

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-4633, by Representatives Sullivan and Kretz

1 WHEREAS, It is necessary to provide for the continuation of the
2 work of the House of Representatives after its adjournment and during
3 the interim periods between legislative sessions;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Executive Rules
5 Committee may assign subject matters, bills, memorials, and
6 resolutions to authorized committees of the House of Representatives
7 for study during the interim, and the Speaker of the House of
8 Representatives may create special and select committees as may be
9 necessary to carry out the functions, including interim studies, of
10 the House of Representatives in an orderly manner and shall appoint
11 members to such committees with the approval of the Executive Rules
12 Committee; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, during the interim, the schedules,
14 agendas, and locations for all meetings of any legislative task
15 force, committee, or subcommittee shall be approved by the Executive
16 Rules Committee, and those task forces, committees, or subcommittees
17 may conduct hearings and scheduling without a quorum being present;
18 and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, during the interim, authorized
20 committees have the power of subpoena, the power to administer oaths,
21 and the power to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses
22 in accordance with chapter 44.16 RCW if and when specifically

1 authorized by the Executive Rules Committee for specific purposes and
2 specific subjects; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
4 Representatives shall complete the work of the 2021 Regular Session
5 of the Sixty-Seventh Legislature during interim periods, and all
6 details that arise therefrom, including the editing, indexing, and
7 publishing of the journal of the House of Representatives; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
9 Representatives shall make the necessary inventory of furnishings,
10 fixtures, and supplies; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
12 Representatives may approve vouchers of the members of the House of
13 Representatives, covering expenses incurred during the interim for
14 official business of the Legislature in accordance with policies set
15 by the Executive Rules Committee, at the per diem rate provided by
16 law and established by the Executive Rules Committee, for each day or
17 major portion of a day, plus mileage at the rate provided by law and
18 established by the Executive Rules Committee; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
20 Representatives shall, during the interim, and as authorized by the
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives, retain or hire any necessary
22 employees and order necessary supplies, equipment, and printing to
23 enable the House of Representatives to carry out its work promptly
24 and efficiently, and accept committee reports, committee bills,
25 prefiled bills, memorials, and resolutions as directed by the Rules
26 of the House of Representatives; and

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
28 Representatives shall have authority to execute personal services
29 contracts relating to workplace investigations, and with approval of
30 the Executive Rules Committee, may execute other types of personal
31 services contracts that necessitate the expenditure of House of
32 Representatives appropriations; and

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
34 Representatives shall execute the necessary vouchers upon which
35 warrants are drawn for all legislative expenses and expenditures of
36 the House of Representatives; and

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That members and employees of the
38 Legislature be reimbursed for expenses incurred in attending
39 authorized conferences and meetings at the rate provided by law and
40 established by the Executive Rules Committee, plus mileage to and

1 from the conferences and meetings at the rate provided by law and
2 established by the Executive Rules Committee, which reimbursement
3 shall be paid on vouchers from any appropriation made to the House of
4 Representatives for legislative expenses; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, during the interim, the use of the
6 House of Representatives Chamber, any of its committee rooms, or any
7 of the furniture or furnishings in them is permitted upon such terms
8 and conditions as the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
9 shall deem appropriate; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
11 Representatives may express the sympathy of the House of
12 Representatives by sending flowers and correspondence when the
13 necessity arises; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution applies throughout
15 the interim between sessions of the Sixty-Seventh Legislature, as
16 well as any committee assembly.

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