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SENATE BILL 01-226

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CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF  
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO SERVE DURING EACH PERIOD  
COMMENCING AFTER A GENERAL ELECTION AND ENDING FOLLOWING  
THE CONVENING OF THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS FORMED.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 2-3-301 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended,  
and the said 2-3-301 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW  
SUBSECTION, to read:

**2-3-301. Legislative council created - executive committee created.** (1) There is hereby created a legislative council, referred to in this part 3 as the "council", which shall consist of an executive committee, six senators to be appointed by the president of the senate with the approval of a majority vote of the members elected to the senate, and six representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives with the approval of a majority vote of the members elected to the house of representatives. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statute; dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION, the executive committee shall be comprised of the president of the senate, the majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the majority leader of the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the house of representatives, all of whom shall be ex officio members of the council. The speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate shall alternately serve as the chairman and vice-chairman of the executive committee and shall serve for one-year terms. All ex officio members of the council shall have and exercise all the powers, privileges, and duties of other members.

(1.5) (a) IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FOR EACH PERIOD COMMENCING AFTER A GENERAL ELECTION AND ENDING FOLLOWING THE CONVENING OF THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS FORMED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, A TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF THE LEGISLATORS SELECTED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE PARTY CAUCUSES AS THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, AND THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL BE FORMED.

(b) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (c) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1.5), THE TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL ASSUME ALL OF THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PREVIOUSLY FORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

(c) THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PREVIOUSLY FORMED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL RETAIN ALL POWERS AND DUTIES RELATED TO ANY SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CALLED PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ALL LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS PERTAINING TO MANNERS ARISING PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(d) EACH MEMBER OF THE TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE SAME POWERS AND DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE BUSINESS OF THE TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHETHER THE MEMBER IS A MEMBER OF THE THEN CURRENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY, A MEMBER-ELECT OF THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OR BOTH.

**SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution; except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor.

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