

REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)
Act 236 of 1961

600.1419 Continuances and postponements to assure adequate representation; “nonmeeting day” defined.

Sec. 1419.

(1) In order to assure adequate representation for the people of this state, when the court knows that a party in a civil action is a member of the legislature of this state, and the legislature is in session, the action shall be continued to a nonmeeting day.

(2) In order to assure adequate representation for the people of this state, when the court knows that a party in a civil action is a member of the legislature of this state who serves on a legislative committee, subcommittee, commission, or council that is scheduled to meet during the legislative session while the legislature is temporarily adjourned, or that is meeting during the interim between legislative sessions after the legislature has adjourned sine die, or when the partisan caucus of which the legislator is a member is scheduled to meet, the action shall be continued to a nonmeeting day.

(3) In order to assure adequate representation for the people of this state, when the court knows that a witness in a civil action is a member of the legislature of this state, and the legislature is in session, or when the member is serving on a legislative committee, subcommittee, commission, or council that is scheduled to meet during the legislative session while the legislature is temporarily adjourned or during the interim between legislative sessions after the legislature has adjourned sine die, or when the partisan caucus of which the witness is a member is scheduled to meet, the action need not be continued, but the taking of the legislator's testimony, as a witness, shall be postponed to the earliest practicable nonmeeting day.

(4) As used in this section, "nonmeeting day" means a day on which there is not a scheduled meeting of the house of which the party or witness is a member nor a legislative committee meeting or public hearing scheduled by a committee, subcommittee, commission, or council of which he or she is a member, nor a scheduled partisan caucus of the members of the house of which he or she is a member.

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