

Principle discussed at second reading

56. The principle of a bill is debated at its second reading.

Bill passes on third reading

57. When a bill has been read a third time it shall be deemed to have been passed by the Senate and there shall be no further debate or amendment.

Reconsideration of clauses

58. At any time before a bill is passed a senator may move for the reconsideration of any clause thereof already carried.

Senate disagreement

59. (1) When the Senate disagrees with amendments made in the House of Commons to a bill originating in the Senate, and the Senate decides to return the bill to the House of Commons indicating its disagreement with any of the amendments made by the House of Commons, the message accompanying such bill shall state the reasons for such disagreement by the Senate, and such reasons shall be drawn up by a committee of three senators appointed for such purpose by the Senate.

Commons disagreement

(2) When the House of Commons disagrees with amendments made by the Senate to a bill originating in the House of Commons and has returned to the Senate such bill indicating the amendments disagreed with, if the Senate decides to insist on its amendments or any of them and to return the bill to the House of Commons, the message accompanying such bill shall state the reasons for the insistence by the Senate on its own amendments, and such reasons shall be drawn up by a committee of three senators appointed for such purpose by the Senate.

Conference not required

(3) When the House of Commons disagrees with any amendments made by the Senate or insists upon any amendments to which the Senate has disagreed as aforesaid, the Senate shall receive the reasons of the House of Commons by message, without a conference, unless at any time the House of Commons wishes to communicate the same at a conference.

Free conference

(4) Any conference between the Houses may be a free conference.

Speaking at conference

60. A senator shall not speak at a conference with the House of Commons unless he is one of the committee.

Bill not duplicated in session

61. When a bill originating in the Senate has been passed or negatived a new bill for the same object shall not afterwards be originated in the Senate during the same session.