

That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General, delivered this day from the Throne to the two Houses of Parliament, be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEE ON ORDERS AND CUSTOMS

APPOINTMENT

Senator Petten moved, seconded by Senator McDonald:

That all the senators present during this session be appointed a committee to consider the Orders and Customs of the Senate and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said committee have leave to meet in the Senate Chamber when and as often as they please.

Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

APPOINTMENT

Senator Petten moved, seconded by Senator McDonald:

That pursuant to rule 66, the following senators, to wit: the Honourable Senators Bourget, Choquette, Denis, Flynn, Grosart, Inman, Langlois, Macdonald, Perrault, Petten and Quart, be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate senators to serve on the several select committees during the present session; and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

Motion agreed to.

THE CONSTITUTION

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL SENATE COMMITTEE

Senator Stanbury moved, seconded by Senator van Roggen, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(d):

That a Special Committee of the Senate, to be known as the Special Committee of the Senate on the Constitution, be appointed to consider and report upon the subject matter of the Bill C-60, intituled: "An Act to amend the Constitution of Canada with respect to matters coming within the legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada, and to approve and authorize the taking of measures necessary for the amendment of the Constitution with respect to certain other matters", of the Third Session of the Thirtieth Parliament, or any matter relating thereto;

That the committee have power to engage the services of such counsel, staff and technical advisers and to incur such special expenses as may be necessary for the purpose of the inquiry;

That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses, to print such

papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the committee and to sit during adjournments of the Senate;

That the papers and evidence received and taken on the subject in the preceding session be referred to the committee; and

That, notwithstanding rule 66, the committee be composed of the Honourable Senators Argue, Austin, Barrow, Bosa, Bourget, Connolly (Ottawa West), Flynn, Forsey, Fournier (de Lanaudière), Godfrey, Grosart, Hayden, Lafond, Lang, Lucier, Marchand, Marshall, McElman, Molson, Olson, Petten, Phillips, Rizzuto, Robichaud, Smith (Colchester), Stanbury, Wagner, Williams and Yuzyk.

Motion agreed to.

RETIREMENT AGE POLICIES

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL SENATE COMMITTEE

Senator Fournier (Madawaska-Restigouche) moved, seconded by Senator Deschatelets, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(d):

That a special committee of the Senate be appointed to examine and report upon

- (a) the existing retirement age policies affecting workers in both the public and private sectors;
- (b) the social and economic implications of mandatory retirement based on age alone;
- (c) the feasibility of enabling workers, especially elderly citizens, to continue to make a worthwhile contribution to our society through flexible voluntary retirement plans to the extent of their ability and motivation;
- (d) the protection for those over sixty-five against age discrimination in all employment areas; and
- (e) the need for the maximum co-operation of all levels of government, labour unions, business and the public in respect of existing and future retirement age policies and retirement plans;

That the committee have power to engage the services of such technical, clerical and other personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of the inquiry; and

That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses, to report from time to time, to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the committee, to sit during adjournments of the Senate and to adjourn from place to place in Canada.

Motion agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.