

Bill; meant to originate in this House, shall be first referred to a Select Committee, and the matter thereof reported upon, before the introduction of any such Bill.

XLIII.

That every Member who shall introduce a Bill, Petition, or Motion, upon any subject which may be referred to a Committee, shall be one of the Committee without being named by the House.

XLIV.

That when a Private Bill is brought from the other House, the principle of which is admitted, this House, by Message, may either request a communication of the evidence received in proof of the allegations or matter whereon the Bill is founded, or the Committee of this House to whom it may be referred shall examine the said allegations, and on reporting the Bill, state whether the same or matter thereof be founded, and whether the parties concerned in interest or property therein, have given the consents to the satisfaction of the Committee.

XLV.

That the foregoing be considered a standing instruction at all Committees who shall meet upon Private Bills; and further, that they require all Persons, whose interest or property they shall consider to be affected thereby, to appear in person before them, to give their consent thereto: and if they cannot personally attend, they may send their consent in writing, which shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that when any Committee shall be appointed on a Private Bill, notice thereof shall be set up in the lobby of this House seven days before the meeting of the said Committee.