HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 429

Establishing a schedule for the conduct of business for the prefiling period of the 2026 Regular Session of the General Assembly of Virginia.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 8, 2025 Agreed to by the Senate, January 8, 2025

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the prefiling period of the 2026 Regular Session of the General Assembly shall be governed by the following rules:

Rule 1. Requests for drafts of any bill or joint resolution to be prefiled shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 1, 2025. The Division shall make such drafts available for review no later than midnight, Wednesday, December 31, 2025.

Rule 2. Requests for the drafting, redrafting, or correction of any bill or joint resolution creating or continuing a study shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 7, 2026, in order to be filed on the first day of the 2026 Regular Session.

Rule 3. Requests for redrafts and corrections of any draft prepared for prefiling shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 7, 2026. The Division shall make such drafts available no later than noon, Tuesday, January 13, 2026.

Rule 4. Bills and joint resolutions offered for prefiling shall be prefiled in either house no later than 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2026. Any member offering for prefiling a bill or joint resolution not submitted to the Division of Legislative Services for drafting is encouraged to submit an electronic version no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day the legislation is prefiled.