# 81st General Convention Legislative Committees

# **Legislative Committees**

Legislative Committees are required to hold hearings before taking any action.

#### 1. Rules of Order

Reviews and proposes Resolutions to revise the rules that govern the House.

#### 2. Constitution & Canons

Receives and proposes Resolutions that would amend the Constitution or Canons.

## 3. Governance & Structure

Receives and proposes Resolutions that address the governance and structure of the Church, including General Convention, Executive Council, and the Anglican Communion.

# 4. World Mission

Receives and proposes Resolutions on mission personnel, world mission strategy, and covenant relationships with other Anglican Provinces or bodies.

## 5. Racial Truth-Telling, Reckoning & Healing

Receives and proposes Resolutions on racial justice, reconciliation, and healing.

## 6. Social Justice & International Policy

Receives and proposes Resolutions on social justice issues in The Episcopal Church's dioceses beyond the United States, and the international peace and justice work of the Church, including engagement with the Anglican Communion.

## 7. Social Justice & United States Policy

Receives and proposes Resolutions on social justice issues facing the United States.

## 8. Congregational Vitality & Data-Driven Initiatives

Receives and proposes Resolutions on the health, development, and redevelopment of dioceses, congregations, and faith communities.

#### 9. Evangelism & Future Church

Receives and proposes Resolutions on evangelism and church planting including strategies to strengthen the Church's communication of the Gospel.

# 10. Prayer Book, Liturgy & Music

Receives and proposes Resolutions on the Book of Common Prayer, liturgy, and music of this Church.

#### 11. Formation & Discipleship

Receives and proposes Resolutions on discipleship, Christian formation, and education for all the baptized.

# 12. Agencies & Boards

Receives and proposes Resolutions on the purpose, scope, structure, and work of the agencies and boards of The Episcopal Church including, but not limited to, the Church Pension Fund, Episcopal Relief & Development, The Archives of The Episcopal Church,

Episcopal Church Women, United Thank Offering, Board for Transition Ministry, Forward Movement, General Theological Seminary, and General Board of Examining Chaplains.

#### 13. Stewardship & Socially Responsible Investing

Receives and proposes Resolutions on stewardship and socially responsible investing.

## 14. Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

Receives and proposes Resolutions on relations between this Church and other Churches outside the Anglican Communion, this Church and other religions, interchurch cooperation and unity, and interreligious dialogue and action.

# 15. Environmental Stewardship & Care of Creation

Receives and proposes Resolutions on environmental stewardship and the care of creation.

## 16. Safety, Wellness & Mental Health

Receives and proposes Resolutions on creating, cultivating, and sustaining safe environments, overall wellness for individuals and communities, as well as mental health.

## 17. Accessibility & Inclusion

Receives and proposes Resolutions on the accessibility and inclusion of all of God's people in our dioceses, congregations, structures, and faith communities.

#### 18. Title IV Disciplinary Canons

Receives and proposes Resolutions on the Title IV disciplinary Canons and procedures.

## 19. Title III Ministry

Receives and proposes Resolutions on ordained and lay ministry especially, but not limited to, Title III Canons.

# **20.** Confirmation of the Election of the Presiding Bishop (House of Deputies only) Makes recommendation to the House of Deputies to confirm or not confirm the House of Bishop's choice of the presiding bishop as per Canon 1.2.1(f).

## **Special Legislative Committees**

Special Legislative Committees are not required to hold hearings before taking any action.

#### 21. Dispatch of Business

Proposes the agenda for the House, determines the Calendar of the Day, proposes Special Orders of Business, and schedules elections.

#### 22. Certification of Minutes

Reviews the Minutes of the previous legislative day, corrects the Minutes, and reports on their completion to the House.

#### 23. Privilege & Courtesy

Receives and proposes Resolutions that commend individuals or organizations and proposes Resolutions that express the House's appreciation for groups or persons.

## 24. Credentials (House of Deputies only)

Registers Deputies and reports on the number of voting members in the House of Deputies at each session and acts as tellers for elections.

## **Other Committees**

## 25. Resolution Review (House of Deputies only)

Reviews all Resolutions submitted prior to General Convention to ensure they are consistent with the polity of this Church, that they are in the form required by the Canons, and to assess if there are funding implications. The review process continues during General Convention. The president of the House of Deputies may appoint deputies, alternate deputies, or others with pertinent expertise.