

Members
ex officio

68. The Leader of the Government in the Senate, or, in the absence of that Leader, the Deputy Leader of the Government, and the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, or, in the absence of that Leader, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, are members *ex officio* in addition to the number of appointed members, of the Committee of Selection and all select committees of the Senate.

Chairman

69. The Clerk of the Senate shall, as soon as practicable after a committee has been appointed, call an organization meeting of the committee, and the committee shall at that meeting choose a chairman.

Meeting
without
quorum

70. A quorum is required whenever a vote, resolution or other decision is taken by a select committee, but any such committee, by resolution thereof, may authorize the chairman to hold meetings to receive and authorize the printing of evidence when a quorum is not present.

Powers

71. A standing committee shall be empowered to inquire into and report upon such matters as are referred to it from time to time by the Senate, and shall be authorized to send for persons, papers and records, whenever required, and to print from day to day such papers and evidence as may be ordered by it.

Senators
not
members

72. A senator though not a member of a committee may attend and participate in its deliberations but shall not vote.

Public
attend-
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73. Members of the public may attend any meeting of a committee of the Senate, unless the committee otherwise orders.

Special
commit-
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74. The Senate may appoint such special committees as it deems advisable and may set the terms of reference and indicate the powers to be exercised and the duties to be undertaken by any such committee.