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Amendments to Parliament's Rules of Procedure concerning the referral of proposals for legally binding acts to committees and the procedure for solving conflicts of competence

European Parliament decision of 13 June 2023 on amendments to Parliament's Rules of Procedure concerning the referral of proposals for legally binding acts to committees and the procedure for solving conflicts of competence (2023/2055(REG))

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The European Parliament,

— having regard to the letter from its President of 12 October 2022,

— having regard to Rules 236 and 237 of its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (A9-0198/2023),

1. Decides to amend its Rules of Procedure as shown below;

2. Points out that the amendments will enter into force on the first day of the next part-session;

3. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission, for information.

Amendment 1

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 48 — paragraph 1

Present text	*Amendment*
1. The President shall refer proposals for legally binding acts received from other institutions or Member States to the committee responsible, for consideration.	1. The President shall refer proposals for legally binding acts received from other institutions or Member States to the committee responsible, for consideration. ***The other committees shall be informed of the referral at the same time.***

Amendment 2

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 48 — paragraph 2 a (new)

Present text	*Amendment*
	2a. The President shall announce the referral in Parliament after receiving the proposal in all official languages of the European Union and, except in cases of requests for the application of the urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 163, after, where relevant, any conflict of competence between committees has been settled in accordance with Rule 211(2). Once it has been announced in Parliament, the referral shall be made public on Parliament's website.

Amendment 3

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 211 — paragraph 1

Present text	*Amendment*
1. If a standing committee declares itself not to be competent to consider an item, or if a conflict arises over the competence of two or more standing committees, the question of competence shall be submitted to the Conference of Committee Chairs within ***four*** weeks ***of the announcement in Parliament*** of the referral to committee.	1. If a standing committee declares itself not to be competent to consider an item, or if a conflict arises over the competence of two or more standing committees, the question of competence shall be submitted to the Conference of Committee Chairs within ***two*** weeks of the referral to committee ***provided for in Rule 48(1). Weeks without parliamentary activities and weeks set aside for external parliamentary activities shall not be taken into account for the purposes of that deadline***.

Amendment 4

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 211 — paragraph 2

Present text	*Amendment*
2. The Conference of Presidents shall take a decision ***within six weeks after the submission of the question*** on the basis of ***a*** recommendation ***from the Conference of Committee Chairs, or, if no such recommendation is forthcoming, from the latter's Chair***. If the Conference of Presidents fails to take a decision within that period, the recommendation shall be deemed to have been approved.	2. ***At the latest at its second meeting after the expiry of the deadline laid down in paragraph 1, the Conference of Committee Chairs or its Chair shall issue a recommendation***. The Conference of Presidents shall take a decision on the basis of ***that*** recommendation ***within six weeks after its transmission***. If the Conference of Presidents fails to take a decision within that period, the recommendation shall be deemed to have been approved.