

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Report of Committee on Rules and Credentials

Presented by: Tate Hinkle, MD, Chair

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1 Madam Speaker, Members of the House of Delegates:

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3 Your Committee on Rules and Credentials recommends the following temporary rules for this
4 meeting:

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6 1. Standing Rules

7 The current edition of the “House of Delegates Reference Manual: Procedures, Policies
8 and Practices” serves as our standing rules delineating the official method of procedure in
9 handling and conducting the business before the AMA House of Delegates.

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11 2. House Security

12 Maximum security shall be maintained at all times to prevent disruptions of the House, and
13 only those individuals who have been properly badged will be permitted to attend.

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15 3. Credentials

16 The registration record of the Committee on Rules and Credentials shall constitute the
17 official roll call for this meeting of the House.

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19 4. Order of Business

20 The order of business as published in the Handbook shall be the official order of business
21 for all sessions of the House of Delegates. This may be varied by the Speaker if, in their
22 judgment, it will expedite the business of the House, subject to any objection sustained by
23 the House.

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25 5. Privilege of the Floor

26 The Speaker may grant the privilege of the floor to such persons as may be presented by
27 the President, or Chair of the Board of Trustees, or others who may expedite the business
28 of the House, subject to objections sustained by the House.

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30 6. Limitation on Debate

31 There will be a 90 second limitation on debate per presentation subject to waiver by the
32 Speaker for just cause. The 90 second limitation will also apply to testimony in the in-
33 person reference committee hearings.

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35 7. Conflict of Interest

36 Members of the House of Delegates who have an interest that is or may be material to the
37 matter being considered and that would reasonably be expected to impair the objectivity of
38 the individual who is testifying, must publicly disclose that interest immediately prior to
39 testifying at a reference committee on the matter or speaking on the floor of the House of
40 Delegates on the matter.

- 1 8. Conduct of Business by the House of Delegates
2 Each member of the House of Delegates and the AMA Officers resolutely affirm a
3 commitment to abide by our AMA Code of Conduct.
4 9. Respectful Behavior
5 Courteous, collegial, and respectful behavior in all interactions with others, including
6 delegates, is expected of all attendees at House of Delegates meetings, including social
7 events apart from House of Delegates meetings themselves.
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9 Madam Speaker, this concludes the Report of the Committee on Rules and Credentials and
10 we recommend its adoption.

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