

house on the same day, may on one motion be referred together to a committee of the whole house.

In such case, the committee may consider all such bills without the Chairman leaving the chair on each separate bill. On rising, the Chairman shall report separately such bills as have been adopted by the committee, such bills on which progress has been made, and such bills as have not been considered by the committee. If the committee decide to rise before having considered any bills referred to them, such bills may be referred to any other committee of the whole house during the same sitting of the house.

Reference:—Todd, P. B., p. 101.

534. In committee of the whole house, the preamble of any private bill shall be considered previously to all other parts of such bill.

Reference:—Todd, P. B., p. 106.

535. No amendment to a private bill, except as to form, can be moved in committee of the whole house, unless its objects is to strike out the whole of a clause or unless a previous notice has been given thereof by inscription on the agenda paper of the day.

References:—B., p. 787; Todd, P. B., pp. 105-106.

Notes:—1. Such notice is governed by rules 134, 135, 137 and 143.

2. An amendment moved as a sequence to a special instruction does not fall under the purview of rule 535 and require previous notice. Desj., Q., p. 255.

3. It is a daily practice to allow ministers of the crown to move without previous notice such amendments as are necessary to protect the public or safeguard private rights.

At the third reading, a private bill cannot be proposed to be again referred to a committee of the whole with