

43-13 (to the Overtures/Resolutions Standing Committee) From the National Leadership Team

The NLT recommends that the 43rd General Assembly **APPROVE** the *Book of Government* 17-5 be deleted, with the following sections renumbered, and the *Book of Government* 6-8D and 18-3H be amended.

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Current wording of <i>Book of Government</i> 17-5	Proposed wording of <i>Book of Government</i> 17-5. <i>Amendments Removed</i> .
Treasurer	That section G.17-5 be deleted, with
A. Where the responsibility for the finances of the local church falls to the Board, it shall appoint a Treasurer to handle the financial matters of the congregation. This person may or may not be a Deacon.	following sections renumbered.
B. Where the Session retains responsibility for financial matters, it shall follow this stipulation: the Treasurer shall report to the appointing body at each stated meeting, keeping a careful record of financial matters. The appointing body shall be responsible for an annual audit of the finances of the church.	

Current wording of <i>Book of Government 6-8D</i>	Proposed wording of Book of Government
	6-8D Amendments Removed
If a local church does not elect Trustees (or if	If a local church does not elect Trustees the
Deacons have not been given the responsibility of	Session or a designated portion of the
property), the Session, or a designated portion of	court, shall serve as the Trustees of the
the court, shall serve as the Trustees of the local	local church.
church.	

Current Wording of Book of Government 18-3H	Proposed Wording of <i>Book of Government</i> 18-3H. <i>Amendments in bold italics</i> .
To determine the budget of the church and the benevolence objectives of the congregation.	To determine <i>and oversee the finances</i> of the <i>local</i> church <i>including the budget</i> and the benevolence objectives of the congregation.

The PJC recommends that the 43rd General Assembly **APPROVE** the amendments to **G.**17-5, **G.**6-8D, and 18-3H.

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