

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE AND HOUSE RULES 305

1 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Senate Rule 305 is amended:

2 **305. RECOGNITION BY THE PRESIDENT.** Every member desiring to speak shall ~~rise~~
3 ~~and respectfully address~~ notify the President by using the "speak" button at the member's desk,
4 and shall remain ~~standing~~ in place before proceeding to speak until recognized by the
5 President. When two or more members ~~rise~~ seek recognition at the same time ~~to speak~~, the
6 President shall designate the member who is to speak first, but in all other cases the member
7 ~~who rises first and addresses the President~~ whose name appears first on the President's desk
8 panel must be the first recognized.

9 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** House Rule 305 is amended:

10 **305. RECOGNITION BY THE SPEAKER.** Every member desiring to speak shall ~~rise~~
11 ~~and respectfully address~~ notify the Speaker by using the "speak" button at the member's desk,
12 and shall remain ~~standing~~ in place before proceeding to speak until recognized by the Speaker.
13 When two or more members ~~rise~~ seek recognition at the same time ~~to speak~~, the Speaker shall
14 designate the member who is to speak first, but in all other cases the member ~~who rises first~~
15 ~~and addresses the Speaker~~ whose name appears first on the Speaker's desk panel must be
16 the first recognized.

NOTE: The proposed rules amendment is in response to a suggestion that the rules be amended to reflect that members do not stand until recognized, but are recognized through the "speak" buttons and lights on the presiding officer's board.