

Processes of the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission

January 30, 2008

1. A Commissioner submits a measure for consideration by the commission. Rule 6.002(2).

2. Commission staff numbers the measure. Statutory Recommendation numbers are preceded by SR and Constitutional Proposal numbers are preceded by CP. Rule 6.004(1).

3. The Chair refers the submitted measure to committee(s). Rule 6.005.

4. Committees hear referred measures and public testimony, make amendments and vote on the measures. Rules 6.006, 6.007, and 6.009.

5. Measures may be reported favorably or unfavorably by committees. Rule 6.009.

6a. The Chair places constitutional proposals that have been reported favorably by all committees of reference on a full Commission agenda. Rule 6.010(1).

6b. Constitutional proposals not favorably reported by all committees of reference, statutory recommendations, and informal measures are placed on the calendar of measures available for a full commission agenda. The Coordinating Committee makes agenda recommendations. Rule 6.010(2) and (3).

6c. Measures not placed on a full Commission agenda die on the calendar of available measures.

7a. Measures on a full Commission agenda may be amended, approved, or rejected. Constitutional Proposals require 17 affirmative votes. Other measures require a majority vote. Amendments to constitutional proposals may not address the substance of proposals that have been reported unfavorably by committees. Rule 6.007(6).

7b. Measures not approved fail.

8. Constitutional Proposals approved by the full commission will be referenced by the Chair to the Style and Drafting Committee. Rules 6.011.

9. The Style and Drafting Committee reviews Constitutional Proposals for compliance with the requirements for ballot titles and summaries. Rule 6.011.

10. Constitutional Proposals reported out of the Style and Drafting Committee are returned to the full Commission for final approval. Rule 6.012.

11a. Constitutional Proposals not approved fail.

11b. Constitutional Proposals approved by the full Commission await approval for filing with the Secretary of State and ballot order designation. Rules 6.013 and 6.0135.

12. The full Commission votes on whether to file each approved Constitutional Proposal with the Secretary of State. 17 votes required. Rule 6.013.

13a. Constitutional Proposals not approved for filing fail.

13b. The Coordinating Committee specifies the ballot order of Constitutional Proposals. Rule 6.0135.

14a. Approved measures other than Constitutional Proposals may be transmitted to the Legislature at the discretion of the Commission.

14b. Approved Constitutional Proposals are filed with the Secretary of State Before May 4, 2008, Art XI, s. 6, Fla. Const.