

OHIO STATE BAR ASSOCIATION BYLAWS OF THE COUNCIL OF DELEGATES

Section I

In the absence or disability of both the president and president-elect of the Association, the meetings of this Council shall be presided over by a chairperson *pro tempore*, elected by a majority vote of the Council members present, which chairperson, when elected, shall serve in that capacity only during the sessions of the meeting at which he or she is elected. The secretary shall convene the first session of any meeting from or at which both the president and president-elect are absent or unable to preside, and preside during the election of such chairperson *pro tempore*.

Section II

No action shall be taken upon reports of committees or sections of the Association unless they are submitted in writing; and no such committee or section report, which has been published in the *Ohio State Bar Association Report* or other publication of the Association that is distributed to all regular members, as directed by the Board of Governors, prior to the date of the meeting of the Council, shall be read orally to the meeting unless, by motion adopted by two-thirds vote of the delegates present, such a reading be ordered.

Section III

No person shall, without the consent of two-thirds of the delegates present, be entitled to speak more than once or for more than five minutes on any issue before the Council. Reports presented by committees and sections shall be limited to ten minutes, provided, however, that the 10-minute restriction shall not apply to the discussion of a proposal subsequent to its initial presentation. A member of the council or person presenting a report or resolution shall be entitled to open and close the discussion on the matter under consideration.

Section IV

Voting on all matters shall be by voice vote unless the presiding officer is in doubt concerning the result, or a division of the house is requested by any member, in either of which events a standing vote shall be taken.

Section V

The president of the Association shall, with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors, appoint a parliamentarian to aid and assist him or the chairperson at all meetings of the Council of Delegates. Said parliamentarian, whose term of office shall be concurrent with that of the president, shall not be a member of the current Board of Governors or the Council of Delegates.

Section VI

The order of business of all meetings of the Council of Delegates shall be the following:

1. Roll call.
2. Action of minutes of previous meetings.
3. Unfinished business from preceding day, if any.
4. Special order of business for the day, as previously prepared by the president, president-elect and secretary of the Association.
5. New business.

Section VII

Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the Council of Delegates in all its proceedings, except to the extent to which these bylaws are, or the Constitution of the Association is, inconsistent therewith.

Section VIII

These bylaws may be amended by the majority vote of the delegates present at any meetings, provided the proposed amendment has been published in the *Ohio State Bar Association Report* or other publication of the Association that is distributed to all regular members as directed by the Board of Governors at least once, not less than one week prior to the date of the meeting at which action on said amendment is taken.

As amended by the Council of Delegates Nov. 7, 2003.

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS there may be more proposed bills recommended by the Association committees and sections and approved by the Council of Delegates for introduction in the legislature than can reasonably be handled in the legislature effectively;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the responsibility for the overall legislative planning for the legislative sessions be committed to the Board of Governors with the power to select the legislation which will be introduced if all of the proposed legislation approved by the Council of Delegates cannot, in the judgment of the Board of Governors, feasibly be sponsored by the Association at such legislative session, and that the committees and sections of the Association be advised of this action.

As amended by the Council of Delegates November 7, 2003.