

Royal Decree 26,4

Parliament Act of 2026

Regarding certain reforms to the confederal system of Governance and placing restrictions on the amendment of the Royal Constitution.

Article I - Of Parliament

- I. The Parliament shall take over the powers of the Privy Council (as established in Article I of the *Royal Decree on Government*).
 - A. It shall act on behalf of the Crown.
- II. The Parliament shall open its sessions by the Crown every three months. Its sessions shall be public, except for special sessions.
- III. Parliament shall be opened by the Crown and each legislature shall last one year.
- IV. Special sessions are those sessions that are needed by necessity:
 - A. In times of emergency or crisis; or
 - B. Upon the death of the King.
- V. In the case of the death of the King, the House of Lords shall act as the Regency Council and shall temporarily rule until the Coronation of the Crown Prince.
- VI. Both chambers of Parliament shall adopt the Standing Rules of Parliament.

Article II - Of the House of Lords

- I. The House of Lords shall consist of the Peerage and other appointed members.
- II. It shall act as the Constitutional Court, and act in the Crown's name upon violations of the Constitution and other high crimes, such as treason, crimes against natural rights, and the like.
 - A. In trials regarding interpretation of the Constitution, the Crown shall be called directly as a witness as to the original interpretation and reasoning for amendments and declarations.
- III. It shall also possess the power of impeachment against its own officials and the officials in the House of Estates. Members of the Peerage may not be impeached but may be recommended to the Crown for removal after trial. This trial shall proceed with two weeks notice to the Crown.
- IV. The House of Lords has a right to reject proposals made by the House of Estates, and request it be amended. It may not begin the proposal process for legislation, excluding bills regarding criminal codes or codes in general, or treaties and diplomatic bills.

Article III - Of the Peerage

- I. The Peerage shall include the lords, professionals, magistrates, and clergy who shall be appointed by the Crown or who shall inherit their position.
- II. The Peerage shall be comprised of the following:
 - A. The Crown Prince; and
 - B. The elected representative to represent the Archduchy of Saint Augustine; and

- C. The Dukes from each Duchy and the lawful representatives from the other monarchical states; and finally
- D. The elected representatives from the Republics and Commonwealths.
- III. The professionals and magistrates shall be appointed by the Crown at the suggestion of the House of Estates.
- IV. The clergymen shall include the representative of the Archbishop of Saint Augustine and other eligible clergymen from each state. They must be in good standing with Holy Mother Church and they may be from either the Latin or Eastern rites.

Article IV - Of the House of Estates

- I. The House of Estates may begin the proposal process for legislation.
- II. Bills regarding the budget, economic codes, or labour laws may bypass the House of Lords through a two-thirds vote in the House of Estates.
- III. The House of Estates may act on behalf of the Crown in disputes between a labourer and his employer.

Article V - Of Estate Elections

- I. The Estates shall be the following:
 - A. Amongst the Catholic clergy, the schools, public education, the sciences, the arts, and the liberal studies; and
 - B. Amongst the various industries; and
 - C. Amongst the traders and merchants; and
 - D. Amongst those in commerce and transportation; and
 - E. Amongst the bankers and those in insurance sectors; and finally
 - F. Amongst the public services and the military service.
- II. In the House of Estates, each estate shall have two representatives, one representative shall be elected directly amongst the estates themselves at the Federal level, and one representative shall be elected directly amongst the local guilds. Elections shall be conducted two to three months before the opening of the legislature. Each representative has a term of one year.
- III. The representatives to the Estates must be of good standing with Holy Mother Church and must be free of criminal record. Representatives must make an oath at the beginning of their service.
- IV. The local guilds may elect their representative through their own procedures.

Article VI - Additional Provisions

- I. The amendment of the Royal Constitution, of which shall consist of this Act, of the Royal Decrees 26,1 and 26,2, and of the Provisional Act on Diplomacy, shall require only the prerogative of the Crown and the supermajority of the states, which shall constitute a two-thirds vote, in the House of Lords in a special session, of which the Crown Prince and the Archduchy of Saint Augustine shall not be voting.
- II. This Act shall be entitled ‘Royal Decree 26,4’ or ‘Parliament Act (2026)’