

# JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES

# COMMITTEE RULES 2017-18 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Except as otherwise provided in the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly applicable to the 2017-2018 Regular Session, these committee rules will govern the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies during the 2017-2018 Legislative Session:

## ESTABLISHMENT

- 1. The Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies was established by AB 197 (E. Garcia, Chapter 250, Statutes of 2016).
- 2. The Committee is to provide ongoing and permanent oversight over the implementation of the state's climate policies.
- 3. The Committee is required to make recommendations concerning the state's programs, policies, and investments related to climate change.
- 4. The Committee is also authorized to establish a panel of experts to provide an independent analysis of the state policies.

### MEMBERSHIP

- 5. The Committee shall consist of at least three Senators and at least three Assemblymembers selected in a manner provided for in the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly.
- 6. Vacancies occurring between general sessions of the Legislature shall be filled in a manner provided for in the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly.

#### **OFFICERS**

- 7. The Officers of the Committee shall be a Chair and a Vice Chair.
- 8. The Chair shall preside at meetings when present. Whenever the Chair is not presiding, the Vice Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair. In absence of both, a member designated by the Chair shall preside, subject to approval of the Assembly Speaker and Senate Rules Committee.

#### MEETINGS

- 9. The Committee shall meet upon call of the Chair.
- 10. Notice of hearings and the subject matter being heard shall be given in the Daily File.
- 11. The Committee Staff shall keep a record of all meetings and actions taken by the Committee.

#### **QUORUM AND VOTING**

12. For the 2017-18 session, three members from each house constitute a quorum and the number of votes necessary to take action on any matter.

#### LEGISLATION

13. The Committee shall monitor legislation affecting California's climate change policies and testify as needed. The Chair or his or her representative may also participate in fiscal and policy hearings regarding climate change policies.

#### SUSPENSION OF RULES

14. Except as otherwise provided in the rules, any provision of these committee rules may be suspended by a quorum of the committee.

#### **OTHER RULES**

15. In all cases not provided for by this rule, the Joint Rules, or by statute, the authority shall be the latest edition of Mason's Manual.

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