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44-36 *(to the Ministerial Vocation Standing Committee)*
From the Permanent Judicial Committee

The **Permanent Judicial Committee** recommends that the 44th General Assembly **REFER** amending the *Book of Government* section 9-3 to the Permanent Committee on Theology and the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Vocation for their consideration and that Overture **44-37** be answered by this action.

Rationale: The PJC recognizes the importance of maintaining the highest biblical standards for officers of the church and how those standards help to uphold the peace, unity, and purity of the church. The PJC believes that theological definition of terms and doctrines not currently found in our constitution or position papers (**G. 25-2.A**) should be determined by the highest court of the church so as to be consistent with our confessional standards and then applied to the examinations of officers, and should be informed by the analysis of the Permanent Committees on Theology and Ministerial Vocation.

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