



Colorado Republican Committee
State Central Committee
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COLORADO REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE EMERGENCY BYLAWS

Pursuant to authority granted by Executive Order # D 2020 005 and House Bill 2020-1359 at an emergency meeting held on Friday, March 20, 2020 at Lone Tree, Colorado, the Colorado Republican State Central Committee hereby adopts the following temporary emergency bylaws which will govern Republican assemblies and conventions in Colorado for the remainder of the 2020 cycle.

EMERGENCY BYLAW # 1 – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

All notice including “call” requirements applying to any district or county assembly and convention which was originally properly noticed, or was not yet required to be noticed, pursuant to then-applicable rules or bylaws may be amended by the relevant District or County Chairman for the remainder of 2020. Any district or county assembly and convention which in the judgment of the relevant district or county chairman must be moved and/or rescheduled may be so moved and/or rescheduled with two calendar days’ notice. Notice for all moved and/or rescheduled district and county assemblies and conventions must be sent to all delegates and alternates for whom the chair has an email address and may be made by electronic means.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #2 – QUORUM REQUIREMENTS

All quorum requirements applying to any district or county assembly and convention are hereby waived for the remainder of 2020 with the exception that all district and county assemblies and conventions must have the participation of at least three delegates in order to be able to conduct business.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #3 – CO-LOCATION AND DATE REQUIREMENTS

All requirements that any district assembly be co-located with other district assemblies and/or county assemblies and conventions are hereby waived for the remainder of 2020.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #4 – ALTERNATIVE CREDENTIALING/VOTING PROCESSES

All district and county central committees or district and county assemblies and conventions may provide for alternative credentialing, nominating, and/or voting procedures as permitted by House Bill 2020-1359. Such procedures may be adopted by a vote of the district or county officers. Such procedures may alternatively be adopted by a district or county assembly or convention by a majority vote of the members present and voting. All assemblies and conventions may use more than one voting method.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #5 – PROXIES AT DISTRICT AND COUNTY ASSEMBLIES

Notwithstanding any prohibition in any district or county bylaw or rule, all district and county assemblies and conventions may permit members to participate by proxy with each member physically present carrying no more than five proxies and any delegate permitted to participate remotely prohibited from carrying a proxy. Each proxy shall, at a minimum, identify the delegate granting the proxy, the delegate receiving the proxy, and any voting instructions for the delegate carrying the proxy. Any district or county assembly and convention acting to allow members to participate by proxy must do so by a question separately presented to the body prior to the elevation of any alternates and may only be voted on by those delegates physically present.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #6 – MEETING FORMATS

All district and county central committees or district and county assemblies and conventions may meet using an alternative meeting platform, provided a verifiable record of all remote access and participation is made. The verifiable record of all remote access and participation shall be maintained for 6 months to be deemed in compliance with this requirement.

EMERGENCY BYLAW # 7 – NOMINATIONS

District or county officers may set a nomination deadline in advance of their assembly and convention.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #8 – ALTERNATES AT COUNTY AND DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES

All district and county assemblies and conventions may dispense with the elevation of alternates if alternative credentialing and/or voting procedures are adopted such that substantially all delegates have the opportunity to participate in the assembly and convention.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #9 – EXTENDED DISTRICT AND COUNTY ASSEMBLIES

Pursuant to House Bill 2020-1359, all district and county assemblies and conventions shall be completed no later than April 11, 2020, and may be held over a period of no more than seven calendar days.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #10 – CONTESTS OF DESIGNATIONS BY DISTRICT OR COUNTY ASSEMBLIES

Any delegate or candidate who wishes to contest the designation of any candidate to the primary ballot by district or county assembly and convention must within two days of the adjournment of the district or county assembly and convention at which the designation was made, present such contest to the state Executive Committee with simultaneous notice to all candidates for designation at the assembly and convention in the race subject to contest and to the district or county chair. The state Executive Committee will make a recommended determination of all such contests to the Colorado Republican State Central Committee which will make the final determination of all such contests at its pre-assembly meeting.

EMERGENCY BYLAW # 11 – COMPLETED ASSEMBLIES AND CONVENTIONS

These Emergency Bylaws shall not affect the result of any district or county assembly and convention completed before, on the day of, or on the weekend following their adoption, except that pursuant to Governor's Executive Order # D 2020 005 any district or county which held its assembly and convention in violation of any then-applicable notice or quorum requirement or which adopted alternative credentialing and/or voting processes is hereby ratified so long as notice was given in accordance with Emergency Bylaw #1.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #12 – NOTICE FOR STATE ASSEMBLY & CONVENTION

All provisions of the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee governing the date and form of notice for the Colorado Republican State Assembly & Convention may be set aside for the remainder of 2020 by the State Chairman. In the event the State Chairman determines it necessary to change the date or location for the State Assembly & Convention, he shall give at least three days' notice of such change via e-mail to all district and county chairmen, all members of the Colorado Republican

State Central Committee, and all state assembly and convention delegates and alternates for whom the state party has an email address and shall post such notice on at www.cologop.org.

EMERGENCY BYLAW # 13 – ALTERNATIVE CREDENTIALING/VOTING PROCESSES AT STATE ASSEMBLY & CONVENTION

Notwithstanding any provision of the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, the State Chairman may provide for alternative credentialing and/or voting procedures permitted by House Bill 2020-1359. If the State Chairman determines to provide for such procedures, he must announce such procedures at least 7 days before the State Assembly & Convention by e-mail to all district, county chairman, members of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, and all state assembly delegates and alternates for whom the state party has an email address and by posting notice of such procedures to www.cologop.org.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #14 – ALTERNATES AT STATE ASSEMBLY AND CONVENTION

Notwithstanding any provision of the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, the State Chairman may, in connection with the provision of alternative credentialing and/or voting procedures under Emergency Bylaw #11, bar alternates from attending the State Assembly & Convention and may suspend the practice of elevating alternates to take the places of absent delegates. Nothing in this Emergency Bylaw shall prevent alternates from running for National Delegate

EMERGENCY BYLAW #15 – VACANCIES IN DESIGNATION

If, after a good-faith effort to use the authority granted by these Emergency Bylaws any assembly and convention is, in the opinion of its chairman nonetheless unable to meet or complete its business as a result of the order of a competent public authority or the unavailability of meeting space, the district or county chairman shall request permission from the State Chairman no later than April 5, 2020 or the date of the affected assembly and convention (whichever comes later) to allow the appropriate vacancy committee to fill the resulting vacancy in designation as provided by House Bill 2020-1359. Upon receipt of written approval from the State Chairman, the appropriate vacancy committee shall fill the resulting vacancy in designation pursuant to law.

EMERGENCY BYLAW # 16 – INTERPRETATION

These Emergency Bylaws shall take precedence over the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, any rules of the Colorado Republican Party, and the Bylaws or Rules of any County or District Republican Committee. In the event of a conflict, the rule deemed to be in conflict with the Emergency Bylaws shall be deemed inoperative and ineffective to the extent of such prohibition without invalidating any of the other provision or portions thereof.

EMERGENCY BYLAW #17 – EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEAL

These Emergency Bylaws shall take effect immediately upon their adoption by the Colorado Republican State Central Committee. All of these Emergency Bylaws are automatically repealed effective December 31, 2020. They may be repealed at an earlier date by a simple majority vote to the Colorado Republican State Central Committee or the Colorado Republican State Executive Committee.