

Board Legislative Review & Voting Procedure

Sex Offender Management Board

03/23/2026

Purpose:

To ensure fair, structured, and efficient discussion of proposed legislation within the allotted time.

Board Quorum:

17 board members

Total Time Per Bill:

30 minutes maximum (unless tabled)

Discussion & Voting Process

Round One- Initial Deliberation (15 Minutes)

- The Chair will introduce the bill.
- A brief overview may be provided (if applicable).
- Board members may offer comments, questions, perspectives, and rationale for their perspective.
- Members are encouraged to:
 - Keep remarks concise.
 - Avoid repetition.
 - Provide a concise, evidence-based rationale explaining why they chooses to support, oppose, or abstain from the bill, clearly referencing its alignment with the Board's mission, policy priorities, and anticipated impacts. Focus on policy implications and organizational impact.
- The facilitator may call on members to ensure balanced participation.

At the conclusion of 15 minutes, discussion will pause, and the Chair will call for a vote and summarize the accompany rationale.

PL: "I call for a vote to [support, oppose, abstain] [BILL NAME] for the following reasons x,y,z"

First Vote

Members will vote on one of the following positions:

- **Support the Bill with rational**
- **Oppose the Bill with rational**
- **Take No Action with rational**

A **simple majority of members voting** is required to adopt a position.

If Majority Is Not Reached

If no position receives the required majority:

Round Two-Additional Deliberation (Up to 15 Minutes)

- A second round of discussion will occur.
- Discussion should focus on unresolved concerns or clarifications.
- Discussion should also focus on sharpening the votes rational
- Members are encouraged to move the conversation toward consensus where possible.

At the conclusion of the second discussion period, the Chair will call for a second vote.

Second Vote

- Voting options remain:
 - Support with rational
 - Oppose with rational
 - Take No Action rational
 - A simple majority is required.
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If Majority Is Still Not Reached

If no position receives a majority vote after two rounds:

- The bill will be **tabled**.
 - It may be reconsidered at the next scheduled meeting, as long as it is placed on the next meeting's agenda.
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Facilitation Expectations

To ensure productive dialogue:

- Speak only once, if possible.
 - Keep comments focused and policy oriented.
 - Respect differing viewpoints.
 - Avoid side conversations.
 - The facilitator may enforce time limits to ensure all voices are heard.
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Goal:

A transparent, respectful, and efficient process that allows all board members the opportunity to contribute meaningfully while maintaining disciplined decision-making.