



Allegheny County Council

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Legislation Text

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Motion of the Council of Allegheny County amending the Rules of Council for Allegheny County Council in order to convert references to the former Budget Director position in the Office of County Council to references to the new Budget Manager title.

Whereas, the current Rules of Council contain multiple references to an individual Office of County Council staff member as the “Budget Director;” and

Whereas, the Budget Director position has been abolished by action of the Executive Committee, and replaced by the “Budget Manager” position; and

Whereas, it is the desire of Council to have the Budget Manager perform functions identical to those of the former Budget Director under the appropriate provisions of the Rules of Council; and

Whereas, it is therefore necessary to convert references to the former Budget Director position to references to the new Budget Manager position;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY,

That this Council hereby amends the Rules of Council as follows:

ARTICLE IV. LEGISLATION & LEGISLATIVE ACTION.

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A. Legislation

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7. Appointments.

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- a. Beginning February 1, 2008, to the extent that Council appoints at least one member of the Allegheny County Retirement Board under the terms of §5-1017.01 of the Administrative Code of Allegheny County or other applicable statute, Council’s Budget Manager ~~Director~~ shall be appointed to the Board by Council.

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C. Fiscal Notes

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3. The Chair of any committee, other than Budget & Finance, considering legislation requiring a fiscal note under the terms of Subsection C.1. of this Rule shall request such note from the Budget Manager ~~Director~~. Upon receipt of the request, the Budget Manager ~~Director~~ shall have ten (10) days to provide the Chair with a fiscal note pursuant to these Rules.
4. In preparing a fiscal note in accordance with the requirement of this Rule, the Budget Manager ~~Director~~ may, but shall not be required to, consult with any administrative department head or independently elected County official or their designee(s). No department head or independently elected County official shall be required to concur with or otherwise approve a fiscal note prepared by the Budget Manager ~~Director~~, but they may submit their own information to the Chair of the appropriate committee.

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6. The fiscal note shall accompany the subject legislation when reported from committee and shall be provided to all Council Members by the Chair of the appropriate committee immediately upon his or her receipt of the fiscal note from the Budget Manager ~~Director~~. The fiscal note shall provide the following information as applicable:

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7. In the event that the information required by subsection 5 of this Rule is not fully available or must in whole or in part be estimated, the fiscal note shall clearly indicate what necessary information is unavailable and/or the basis for the estimate(s). Under no circumstances may the Budget Manager ~~Director~~ be required by any Council Member to revise a fiscal note in whole or in part for the purpose of including a different estimate or set of estimates.

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D. Rules for Proposing Modifications to Budgets

1. Council members may propose amendments to the budget legislation under consideration. All amendments must be submitted in writing to the Budget & Finance Committee prior to the last scheduled committee meeting before the second reading of the tax ordinance and budget resolution at a meeting of Council.

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- iii. Proposed amendments may be submitted in person at a committee meeting, or, in the event that the person proposing the amendments cannot attend the meeting, they may submit the amendments through Council's Budget Manager ~~Director~~. Amendments must address both expenditures and revenues in order to maintain a balanced budget unless the amendment is intended to reduce the overall spending level without affecting revenues. Amendments in committee shall not preclude the presentation of amendments at a regularly scheduled Council meeting, provided that the content of said amendments is in compliance with this Section.

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