

relating to public or private matters, matters of general policy, or to redress of local or personal grievances;

- (n) "previous question" means a motion "that the original question be now put";
- (o) "question", except in respect of the question period and a question of privilege, means a proposal presented to the Senate or a committee thereof by the Speaker or chairman for consideration and disposal in some manner;
- (p) "rule" means any standing rule or standing order of the Senate;
- (q) "select committee" means a committee composed of less than the whole body of senators and includes both a standing committee and a special committee;
- (r) "shall" is to be construed as imperative, and "may" as permissive;
- (s) "special committee" means a select committee other than a standing committee appointed to consider certain matters and to report thereon to the Senate;
- (t) "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;
- (u) "substantive motion" means an independent motion neither incidental to nor relating to a proceeding or order of the day already before the Senate;
- (v) "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;