

★ **49.2** No member shall introduce a bill or resolution, requiring three readings prior to its passage, on the last legislative day of any regular session in the second year of a biennium or on the last legislative day of any special or extraordinary session. This Rule shall not preclude a member from introducing a bill or resolution requiring three readings prior to its passage if the member first makes a motion in accordance with Rule 36 to temporarily suspend the Rules to allow a bill or resolution to be introduced, read the first time, and referred to committee, and such motion is decided in the affirmative.

★ ★ **Rule 49.3** No member may file more than ten bills during each annual session of a General Assembly, except that a chair of a standing committee may file an additional five bills on subjects that pertain to the committee of which he or she chairs.

(a) For the purposes of this Rule, "bill" means general bills and resolutions, except for the following general bills and resolutions excluded from the limits imposed by Rule 49.3:

- (1) General bills of local application as designated by the Speaker or House rules and local bills;
- (2) Annual appropriations bills or supplemental appropriations bills.
- (3) Privileged resolutions that are not referred to a standing committee;
- (4) Resolutions that are procedural in nature and are not referred to a standing committee; and
- (5) Any bill or resolution withdrawn from the House by the first prime sponsor, if withdrawn on or before the fifteenth (15th) legislative day the House convenes for the transaction of business in any regular legislative session.

(b) Notwithstanding the bill filing limitation in Rule 49.3, any member may petition the rules committee for an exception to exceed the limitation on or before the twentieth legislative day the House convenes for the transaction of business in any regular legislative session. Any such petition shall include the reasons for the exception and a copy of the bill or resolution for which the exception is sought. If approved by a majority vote of the total membership of the Rules Committee, the bill or resolution shall be introduced.