

Substitute for House Resolution No. 476.

A resolution to amend the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Rule 2 of the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Admission to Floor--Defined.

Rule 2. (1) No person shall be admitted on the floor of the House for a period of 30 minutes immediately preceding the time set for any call to order during any session of the House through adjournment, except as follows:

(a) Representatives and Senators;
(b) Former Legislators, unless otherwise restricted;
(c) Sergeants at arms, pages, Clerk's staff, and legislative staff who are specifically designated and approved by the Majority Floor Leader to be working on the House floor during session;

(d) Directors of Michigan Departments and the Governor's legislative liaisons shall be admitted to the Thatcher or Document room and may have floor access with the permission of the Majority Floor Leader;

(e) Immediate family of Representatives who have obtained and are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Majority Floor Leader;

(f) Media correspondents accredited by the Clerk of the House who are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Clerk. Media correspondents shall not use the center aisle or be at the Members' desks during roll call votes; and

(g) Such other persons as may be invited by the Speaker or Majority Floor Leader.

(2) No group or individual shall be allowed access to the floor when the House is not in session unless permission is granted by the Majority Floor Leader or Clerk. The Majority Floor Leader and Clerk shall issue guidelines to ensure that guests using the floor are responsible for costs incurred by the House. If permission is given to a Member to bring guests on the floor when the House is not in session, the Member shall accompany the guests.

(3) Only Members shall sit in Members' chairs.

(4) Any person who is a lobbyist or employed by a lobbyist shall not be admitted on the floor of the House at any time, except **IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF A REPRESENTATIVE** if admitted **UNDER RULE 2(1)(E) ON THE FIRST SESSION DAY OF AN ODD-NUMBERED YEAR FOR A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OR** under rule 2(1)(d). A former Legislator **OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF REPRESENTATIVES** shall not lobby on the floor, except if they are admitted under rule 2(1)(d). The words "floor of the House," when used in these rules, shall mean the space of the main floor of Representative Hall, together with adjacent rooms on the second floor of the Capitol under the jurisdiction of the Clerk, including the Democrat and Republican caucus rooms and the corridor behind the House rostrum.

(5) Guests may be introduced only by permission of the Presiding Officer. Guests shall not be introduced during a roll call vote. Guests are to use the center aisle only if being escorted by a Member or House staff.

(6) Use of the center aisle should be kept at a minimum.

(7) The Majority Floor Leader must grant approval for the distribution of items on the floor and items must pertain to that day's agenda. All printed material intended for distribution on the floor shall be clearly identified by the Member requesting the distribution."