

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.

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.

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.

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

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

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.

75. (1) A senator who has any pecuniary interest whatsoever, not held in common with the rest of the Canadian subjects of the Crown, in the matter referred to any select committee, shall not sit on such committee and any question arising in the committee relating to that pecuniary interest may be determined by the committee, subject to an appeal to the Senate.

(2) Subject to subsection (1), a senator on whose motion any bill, petition or other matter is referred to a