**SYNOPSIS**

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES OF PROPOSED RULES**

**PURPOSE:**  The purpose of this proposed amendment is to modify language in the existing rule to reflect legislative changes regarding an increased number of members on the Council.

**MAIN FEATURES:** The proposed amendments include:

In Rule 144-3-.01 Organization, the word “Amended” is added to the caption. Thereafter, in paragraph (1), the number of individual comprising the Council is changed from “twenty-four” to “twenty-six,” and the number serving in an ex-officio capacity is increased from “fourteen” to “sixteen.”

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED RULE. [Note: Underlined text is proposed to be added; line-through text is proposed to be deleted.]**

**Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 144-3-.01 Organization**

**Georgia Administrative Code**
**Department 144. RULES OF GEORGIA****CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL**
**Chapter 144-3. ADMINISTRATION**

**Rule 144-3-.01. Organization. Amended.**

The Director shall administer all rules and regulations of the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, whose address is 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Suite 440, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2743.

(1) **Council Membership.** The Council is composed of twenty-~~four~~six voting members, ~~fourteen~~ sixteen of whom serve in an ex-officio capacity by virtue of the position held by each, and ten of whom are to be appointed by the Governor.

(2) **Council Officers.** The Council shall elect from its membership a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson.

 (a) Chairperson. The powers and duties of the Chairperson are as follows:

 1. Preside at all meetings of the Council and conduct such meetings in an orderly and impartial manner so as to permit a free and full discussion;

 2. Have the same voting rights as any regular member;

 3. Establish and appoint committees, task forces or working groups as may be required in the bylaws or as deemed necessary by him, her, or the Council;

 4. Designate special advisory members who are not voting members of the Council for the purpose of providing information for the use of the Council;

 5. Serve as an ex-officio member of all committees, task forces and working groups;

 6. Authenticate by his or her signature all official actions and/or resolutions adopted by the Council;

 7. On behalf of the Council, advise the Governor and the General Assembly of the status of the Council's efforts and endeavors;

 8. Convene public hearings upon at least ten business days' notice in order to establish a record of public comment. The presence of a majority of members will not be required to conduct public hearings; and

 9. Perform such other duties as the Governor, the General Assembly, or the Council may delegate to him or her.

 (b) Vice Chairperson. The powers and duties of the Vice Chairperson are as follows:

 1. Perform all duties of the Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson, or in the event of the inability of the Chairperson to act;

 2. Have the same voting rights as any regular member; and

 3. Perform such other duties as the Governor, the General Assembly, the Chairperson or the Council may delegate to him or her.

(3) **Executive Committee**. The Council shall have an Executive Committee.

 (a) Executive Committee Membership. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson, the Immediate Past Chairperson and committee chairpersons.

 (b) Powers and Duties. In the event of an emergency which would preclude sufficient time or opportunity to call and conduct a full Council meeting, the Executive Committee is authorized to act on behalf of the full Council membership. Any such action by the Executive Committee will be subject to the review of the full membership of the Council at the Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

**Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 144-3-.01**
**Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 35-6A.**
**History.** Original Rule entitled "Definitions" adopted. F. Nov. 4, 1981; eff. Nov. 24, 1981.
**Amended:**ER. 144-3-0.3-.01 adopted. F. May 4, 1983; eff. Apr. 29, 1983, the date of adoption.
**Amended:**Permanent Rule adopted. F. Sept. 2, 1983; eff. Sept. 22, 1983.
**Repealed:**New Rule entitled "Organization" adopted. F. Jan. 8, 2010; eff. Jan. 28, 2010.