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Part 5
Senate Standing Committee Parliamentary Procedures

SR3-2-501 Obtaining the floor in committee -- Remarks to be germane.

- (1) The standing committee chair shall recognize any committee member who wishes to speak to the subject under consideration.
- (2) Upon recognition by the standing committee chair, the committee member shall ensure that the member's remarks are germane to the subject under consideration.

SR3-2-502 Motions in committee -- General requirements and procedure.

- (1)
 - (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2), any standing committee member who is recognized by the standing committee chair may make a motion.
 - (b) A second to the motion is not required.
- (2)
 - (a) A committee member may not make:
 - (i) a motion to strike the enacting clause of a bill; or
 - (ii) a motion to circle.
 - (b) A standing committee may pass a motion to hold a bill.
- (3) The standing committee chair shall:
 - (a) restate each oral motion made by a committee member; and
 - (b) ensure that each written motion made by a committee member is distributed to the committee members.
- (4) The committee member who made a motion may withdraw the motion.

SR3-2-503 Motions in committee -- Substitute motions.

- (1) A standing committee member may, upon recognition by the standing committee chair, make a substitute motion, which, if adopted by vote of a majority of the members present, disposes of the original motion.
- (2) If the substitute motion is not adopted, the original motion is revived.
- (3) A standing committee member may not make a substitute motion if another substitute motion has been made and is pending.

SR3-2-504 Motions in committee -- Motions in order during debate.

- (1)
 - (a) When a motion or question is being debated, the standing committee chair may not accept any other motion except a motion:
 - (i) to adjourn, which is nondebatable;
 - (ii) to determine the time to which to adjourn, which is debatable;
 - (iii) to recess, which is nondebatable;
 - (iv) to end debate (call the previous question), which is nondebatable and requires a majority vote to pass;
 - (v) to refer to another committee, which is debatable;

- (vi) to extend the time for debate, which is debatable;
 - (vii) to limit debate, which is debatable;
 - (viii) to postpone to a time certain, which is debatable;
 - (ix) to table, which is nondebatable;
 - (x) to take from the table, which is nondebatable;
 - (xi) to adopt a substitute, which is debatable; or
 - (xii) to amend, which is debatable.
- (b) Points of order and appeals of the decision of the chair are not motions and are always in order.
- (c) The standing committee chair shall grant priority to the motions listed in Subsection (1)(a) according to the order in which they are listed in that subsection.
- (d) The standing committee chair shall terminate debate if the standing committee adopts a motion to end debate by a majority vote.
- (2) If a motion to postpone a piece of legislation to a day certain, to postpone a piece of legislation indefinitely, or to return a piece of legislation to the Senate Rules Committee is defeated, a committee member may not make the same motion on the same piece of legislation during the same committee meeting.

SR3-2-505 Motions in committee -- Nondebatable motions.

- (1) The standing committee chair may not allow debate on a motion:
- (a) to adjourn;
 - (b) to recess;
 - (c) to table; or
 - (d) to take from the table.
- (2) The standing committee chair shall decide all points of order arising from one of the motions identified in Subsection (1) without debate.

SR3-2-506 Motions in committee -- Motion to adjourn.

- (1) A motion to adjourn is always in order except:
- (a) when a vote is being taken;
 - (b) when a previous motion to adjourn has been defeated and no intervening business has been transacted; or
 - (c) when another committee member has the floor.
- (2)
- (a) If a motion to adjourn has been made, no substitute motion for adjournment is in order.
 - (b) A motion to adjourn may be held by the standing committee chair if the sponsor of the motion to adjourn approves.