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shall go into operation immediately upon the Prorogation of the present Session of Parliament, being that convened on the eighth day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six.

Explanatory Note:

It is the opinion of the Committee that the Rules should commence operation on a day to be fixed by resolution of the Senate.

6. On the first day of the first session of a new Parliament, or of any subsequent session when the House of Commons have no Speaker, the Senate meets at thirty minutes before the hour named for the opening of the session: Prayers are said; and new senators, if any, are introduced, and take the oath of allegiance and their seats. His Excellency the Governor General or his Deputy being seated, the Commons attend in response to a message to that effect conveyed by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and are directed to choose a Speaker.

His Excellency or his Deputy, as the case may be, retires; and the Senate adjourns to a time thirty minutes before that fixed for the delivery of the Governor General's speech.

His Excellency opens the Session by a Speech to both Houses; and, Prayers being said, a Bill is read pro forma; the Speech from the Throne is reported by the Speaker, and a Committee of Privileges, consisting of all the senators present during the session, is appointed.

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On the second day of any such session as aforesaid or on the first day of any other session, His Excellency opens the Session by a gracious Speech to both Houses; and, prayers being said, a Bill is read pro forma; the Speech from the Throne is reported by the Speaker, and a Committee of Privileges, consisting of all the senators present during the session, is appointed. M. 283-294: B. 83-85.

Explanatory Note:

The words "On the second day of any such session as aforesaid or on the first day of any other session" are deleted because of modern-day practice of only one day opening of Parliament.

7. No Change.

7. The Senate meets for the transaction of business at three of the clock in the afternoon of each sitting day; unless otherwise previously ordered. M. 320-321: B. 208.