MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DElegates

INTRODUCED BY: MedChi Council on Bylaws

SUBJECT: Rules Change Regarding Parliamentary Authority

It was brought to the attention of the Council on Bylaws that the American Medical Association has amended its rules so that its parliamentary authority is designated as the “parliamentary rules and usages contained in the then current edition of The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure” (AMA Policy B-11.1). This authority is the successor to The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis currently referenced in the MedChi Rules as MedChi’s default authority. Recommend the following modifications to the Rules.

RULE 5.1 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY
The rules contained in the current edition of The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis shall govern the House of Delegates except to the extent that it is inconsistent with the bylaws of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland and these Rules. In the event an issue is not addressed in the bylaws, these Rules, or The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis, then Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all procedures before the House of Delegates.

RULE 9.1 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY
The rules contained in the current edition of The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis shall govern all indemnification hearings except to the extent that it is inconsistent with the general requirements, standards and procedures set forth in the Maryland Annotated Code Corporations and Associations Article ’2-418, the Bylaws of MedChi, and these Rules. In the event an issue is not addressed in the Maryland Annotated Code Corporations and Associations Article ’2-418, the Bylaws, these Rules or The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis, then Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern.

As adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on April 17, 2016.