AMENDED STANDING ORDER 56 (1) AND (2)

Election of Deputy Speaker. (1) A Chairman of Committees who shall also be Deputy Speaker of the House shall be elected at the commencement of every Parliament; and the Member so elected shall, if in his place in the House, take the Chair of all committees of the whole, including the committees of Supply, and Ways and Means, in accordance with the usages which regulate the duties of a similar officer, generally designated the Chairman of the Committees of Ways and Means, in the House of Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Official languages.

(2) The Member elected to serve as Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees shall be required to possess the full and practical knowledge of the official language which is not that of Mr. Speaker for the time being.

NEW STANDING ORDER 56A

Orders for House in committees of the whole. Except as provided in standing orders 57A and 57C, when an order of the day is read for the House to resolve itself into any committee of the whole, the question "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" shall be decided without debate or amendment.