

- (m) "rule" means any standing rule or standing order of the Senate.
- (n) "select committee" means a committee composed of less than the whole body of senators and includes both a standing committee and a special committee.
- (o) "shall" is to be construed as imperative, and "may" as permissive.
- (p) "special committee" means a select committee other than a standing committee appointed to consider certain matters and to report thereon to the Senate.
- (q) "standing committee" means a select committee appointed to consider and to report thereon to the Senate matters falling within the duties specifically assigned to it by these Rules, and on other matters that may from time to time be referred to it by the Senate.
- (r) "substantive motion" means an independent motion not incidental or relating to a proceeding or Order of the Day already before the Senate.
- (s) "two days' notice" means a notice where a sitting day intervenes between the day on which the notice is given and the day on which the motion or inquiry is made.
- (t) "writing", "written" or any term of like import includes words printed, painted, engraved, lithographed, photographed, or represented or reproduced by any mode of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.

Explanatory Note:

Definitions of "incidental questions", "subsidiary questions" have been repealed because superfluous. Definitions of "question", "substantive motion", "select committee", "standing committee", "special committee", and "written" have been redrafted for sake of clarity. Definitions of "leave of the Senate", "two days' notice" and "one day's notice" have been retained. Definitions of "bill", "committee", "committee of the whole", "inquiry", "joint committee", "motion", "petition", "previous question", "person", "rule", "shall" and "may", have been added for sake of clarity.

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