

Notice of
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commit-
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Divorce
bills.

Proceed-
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on Senate
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and evidence on which the bill is founded may be communicated, and these, when received, are referred to the committee. In the case of bills originating in the Senate, upon which notice by advertisement is required by the Rules, the committee give one week's notice of their sitting and twenty-four hours notice on bills originating in the Commons ; divorce bills, however, are introduced first in the Senate and there are certain Standing Orders and rules concerning them and which are peculiar to that House ; these will be found printed in full at the end of this work. When a divorce bill is sent down by the Senate to the Commons for their concurrence a copy of the evidence and documents on which the bill is founded are communicated at the same time.¹

The bills sent down to the Commons pass through the same stages, and are subject to the same rules, as other private bills. When any private bill is so received, that is not based on a petition which has been already reported on by the Committee on Standing Orders, it is taken into consideration and reported on by the

¹ Senate Journals, 1879, p. 188.