

# Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Book of Order

The full text of the amendments can be found at:

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Amendment	Summary	Advice
24-A — F-1.0403	Adds gender identity and sexual orientation to categories that express the Church’s unity in diversity.	Consider Separately
24-B – G-1.0104	Allows presbyteries to provide supervision and support to worshipping communities that are not traditional, organized congregations.	Approve
24-C — G-2.0104b	Adds the Historic Principles of Church Order (F-1.0403) and the principles of participation and representation in F-1.0403 to exams of candidates for ordained service.	Consider Separately
24-D —G-2.0504b	Extends period of temporary pastoral relationships from twelve to thirty-six months.	Approve
24-E— G-2.0504b	Defines non-disclosure agreements and forbids their use when a temporary pastoral relationship ends.	Approve
24-F — G-2.0610	Removes requirement to record reasons for waiving ordination requirements in the areas covered by the standard ordination examinations. Retains requirement to inform calling presbytery, but with confidential details omitted.	Approve
24-G — G2.0901	Defines non-disclosure agreements and forbids their use when a pastoral relationship is dissolved.	Approve
24-H — G-3.0106	Adds adults with vulnerabilities to the protection policies required of all councils.	Approve
24-I — G-3.0302d	Removes the requirement that every overture from a presbytery to the General Assembly have the concurrence of at least one other presbytery.	Approve
24-J — G-3.0501	Adjusts the ratios of commissioners to the General Assembly based on the membership of presbyteries, reflecting the realities of shrinking presbytery membership and declining numbers of presbyteries.	Approve
24-K — D-7.0501	Requires the stated clerk of a presbytery to report to civil legal authorities knowledge of harm, or risk of harm, related to physical abuse, neglect, and/or sexual molestation of a minor or adult lacking mental capacity. (Similar to mandatory reporting already required in G-4.0302.)	Disapprove: Consider Separately
24-L — D-7.0902b	Requires that the administrative leave described in Church Discipline be <u>paid</u> administrative leave.	Approve
24-M Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on Local Sharing of Ministries	Provides for limited, orderly exchanges of ministers between the Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Corresponds to existing agreements with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and two Provinces of the Moravian Church in America.	Approve

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### Omnibus Basket

**The Bills and Overtures recommends that Presbytery approve the following Proposed Amendments**

24-B – G-1.0104

24-D —G-2.0504b

24-E— G-2.0504b

24-F — G-2.0610

24-G — G2.0901

24-H — G-3.0106

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24-L — D-7.0902b

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### Consider Separately Basket

**The Bills and Overtures Recommends that these Proposed Amendments be voted on separately:**

24-A — F-1.0403	approve	disapprove
24-C — G-2.0104b	approve	disapprove
24-K — D-7.0501	approve	disapprove