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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE AND HOUSE RULES 401(3)

1	SEC	TION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 3 of Senate Rule 401 is amended as follows:
2	3.	Any bill or resolution may be introduced after the organizational session adjourns
3		and before the convening of the regular session by prefiling the bill or resolution
4		with the office of the Legislative Council. The Legislative Council shall number and
5		deliver those bills and resolutions to the Secretary. The President may assign
6		prefiled bills and resolutions to committee and may, identify the sponsoring
7		committee as assigned by the Majority Leader of the Senate, arrange, before the
8		convening of the regular session, for the posting of notice of hearing, and deliver
9		those bills and resolutions to the Secretary. Prefiled bills and resolutions may not
10		be withdrawn, except on the floor of the Senate in the manner provided by the
11		rules. Prefiled bills and resolutions are not confidential.
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12	SEC	TION 2. AMENDMENT. Subsection 3 of House Rule 401 is amended as follows:
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NOTE: Senate and House Rule 401(3) authorizes prefiling, with the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House assigning prefiled bills and resolutions to committee and arranging for notice of hearing. In practice, the Legislative Council director consults with the Majority Leaders who determine appropriate committee assignments.