

DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY

RULES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

8/11/2022 – Zoom meeting

BYLAWS AMENDMENT 2022-08

Adopting Bylaws Amendments to create a special rule on debate

Amendments to Addendums

Add a new special rule of order limiting debate

ADDENDUM VII: SPECIAL RULE OF ORDER ON DEBATE

1. Main Motions:
 - a. Debate on all main motions relating to an item of business on the floor of Central Committee meetings shall be limited to three speakers for and three speakers against each individual motion; each speaker shall be provided 2 minutes.
 - b. No speaker may yield more than 1 minute; yield to another voting member; yield to a non-Democrat without permission of the chair; or yield to someone who has already spoken in debate.
 - c. No more than 2 non-members shall be allowed to speak for each side.
2. Incidental and Subsidiary Motions:
 - a. Debate on all subsidiary and incidental motions relating to a main motion shall be limited to one speaker for and one speaker against such a motion; each speaker shall be provided 1 minute. No speaker may yield during debate of a subsidiary or incidental motion.

Strike Article VII, Section 11

~~SECTION 11. TWO/THREE MINUTE RULE~~

~~Each speaker at a meeting is limited to no more than two (2) minutes per motion or issue, or three (3) minutes per committee report, unless:~~

~~A. The Chair equitably shortens that time;~~

~~B. The Chair equitably lengthens that time by one (1) additional minute; or~~

~~C. The Central Committee alters the time limit by motion.~~

~~No speaker may yield more than one (1) minute.~~