

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following should be inserted in the *House of Representatives Standing Orders as at 19 September 2019*.

Standing orders

On 23 March 2020 standing order no. 47(c) was amended.

47 Motions for suspensions of orders

- (a) A Member may move, with or without notice, the suspension of any standing or other order of the House.
- (b) If a suspension motion is moved on notice, it shall appear on the Notice Paper and may be carried by a majority of votes.
- (c) If a suspension motion is moved without notice it:
 - (i) must be relevant to any business under discussion and seconded; and
 - (ii) can be carried only by an absolute majority of Members, or by a majority of Members present if agreed by the Leader of the House and the Manager of Opposition Business.
- (d) Any suspension of orders shall be limited to the particular purpose of the suspension.

Resolutions of the House

Special provisions for human biosecurity emergency period

Resolution adopted 23 March 2020

That:

- (1) the House may meet in a manner and form not otherwise provided in the standing orders with the agreement of the Leader of the House and the Manager of Opposition Business, with the manner in which Members may be present (including for the purposes of achieving a quorum) to be determined by the Speaker; and
- (2) any consequent changes to the rules and orders necessary to enable such a meeting to commence may be determined by agreement of the Leader of the House and the Manager of Opposition Business.

Remote participation in proceedings—official facility

Resolution adopted 24 August 2020

That:

- (1) the House authorises the use of an official video facility in order for a Member not physically present in the Chamber to participate in such proceedings of the House as it prescribes;
- (2) a Member who participates through the official facility will be identified in the Members' attendance record in the Votes and Proceedings; and
- (3) to the extent possible, the contribution of a Member who participates through the official facility will be recorded, published and broadcast in accordance with the usual processes and rules, as if the contribution had been made by a Member attending in the Chamber of the House.