

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Senator Martin, P.C., laid on the Table the following:—

Report of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, including its accounts and financial statements certified by the Auditor General, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1972, pursuant to sections 75(3) and 77(3) of the *Financial Administration Act*, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of operations under the *Civil Service Insurance Act* for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1972, pursuant to section 21(2) of the said Act, Chapter 49, R.S.C., 1952.

The Honourable Senator Molson, from the Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders, presented the following Report:—

THURSDAY, June 15, 1972.

The Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders, pursuant to Rule 67(1) (e), having examined the Rules of the Senate, recommends the following amendment:

Rule 67(1): After Rule 67(1)(l) insert the following as new Rule 67(1) (m):

“(m) The Senate Committee on Agriculture, composed of twenty members in addition to the *ex officio* members provided for in Rule 68, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, to which shall be referred on motion all bills, messages, petitions, inquiries, papers and other matters relating to agriculture.”

Your Committee further recommends that the foregoing amendment come into force forthwith and remain in force until the commencement of the next session of Parliament.

Respectfully submitted,

H. DE M. MOLSON,
Chairman.

With leave of the Senate,

The Honourable Senator Molson moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Desruisseaux, that the Report be adopted now.

After debate, and—

The question being put on the motion, it was—
Resolved in the affirmative.

The Honourable Senator Molson, from the Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders, presented the following Report:—

THURSDAY, June 15, 1972.

The Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders, pursuant to Rule 67(1) (e), having examined the Rules of the Senate, recommends the following amendments:

1. *Page 2, Rule 3*: Strike out Rule 3 and substitute therefor the following:

“3. Any rule or part thereof may be suspended without notice by leave of the Senate, the rule or part thereof proposed to be suspended, and the reason for the proposed suspension, being distinctly stated.”

2. *Page 10, Rule 19*: Strike out paragraphs (f) to (i), inclusive, and substitute therefor the following:

- “(f) question period;
- (g) orders of the day;
- (h) inquiries;
- (i) motions.”

3. *Page 10, Rule 21*: Strike out lines 1 and 2 thereof and substitute therefor the following:

“21. Unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, orders of the day take precedence according to priority as follows, precedence always being given to orders of the day relating to legislation under paragraphs (b), (c) and (d):”

4. *Page 14*: Renumber Rule 36(2) as Rule 36(3) and insert the following as new Rule 36(2):

“(2) A motion to adjourn a debate shall be deemed to be a motion to postpone that debate to the day specified in the motion, or, if no day is so specified, to the next sitting day.”

5. *Page 18, Rule 45*: Reletter Rule 45(1) (h) as Rule 45(1) (i) and insert as new Rule 45(1) (h) the following:

“(h) for the making of a substantive motion;”

6. *Page 28, Rule 66*: Strike out Rule 66 and substitute therefor the following:

“66. (1) At the commencement of each session a committee of selection consisting of nine senators named by the Senate shall be appointed whose duty it shall be to nominate the senators to serve on the several standing committees.

(2) Unless and until otherwise ordered by the Senate, the senators so nominated shall, when their appointments are confirmed by the Senate, serve for the duration of that session.”

7. *Page 30, Rule 67(1)*: Strike out paragraphs (f) to (l), inclusive, and substitute therefor the following:

“(f) The Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration, composed of twenty members, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, to which shall be referred on motion all bills, messages, petitions, inquiries, papers and other matters relating to internal economy, budgetary matters and administration generally.

(g) The Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, composed of twenty members, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, to which shall be referred on motion all bills, messages, petitions, inquiries, papers, and other matters relating to foreign and commonwealth relations generally, including:

- (i) treaties and international agreements;
- (ii) external trade;
- (iii) foreign aid;