
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides procedures for the House of Representatives to censure or discipline nonmembers for behavior which constitutes an attempt by the nonmember to compel, coerce, or intimidate the member with the intent to influence the member's conduct in relation to his position or duty.

Proposed House Rules provide for procedures for the House of Representatives to censure or discipline nonmembers for behavior which constitutes an attempt by the nonmember to compel, coerce, or intimidate the member with the intent to influence the member's conduct in relation to his position or duty. Requires complaints by a member to be in writing, to be filed with the Clerk, and to be referred for consideration to the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs. Provides for notice to and due process for the subject of the complaint. Provides for public hearings and for recommendations of the House and Governmental Affairs Committee to the House of Representatives. Provides that the recommendation may be (1) that the complaint be dismissed; (2) that the subject of the complaint be prohibited from appearing before the House or any committee thereof on any matter for a period of time recommended by the committee; or (3) that the subject of the complaint be publicly censured. Requires concurrence of a majority of the elected members of the House in the recommendation.

(Adds House Rules 16.1-16.14)