(Senate Resolution 321, adopted April 1, 2014)

A RESOLUTION

Adopting a temporary rule of the Senate relating solely to amendments to the General Appropriation Bill and other appropriation bills for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, including any amendments offered to or for supplemental appropriations for prior fiscal years.

RESOLVED, That the Senate adopt a temporary rule to read:

(2013-2014)

TEMPORARY RULE OF THE SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

I. BUDGET AMENDMENTS ON SENATE FLOOR
II. AMENDMENTS IN APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
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I. BUDGET AMENDMENTS ON SENATE FLOOR

1. Floor amendments to the General Appropriation Bill or other General Fund or special fund appropriation bills for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2014, or for any prior fiscal year, shall be in order on second or third consideration only.

2. Any amendment offered on the floor of the Senate to the General Appropriation Bill or other General Fund or special fund appropriation bills or other budget implementing legislation (which collectively comprises and shall be referred to as the 2014-2015 Budget) that proposes spending from the General Fund or any special fund for the Commonwealth 2014-2015 fiscal year, or any prior fiscal year, at a level different from the amount contained in the 2014-2015 Budget as reported from the Appropriations Committee shall not be in order and may not be considered unless the amendment contains sufficient revisions or reductions to that 2014-2015 Budget so that the amendment does not result in a net increase to the total spending and yields a balanced budget based on current and projected revenues. Where a proposed alteration in the General Appropriation Bill is balanced, in whole or in part, by a change in other appropriation bills or other budget implementing legislation, the amendment shall have appended thereto a "statement of intent" setting forth the proposed adjustment to the other appropriation bill or bills that will result in no net increase in the total spending from the General Fund or any special fund contained within the 2014-2015 Budget as reported from the Appropriations Committee.

3. For the purpose of this temporary rule, the Legislative Reference Bureau, in drafting any amendment to the General Appropriation Bill or any other appropriation bill, shall append the "statement of intent" required for a proposal which involves more than one bill.

4. Any amendment offered on the floor of the Senate proposing to make reductions in the following appropriations shall be out of order unless the amendment provides for a revision not contrary to Federal or State statutes governing such programs:

(a) Medical assistance outpatient.

(b) Medical assistance inpatient.

(c) Medical assistance capitation.

(d) Long-Term Care.

(e) Long-Term Care Managed Care.

(f) Home and Community-Based Services.

(g) Supplemental Security Income - aged, blind, disabled.

(h) School employees' retirement.

II. AMENDMENTS IN APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

1. Any amendment offered in the Appropriations Committee to the General Appropriation Bill proposing to make reductions in the following appropriations shall be out of order unless the amendment provides for a revision not contrary to Federal or State statutes governing such programs:

(a) Medical assistance outpatient.

(b) Medical assistance inpatient.

(c) Medical assistance capitation.

(d) Long-Term Care.

(e) Long-Term Care Managed Care.

(f) Home and Community-Based Services.

(g) Supplemental Security Income - aged, blind, disabled.

(h) School employees' retirement.

III. SUSPENSION

This temporary rule may be temporarily suspended only by a vote of the majority of the

members elected to the Senate.

IV. EXPIRATION

This temporary rule shall expire upon the enactment of a General Appropriation Act for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014.