force until amended or repealed by the House.

EXPLANATION

No explanation.



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Title: Adopt New Rules of Order for the House of Deputies
Legislative Action Taken: Adopted as Amended
Final Text:

[Resolved, that pursuant to Canon I.1.2, the House of Deputies hereby repeals its existing Rules of Order and adopts the attached Rules of Order:]

III. Deputations

A. Chair of Deputation

- 1. At least one year before the first legislative session of the General Convention, each Deputation will:**
 - i. designate a Chair; and**
 - ii. notify the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the name of the Chair.**
- 2. The Deputation Chair will:**
 - i. serve as the primary contact for House of Deputies communications;**
 - ii. certify the Deputation's votes by orders;**
 - iii. certify changes in the Deputation during General Convention;**
 - iv. perform other duties as directed by the President.**

B. Certification of Alternate Deputies as Deputies

- 1. Alternate Deputies may not sit or vote with their Deputations, unless and until certified by the Committee on Credentials as a substitute for a Deputy.**
- 2. The Committee on Credentials will certify Alternate Deputies as Deputies before each session.**
- 3. The procedures for certification will be those determined by the Secretary of the House of Deputies.**
- 4. An Alternate Deputy will serve for one or more legislative sessions as Deputy but only until the Deputy for whom he or she substituted is able to resume their seats.**
- 5. The Committee on Credentials will hear and decide any disputes on certification of Deputies and will report their decision to the House.**

Citation: House of Deputies Rule of Order III is excerpted from the Final Text of 2015-A152, which revised the House of Deputies Rules of Order. See General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Salt Lake City, 2015* (New York: General Convention, 2015), pp. 558-586.