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HR 15

IN THE
House of Commons

SEPTEMBER 15TH · THE GENTLEMEN, LEO CAVINDER,
SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING BILL FOR
CONSIDERATION; WHICH WAS HELD AT THE DESK.

A BILL TO

Establish House Administrative Code (HAC) by
prescribing who can issue a rule, the rule-making process,
and House disapproval.



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B **E IT ENACTED** *by this House of Commons with the advice and consent of the same, as follows:*

1 **SECTION 1. Title.**

2 This Act may be cited as “The House Administrative Code
3 Act.”

4 **SECTION 2. Establishment.**

5 (a) AGENCIES WITH AUTHORITY.—Agencies as
6 described in HCC § 2-2-5(f), and its Agencies Heads, are
7 granted the authority to establish rules to be published in
8 the House Administrative Code (HAC).

9 (b) CRITERIA.—In order for an Agency to be granted
10 authority to publish in the HAC, they must have power
11 granted and delegated by the House Assembly.

12 (c) LIMITATIONS.—Only power granted in statue to each
13 respective agency shall determine what rules they are
14 permitted to issue in the HAC.

15 (1) The Assembly may, in statue, determine
16 additional constraints to each Agency as it sees fit.

17 **SECTION 3. Treatment of administrative code.**

18 The House Administrative Code (HAC) shall be treated as
19 if was House of Commons Code (HCC) and is subject to
20 the same enforcement and complaints as any other House
21 statue.

22 **SECTION 4. Rule making process.**

23 (a) An Agency, shall issue an “Intent to Propose Rule”
24 that shall include:

- 25 (1) a summary;
- 26 (2) statutory authority to issue rule; and
- 27 (3) the proposed rule itself.

28 (b) PUBLIC COMMENT.—Each rule shall not take effect
29 until there has been at least thirty (30) days to allow
30 Members of the House or the general public to comment
31 on the proposed rule.

32 (c) PUBLICATION.—After thirty (30) days as described
33 in subsection (b), the Agency may amend its proposed rule
34 based on public comment.

- 35 (1) Upon amending or not, the Agency shall
36 officially publish its rule, and once published, is in
37 full effect and force, unless the rule prescribes a
38 different effective date.

39 (d) EMERGENCY RULEMAKING.—Should it be
40 necessary under an emergency, a Agency may not accept
41 public comment as required under subsection (b) if it is
42 deemed that the rule is required for emergency purposes.

- 43 (1) An emergency rule shall only be valid for thirty
44 (30) days after its issuance.

45 (e) HEALTH EMERGENCY.—The power to declare a
46 Health Emergency (HCC § 11-1-2(a)) shall in no way be
47 treated as a rule nor subject to this Act.

48 **SECTION 5. House disapproval.**

49 (a) A Member may introduce a Joint Resolution finding
50 disapproval of a Rule that is in effect under HAC.

- 51 (b) Should the Joint Resolution as described in subsection
52 (a) pass and be signed by the Speaker, the rule shall no
53 longer be in force and effect.

Speaker of the House Assent