

45-30 (to the Overtures and Resolutions Standing Committee)
Overture from the Presbytery of Rivers and Lakes

To amend *Rules for Assembly VII* section 7-3

Current Wording	Proposed Wording
<p>7-3 An overture ordinarily is the request of a Presbytery for action by the General Assembly upon a specific matter.</p>	<p>7-3 An overture ordinarily is the request of a Presbytery for action by the General Assembly upon a specific manner. <u><i>Since overtures to the General Assembly are the communication of the lower court, the higher court is responsible for the public dissemination of all overtures properly filed. The Stated Clerk shall provide for the public posting of any properly filed overture so that the overture is made accessible to the whole church ordinarily within five (5) days of original receipt.</i></u></p>

Rationale:

This amendment requires timely distribution of overtures so the EPC as a whole will have ample time to consider the merits of all overtures.