

POLICY
RECEIVING AND ACTING ON OVERTURES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Adopted March 28, 2006

1. Proposed overtures for Presbyters' consideration may come from the following:
 - a. any session of a member congregation
 - b. any committee or council of the Presbytery
 - c. any two or more presbyters, ministers and/or elder commissioners
2. Proposed overtures shall be submitted to the Stated Clerk in sufficient time to be included in the Presbytery mailing for the assembly at which it is to be considered.
3. Proposed overtures shall come before the Presbytery in sufficient time to meet the General Assembly's deadlines, usually 120 days prior to G.A. for those recommending amendments to the *Book of Order* and 45 days for all others.
4. Proposed overtures should be written in the format required by the General Assembly.
5. Sessions may appoint an Overture Advocate, who need not be an elder commissioner, to speak to the proposed overture.
6. Any of the parties identified in #1 above may also request the Presbytery to endorse an overture already submitted to the General Assembly by another Presbytery, providing the Stated Clerk receives the request and a copy of the overture in sufficient time to be included in the Presbytery mailing for the assembly at which such an endorsement is to be considered.
7. Parties are encouraged to consult with the Presbytery Stated Clerk for assistance with timing, formatting, presentation and any other related matters.