

Strangers
ordered to
withdraw

17. If at any sitting of the Senate, or in Committee of the Whole, any senator shall take notice that strangers are present, the Speaker or the chairman (as the case may be) shall forthwith put the question, "That strangers be ordered to withdraw", without permitting any debate or amendment: Provided that the Speaker or the chairman may, whenever he may think fit, order the withdrawal of strangers, from any part of the Senate.

Government
bill, etc.,
Minister
may be
invited

18. When a bill or other matter relating to any subject administered by a department of the Government of Canada is being considered by the Senate or in Committee of the Whole, a minister, not being a member of the Senate, may on invitation from the Senate enter the Senate chamber and, subject to the rules, orders, usages, forms and proceedings of the Senate, may take part in the debate.

Order of
business

19. At each daily sitting of the Senate, the Speaker shall call for, in the following order:

- (a) presentation of petitions;
- (b) reading of petitions;
- (c) reports of committees;
- (d) notices of inquiries;
- (e) notices of motions;
- (f) inquiries;
- (g) motions;
- (h) question period.

Page 10: Strike out rule 20 and substitute therefor the following:

"20. When the Speaker calls the question period, a Senator may ask any question of the Government Leader relating to matters of urgency or importance to the nation or the Senate. A Senator may also ask any question of a Senator who is a Minister of the Crown relating to his ministerial responsibility or any question of the chairman of a committee relating to the activities of that committee. No notice of such questions is required. Supplementary questions may be asked."
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(a) remaining orders of the day.