

Subsection (b)(1) through (3), (5), and (6) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40, § 29(1), (4) through (6), and all of (3) except for the phrase "on any subject matter".

Subsection (b)(4) of this section combines, without substantive change, the provisions on referrals to other committees in former Art. 40, § 29(2) and, in (3), the phrase "on any subject matter" and the second clause of § 28(1). Thus, in subsection (b)(4) of this section, the reference, in former Art. 40, § 29(2), to referrals of "any recommended subject matter it receives" is deleted as surplusage. Similarly, the reference, in former Art. 40, § 28(1), to referrals of matters "not otherwise undertaken for study ... by any of these committees pursuant to § 27(e)(2) of this subtitle" is deleted. These former references did not appear to be limitations on the types of matters that could be referred to the committees and, therefore, were misleading.

Subsection (b)(7) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from the second sentence of former Art. 40, § 38.

In subsection (a)(5) of this section, the phrase "when [the General Assembly] is not in session" is substituted for the former reference "during the interim between regular sessions", to conform to similar references elsewhere in this title. The substituted language reflects that the General Assembly may meet in special session.

In subsection (a)(6) of this section, the former words "other proposals" are deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad reference to "recommendations".

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the phrase "from any source" is substituted for the former, specific reference to "members of the Legislature ... and individual citizens", for brevity.

In subsection (b)(6) of this section, the word "resolution" is added to state expressly the power to have resolutions drawn. This addition conforms to the functions of the Committee under subsection (a)(6) of this section.

In subsection (b)(7)(i) of this section, the defined term "person" is substituted for the former phrase "private department or agency", for clarity. As to "person", see § 1-101 of this article and Art. 1, § 15 of the Code.