

# COMMITTEE DEBATE

## HEARING COMMITTEE MOTION / SECONDS CHARTS

Motion	Citation	Required Votes	Seconds Required	Debatable Motion
Expulsion of a member of the body		2/3 membership	One	Yes
Suspend floor privileges of a member		2/3 present	One	Yes
Suspend the normal order of business	Const Art 3, Sec 5(c)	4/5 membership	One	Yes
Suspension of a Joint Rule		4/5 present	One	Yes
Suspension of a House or Senate Rule		2/3 present	One	Yes
Favorable Recommendation for House or Senate Action		Majority present	One	No
Unfavorable Recommendation for House or Senate Action		Majority present	One	No
Adoption of an Amendment		Majority present	One	No
Adopt Motion for Previous Question		Majority present	4 committee members	Yes
Motion to Lay on the Table		Majority present	One	No
Motion to Lay on the Table Subject to Call		Majority present	One	No

### PROCEDURE FOR HEARING COMMITTEE DEBATE – QUICK FORM

- 1) BILL OR RESOLUTION LAID OUT
- 2) AUTHORS OPENING REMARKS (5 minutes)
- 3) AUTHORS QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD (1 minute or question and answer "conversation" per person)
- 4) PROponent / OPPONENT DEBATE PERIOD (One question per member allowed during PRO/CON debate)
  - a) Call each Proponent witness in order (3 minutes each)
  - b) Call each Opponent witness in order (3 minutes each)
- 5) AMENDMENT PERIOD (repeat the following for each amendment)
  - a) Clerk reads amendment
  - b) Amendment author (2 minutes)
  - c) Bill Author(s) (2 minutes)
  - d) Optional Opponent if Bill Author is FOR Amendment (2 minutes)
  - e) Amendment author closes debate (1 minute)
  - f) Calls for a vote on the amendment
- 6) AUTHORS SUMMATION PERIOD (2 minutes)
- 7) MOTION - Call for motion for favorable recommendation for House or Senate action
- 8) VOTE - Call for vote on the motion