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## **Amendment #1 – Ranked Choice Voting Amendment from Mr. Bever (Rule 3)**

### **Rule 3. Caucus Election Procedures**

C. After nominating and seconding speeches, balloting shall proceed without interruption or recess from ballot to ballot until one candidate has received the votes of a majority of those present and voting, or other requirements detailed below. Such candidate shall be declared elected.

1. All votes shall be by secret ballot, except when a motion is made to waive the secret ballot, or on committee lists where no secret ballot is demanded under Rule 20.
- ~~2. If there are more than two candidates, the nominated candidate receiving the fewest votes on the first and each succeeding ballot shall be eliminated. Votes for an eliminated candidate shall not be tallied nor considered except to determine the number of Members present for that vote.~~
2. **If there are more than two candidates, votes will be tabulated using ranked choice voting.**
  - a) **Voters rank their candidates in order of preference. If a candidate receives more than 50% of first choice preferences, they shall be declared the winner.**
  - b) **If no candidate exceeds 50%, the winner shall be determined by an instant runoff where whoever ranked the last place candidate as their first choice, has their vote count for their next preferred choice. This process continues until a candidate wins with more than 50% of the vote.**
  - c) **Except that the Caucus may by unanimous consent provide for a different procedure.**
3. Votes cast for a person whose name was not placed in nomination shall not be counted nor considered except to determine the number of Members present for that vote.
- ~~4. If two or more candidates tie for fewest votes on the first ballot, or on subsequent ballots, neither shall be eliminated; should this occur for a second time, however, both shall be eliminated.~~
- ~~5. Following any ballot, a candidate wishing to withdraw shall be entitled to recognition for one minute for the purpose of so advising the Caucus.~~
4. **For the position of DPCC Co-Chairs, four winners shall be determined through ranked choice voting as provided by Rule 3. C. 2. with a quorum being present.**

**Amendment #2 – Caucus Election Procedures Amendment from Ms. Eshoo (Rule 21)**

Rule 21 “Nomination and Election of Chairs of Standing Committees; Committees’ Selection of Vice Chairs” Subsection B, Item 1

The new item would read as:

“The Caucus shall vote by secret ballot to approve or disapprove that nominee alone, **unless this rule is waived by a two-thirds vote of the Caucus**; and no debate shall be allowed unless requested by the nominee or by a Member who wishes to speak in opposition to the nomination, provided that the request to speak in opposition is supported by three or more Members.”

**Amendment #3 – Limitations on Chairs of Committees and Subcommittees from Mr. Foster (Rule 22)**

Rule 22. Limitations on Chairs of Committees and Subcommittees; Exceptions to Limitations

**F. Members who wish to serve as Chair of a Standing Committee for more than a lifetime total of 6 years must first request a waiver approved by the Caucus with a vote by secret ballot. Members who receive a majority of those present and voting will remain eligible for consideration to continue serving as Chair, pursuant to normal Chair selection procedures.**

- 1. The vote(s) shall occur prior to the Steering and Policy provisions of Rule 21.A.**
- 2. The Caucus Chair may establish procedures for presentations by Chairs prior to the vote.**

**Amendment #4 - DCCC Chair Amendment from Ms. DelBene, Mr. Schneider, and Mr. Pocan (Rule 2)**

**Rule 2. Party Leaders and Officers of the Caucus**

~~D. The Caucus shall elect a Chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee at a meeting of the Caucus no later than March 1 of the first session of a new Congress.~~

**D. No later than February 15 of the first session of a new Congress the Speaker or Democratic Leader shall nominate a chair of the DCCC. Such nomination shall be submitted to the Caucus. No later than March 1 of the first session of a new Congress, the Caucus shall vote on that nomination, and other nominations which may be made from the floor on the petition of five Members of the Caucus.**

1. Candidates for Chair shall not necessarily already be a Member of the DCCC.
2. The Chair of the DCCC shall serve while a Member of the House and until a new Chair is elected.
3. If a vacancy in the office of the Chair occurs at the beginning of a Congress, the Speaker shall appoint a temporary Chair to serve until a new Chair is elected pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph.
4. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chair prior to the end of a Congress, the Speaker shall appoint a temporary Chair immediately and convene a meeting of the DCCC within 45 days of the vacancy to nominate a new Chair.
  - a) The Caucus shall act upon that nomination and additional nominations made from the floor of the Caucus on petition of five Members of the Caucus within 75 days of vacancy.

## **Amendment #5 – DPCC Structure Amendment from Mr. Cicilline (Rule 2)**

### **In Definitions:**

After “The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee shall be referenced as “Steering and Policy.” add:

- The Chair of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee shall be referenced as “DPCC Chair.”

### **In Rule 2, Section E:**

E. The Caucus shall elect a Chair of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee and ~~three~~ ~~four~~ Co-Chairs of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee.

1. The Caucus shall elect a DPCC Chair by a majority vote of members.
2. The Caucus shall elect ~~three~~ ~~four~~ Members to serve as the Co-Chairs of the DPCC. The Co-Chairs will be elected through a multi-candidate election. Each Member will cast votes for up to ~~three~~ ~~four~~ candidates, and the winners shall be determined by the ~~three~~ ~~four~~ candidates who receive the most votes.
3. The ~~four~~ DPCC Chair and Co-Chairs shall serve no more than two consecutive full terms for the position of DPCC Chair or Co-Chair.

### **In Rule 3, Section B:**

2. For the positions of the DPCC Chair, DPCC Co-Chairs, the CLR, and the FLR, the Caucus Chair may, in consultation with the candidates and the Caucus, establish alternate time limits for nominations.

### **In Rule 3, Section C:**

6. For the position of DPCC Co-Chairs, the winners shall be determined by the ~~three~~ ~~four~~ candidates who receive the most votes, with a quorum being present.

### **In Rule 4:**

A. The Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Chair or Vice Chair of the Caucus, Chair of the DCCC, DPCC Chair, any one of the DPCC Co-Chairs, CLR, or FLR who is indicted for a felony for which a sentence of two or more years of imprisonment may be imposed shall step aside and cease to exercise the power of their office.

### **In Rule 5:**

A. The Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Chair or Vice Chair of the Caucus, Chair of the DCCC, DPCC Chair, any one of the DPCC Co-Chairs, CLR, or FLR who is convicted of a felony for which a sentence of two or more years of

imprisonment is imposed shall cease to exercise the 8 powers of their office, shall be removed from such position, and shall not serve in any such position for the remainder of that Congress.

**In Rule 10, Section A:**

2. The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee shall consist of the Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Caucus Chair, Caucus Vice Chair, Chair of the DCCC, **DPCC Chair**, the DPCC Co-Chairs, the CLR, the FLR, Chair of the Committee on Caucus Procedures, the three CoChairs of Steering and Policy, the Parliamentarian of Steering and Policy, Senior Chief Deputy Whip, all Chief Deputy Whips, a Member of the freshmen class, 12 Members who shall be elected from 12 equal regions as set forth in Rule 11, up to 15 Members who shall be appointed by the Speaker, the Chair of the Committee on Appropriations, the Chair of the Committee on the Budget, the Chair of the Committee on Rules, the Chair of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Chair of the Committee on Financial Services, and the Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means.

## **Amendment #6 – Battleground Leadership Representative from Ms. S. Lee (Rule 2)**

### **Definitions**

Unless otherwise specified within a Rule:

- The Battleground Leadership Representative shall be referenced as “BLR.”

### **Rule 2. Party Leaders and Officers of the Caucus**

H. The Caucus shall elect a Battleground Leadership Representative (BLR).

1. The Caucus shall elect a Battleground Member to serve as the BLR. Battleground Member is defined as a returning DCCC Frontline Member or incoming DCCC Red to Blue Member from the just completed cycle who held the DCCC’s Frontline designation or Red to Blue designation as of General Election Day of the just completed cycle. The BLR will be elected by majority vote of Battleground Members, when a quorum of their membership is present and voting.

### **Rule 3. Caucus Election Procedures**

Except as otherwise provided by another Rule, the following provisions shall apply to all elections in the Caucus or in entities of the Caucus:

B. The name of each candidate shall be placed in nomination.

2. For the positions of the DPCC Co-Chairs, the CLR, the FLR, and the BLR, the Caucus Chair may, in consultation with the candidates and the Caucus, establish alternate time limits for nominations.

### **Rule 4. Temporary Step-Aside of a Member of the Leadership Who Is Indicted**

A. The Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Chair or Vice Chair of the Caucus, Chair of the DCCC, any one of the DPCC Co-Chairs, CLR, FLR, or BLR who is indicted for a felony for which a sentence of two or more years of imprisonment may be imposed shall step aside and cease to exercise the power of their office.

### **Rule 5. Automatic Replacement of a Member of the Leadership Who Is Convicted**

A. The Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Chair or Vice Chair of the Caucus, Chair of the DCCC, any one of the DPCC Co-Chairs, CLR, FLR, or BLR who is convicted of a felony for which a sentence of two or more years of imprisonment is imposed shall cease to exercise the 8 powers of their office, shall be removed from such position, and shall not serve in any such position for the remainder of that Congress.

### **Rule 10. Democratic Steering and Policy Committee**



There shall be a Democratic Steering and Policy Committee. A. Membership

1. The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee shall consist of the Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Caucus Chair, Caucus Vice Chair, Chair of the DCCC, the DPCC Co-Chairs, the CLR, the FLR, the BLR, Chair of the Committee on Caucus Procedures, the three Co-Chairs of Steering and Policy, the Parliamentarian of Steering and Policy, Senior Chief Deputy Whip, all Chief Deputy Whips, a Member of the freshmen class, 12 Members who shall be elected from 12 equal regions as set forth in Rule 11, up to 15 Members who shall be appointed by the Speaker, the Chair of the Committee on Appropriations, the Chair of the Committee on the Budget, the Chair of the Committee on Rules, the Chair of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Chair of the Committee on Financial Services, and the Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means.

**Amendment #7 – Committee Temporary Assignments from Ms. Kelly (Rule 16)**

1. However, if Steering and Policy decides it is in the best interest of the Caucus to fill a vacant committee position, Steering and Policy shall fill those positions with temporary assignments, such that any Member receiving temporary assignment:

- a) Does not obtain seniority on that committee, **except that they shall be ranked based on the length of consecutive temporary service on the committee among other Members with temporary assignments;**

**Amendment #8 – Election of Chairs of Subcommittees Amendment from Mr. Sherman (Rule 28)**

**Rule 28. Election of Chairs of Subcommittees; Exceptions to Limitations**

A. The Members of any standing committee shall have the right to bid in order of full committee seniority for the position of Chair of each subcommittee at the committee caucus described in Rule 27.

1. Except that the committee caucus of the Committee on Appropriations, in its discretion, may use seniority on the subcommittee concerned, as determined by the order in which Members elect to go on the subcommittee, as the criterion for determining subcommittee Chairs.
2. Any request for a subcommittee Chair shall be subject to approval by a majority of those present and voting by secret ballot in the committee caucus.
3. If the committee caucus rejects a Member's bid for the position of subcommittee Chair, ~~that Member may then bid for any remaining position of Chair of a subcommittee.~~ **the Chair of the full committee shall request that members declare their intention to seek that subcommittee chair position and the committee caucus shall proceed to an election following the procedures for full Caucus elections in Rule 3. The Member whose subcommittee bid was rejected is eligible to participate in the election.**
  - a) **If the member whose subcommittee bid was initially rejected is not elected Chair of the contested subcommittee,** that member may then bid for any remaining position of Chair of a subcommittee. If that Member is not elected to serve as Chair of any subcommittee, the next senior member may bid for any remaining subcommittee Chair positions as in the first instance.

**Amendment #9 – Democratic Steering and Policy Committee** **Amendment from Mr. Case**  
**(Rule 10)**

**Rule 10. Democratic Steering and Policy Committee**

There shall be a Democratic Steering and Policy Committee.

A. Membership

1. The Speaker shall serve as Chair of Steering and Policy. Three Members elected by the membership of Steering and Policy shall serve as Co-Chairs, and one Member elected by the membership of Steering and Policy shall serve as the Parliamentarian.
2. The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee shall consist of the Speaker, Democratic Leader, Democratic Whip, Assistant Speaker, Caucus Chair, Caucus Vice Chair, Chair of the DCCC, the DPCC Co-Chairs, the CLR, the FLR, Chair of the Committee on Caucus Procedures, the three Co- Chairs of Steering and Policy, the Parliamentarian of Steering and Policy, ~~Senior Chief Deputy Whip, all Chief Deputy Whips, a Member of the freshmen class, 12~~ **24** Members who shall be elected ~~two each~~ **two each** from ~~the~~ 12 equal regions as set forth in Rule 11, ~~and up to 15~~ **5** Members who shall be appointed by the Speaker., ~~the Chair of the Committee on Appropriations, the Chair of the Committee on the Budget, the Chair of the Committee on Rules, the Chair of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Chair of the Committee on Financial Services, and the Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means.~~
3. Terms of Service for Members of Steering and Policy shall expire when a successor is elected or appointed.
4. No Member shall be appointed or elected to more than two consecutive full terms.

**Amendment #10 – Bill Consideration Requirement from Mr. Larson (Rule 43)**

*Consideration of Legislation With Broad Caucus Support:*

- 1. Committee chairs shall bring forward for mark up any bill that is cosponsored by the majority of the Democratic Caucus and the majority of Democratic members of the committee of jurisdiction.**
- 2. Democratic Leadership shall bring forward for floor consideration any bill that is cosponsored by two-thirds of the Democratic Caucus.**

**Amendment #11 – Admittance to and Procedure in Caucus Meetings from Ms. Jackson Lee  
(Rule 9)**

**Insert**

- 8. The Caucus shall provide technical support to Members during meetings that are announced as hybrid or are only remote participation to ensure Member participation in the meeting.**
- 9. The Caucus shall provide security measures to ensure that hybrid and remote meetings are secure.**