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PRIVATE MEMBERS' TIME

Monday Mornings

Private Members' Time on Monday mornings affords Private Members the opportunity to discuss matters of importance in their constituencies or the province at large that they may not necessarily have the opportunity to raise during other proceedings.

It takes place in the Chamber from 10 a.m. to 12 noon each Monday morning, and is comprised of Private Members' Statements, Private Members' Motions, and Private Members' Bills (also referred to as Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members).

Standing Order 25 Orders of the Day

Monday
10 a.m. to 12 noon
(*Private Members' Time*)

Private Members' Statements (10 a.m.)

Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members and Private Members' Motions

Private Bills

Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice

No division, on Orders of the Day, will be taken in the House or in Committee of the Whole during Private Members' Time, but where a division is requested, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House on the Monday, unless otherwise ordered.

MANAGING PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Draw for List of Precedence

At the earliest opportunity in a new Parliament, the Clerk of the House will conduct a draw to establish the assigned placement of Private Members to propose business for the duration of that Parliament.

The list is appended to Schedule D of the Orders of the Day, and is also available on the Legislative Assembly website under the "Parliamentary Business" menu on the "Session Overview" page.

The Member at the top of the list will have the first opportunity to move a Private Member's motion or second reading of a Private Member's bill. After the Member moves their item of business, their name is removed from the list and the next Member becomes eligible.

Exchanging or Withdrawing Places on the List of Precedence

After the initial draw in a new Parliament, any Member may exchange their placement with another Member, or withdraw their place, up until Opening Day of the new Parliament.

After Opening Day, a Member may only exchange their placement or withdraw their place until they reach the third place on the List of Precedence. Exchanges or withdrawals are not permitted when a Member is listed first, second or third on the List of Precedence.

Exchanges and withdrawals must be communicated by providing written notice to the Office of the Clerk.

On sitting days:

- By providing the notice to the Table during sitting hours using the "Notice of List of Precedence Change" template.
- If exchanging places, both affected Members must sign the notice.

On non-sitting days:

- By e-mailing the details of the change to OfficeoftheClerk@leg.bc.ca.
- If exchanging places, the other affected Member must be copied on the e-mail and reply indicating their consent.

The List of Precedence on Schedule D of the Order Paper will be updated and the date of the change will be noted.

Preparing to Move Your Item of Business

Support will be provided by the Office of the Clerk to Members as they near the top of the list; however, Members are responsible for ensuring that they have prepared an item of business for Private Members' Time.

Members who are near the top of the List of Precedence should also be prepared to move their item of business as debate may move quickly depending on the time taken to debate the preceding Member's motion or bill before the House.

Advancing Private Members' Business and Timelines

To provide certainty about which items of business will proceed and to ensure Members can prepare for debate, timelines for preparing and identifying an intended item of business must be met.

When a Member reaches the **third place** on the List of Precedence, **the item of business they intend to advance must be on the Order Paper.**

This means that by the time a Member is in fourth place on the List of Precedence, they must have either a motion on notice or a bill listed for second reading on Schedule D of the Order Paper. This ensures that their motion is eligible to be called, or that their bill is before the House, when they advance into third place on the List of Precedence. Please note that although bills must have been previously introduced and read a first time, they may still appear as "Not Printed" on the Order Paper.

Example timelines are provided below; however, please note that they reflect the latest permissible timelines. Notices of bill and notices of motion may always be submitted well in advance of the timelines shown.

Example: Private Member's Bill

Week 1

- Monday: Member moves into fourth place on the List of Precedence
- Tuesday: notice of bill must be submitted to the Table
- Thursday: bill must be introduced

Week 2

- Monday: Member moves into third place on the List of Precedence and bill is listed under "Second Reading" on Schedule D of the Order Paper

Example: Private Member's Motion

Week 1

- Monday: Member moves into fourth place on the List of Precedence
- Wednesday: notice of motion must be submitted to the Table

Week 2

- Monday: Member moves into third place on the List of Precedence and notice of motion is listed under "Private Members' Motions on Notice" on Schedule D of the Order Paper

Members are responsible for managing the two days' notice requirement in time for motions and bills to reach the Order Paper, and for ensuring sufficient time is provided for bills to be finalized and printed in order to be eligible for second reading.

Additionally, when a Member reaches third place on the List of Precedence, their intended item of business will be designated on the Order Paper. If a Member has more than one item of business on the Order Paper at this time, the Office of the Clerk will be in contact to request written notice of which item they intend to advance.

Special Provisions:

- In a new Parliament, the first three Members on the List of Precedence must ensure that they have an item of business on the Order Paper by the fourth sitting day following Opening Day.
- Following periods of long adjournment in the same session or in a new session, the second and third Members on the List of Precedence must ensure that they have an item of business on the Order Paper by the fourth sitting day after sittings resume.

If a Member does not have an eligible or designated item of business on the Order Paper within the timeframes outlined above, the Member will be moved to the bottom of the List of Precedence.

Effect of Bill or Motion Ruled Out of Order

Bills or motions can be ruled out of order for reasons that include, but are not limited to:

- The inclusion of measures that involve the appropriation of public revenue or the introduction of any tax (Standing Orders 66 and 67).
- Matters that affect the Constitution (Standing Order 76).
- Matters that affect prerogatives of the Crown.
- Unparliamentary language.

If a Private Member's bill or motion is ruled out of order, the item of business is removed from the Order Paper, and the Member's name is moved to the bottom of the List of Precedence, regardless of whether they have other items of business on the Order Paper.

Changes to the Status of Private Members

A "Private Member" is any Member of the Legislative Assembly who is not in Cabinet, i.e., a member of the Executive Council. Parliamentary Secretaries and Presiding Officers, other than the Speaker, are Private Members.

When there is a new Private Member within a Parliament, such as when a sitting Member has a change in roles or when there is a new Member as a result of a by-election, they will be assigned to the bottom of the List of Precedence. If more than one Private Member is to be added at the same time, the Clerk will conduct a draw.

Should a Private Member be appointed to Cabinet, their name will be removed from the list.

Unavailability of Sponsoring Member

If the Member sponsoring a motion or bill is not available to move their business forward at the appointed time, leave, or unanimous consent, is required to enable another Private Member to take carriage of the motion or bill.

If leave is not granted, the item of business is dropped from the Order Paper and the Member is removed from the List of Precedence.

Alternatively, leave could be requested to enable another Private Member's motion or Private Member's bill to be debated without disturbing precedence of items on the Order Paper, that is, the House could debate another Private Member's motion or Private Member's bill while preserving the order of business already on Schedule D of the Order Paper for the next sitting.

Reinstatement of Business After Prorogation

The List of Precedence and items of Private Members' business that have been advanced on Schedule D of the Order Paper continue for the life of a Parliament.

The following items **will be reinstated** on the Order Paper to their last stage of consideration at prorogation, maintaining their order of precedence:

- Private Members' bills that have been moved at second reading or have progressed to a subsequent legislative stage.
- Private Members' motions that have been moved and are standing at adjourned debate.

The following items **will not be reinstated** after prorogation:

- Notices of Private Members' bills that have not been introduced.
- Private Members' bills that have been introduced and read a first time, but have not been moved at second reading.
- Notices of Private Members' motions that have not been moved.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

The first 30 minutes of Private Members' Time each Monday morning is dedicated to Private Members' Statements. Private Members' Statements are intended to provide Members with the opportunity to discuss a wide range of topics related to their constituencies or to the province at large. They are not subject to amendment, adjournment or vote.

Time Limits

Statements are limited to 5 minutes each, although they can be shorter in duration, providing flexibility for more Members to participate within the 30 minutes dedicated to Private Members' Statements.

Content Limitations

Statements must:

- Be confined to one matter.
- Not revive discussion on a matter which has been discussed in the same Session.
- Not anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration by the House, in respect to which a notice of motion has been previously given and not withdrawn.
- Not raise a question of privilege.

Deadline for Names and Topics

Caucus Whips will confer to settle the names of participating Members for each Monday morning.

Names and topics must be provided to the Office of the Speaker (OfficeoftheSpeaker@leg.bc.ca) **by noon the preceding Thursday.**

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

When a Member's name is at the top of the List of Precedence, they may move a Private Member's motion during Monday morning Private Members' Time, for which notice has been previously given.

TIME LIMITS	
Maximum: 75 minutes	
Mover	5 min
Any other Member	5 min
Mover in reply to close debate	5 min



Divisions deferred to 30 minutes prior to daily adjournment



Two days' notice required; must be submitted by the preceding Wednesday



Eligible to be moved when listed on Schedule D under "Private Members' Motions on Notice"

Notice

Two days' notice is required for Private Members' motions. The Member must submit the notice of motion to the Clerks at the Table in the Chamber on the supplied "Notice of Motion" template while the House is sitting. Notices of motion cannot be accepted by staff in the Office of the Clerk.

The notice of motion appears on the *Votes and Proceedings* for two sitting days before it is added to Schedule D of the Order Paper. Once the motion is listed on Schedule D, it is eligible to be moved in accordance with the List of Precedence.

Members may share their proposed motion with the Clerks at the Table to seek advice or highlight potential issues in advance of submitting notice.

Notice Deadline

If a Member wishes to advance a Private Member's motion, the motion must be on the Order Paper when the Member reaches the third place on the List of Precedence. Please see "Advancing Private Members' Business and Timelines" on page 4.

Notice may be provided on any sitting day; however, in order for a motion to appear on the Order Paper on a Monday morning, the notice of motion must be submitted to the Table **no later than the preceding Wednesday** in order to meet the two days' notice requirement.

Please note that as notice can only be provided on sitting days, break weeks must be factored into notice timelines to ensure notice requirements are met.

Debating the Motion

The Member stands to be recognized by the Chair at the appointed time and moves the motion by reading it aloud. The Member then makes remarks followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate. The mover may also make closing remarks. Amendments may be proposed without notice, and must be submitted in writing.

If the sponsoring Member is not available to move their motion, leave is required to enable another Private Member to take carriage of the motion.

If leave is not granted, the motion is dropped from the Order Paper and the Member is removed from the List of Precedence.

Alternatively, leave could be requested to enable another Private Member's motion or Private Member's bill to be debated without disturbing precedence of items on the Order Paper, that is, the House could debate another Private Member's motion or Private Member's bill while preserving the order of business already on Schedule D of the Order Paper for the next sitting.

Adjourned Debate

If it is time for the sitting to be adjourned and the maximum time limit of 75 minutes has not elapsed and more Members wish to participate in debate, debate can be adjourned, and the item of business will take precedence on the Order Paper for the next Monday morning Private Members' Time.

Putting the Question

If the maximum time limit has elapsed, or no other Members wish to participate in debate, the Chair will put the question.

Divisions

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, if a division is requested on a Private Member's motion, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House. Unless otherwise ordered, the House adjourns at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays; therefore, the division would be held at 6 p.m.

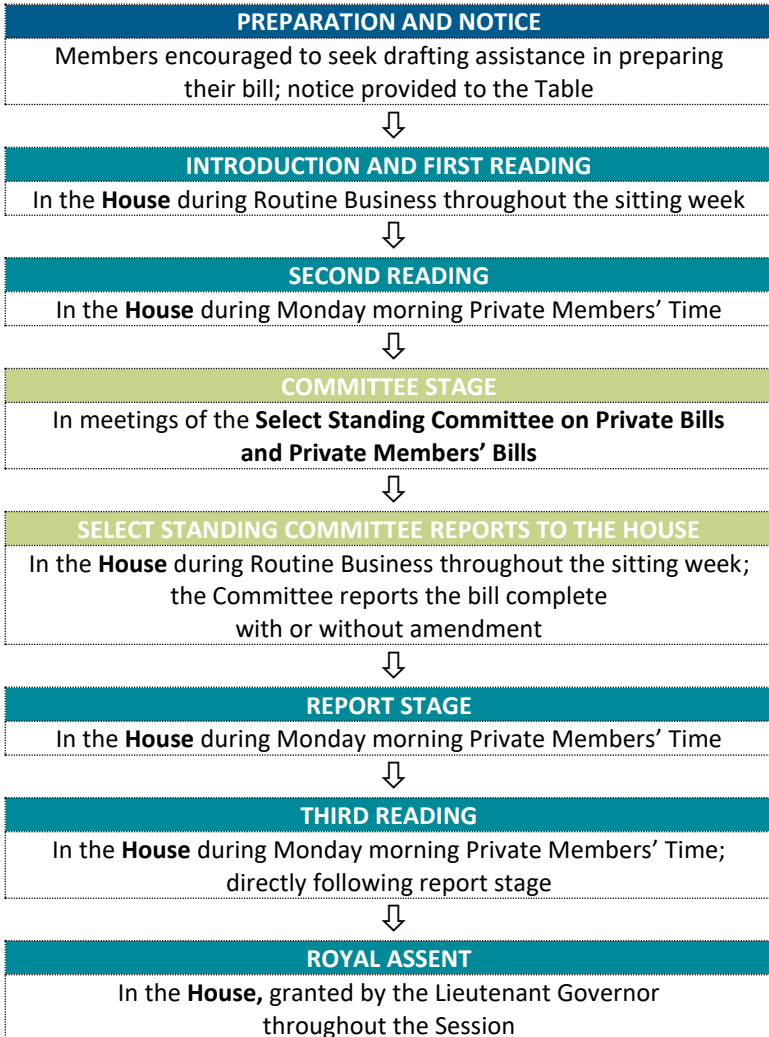
Motions Ruled Out of Order

If a Member moves a motion that is ruled out of order by the Chair, debate on the motion does not continue and the motion is removed from the Order Paper. The Member's name is moved to the bottom of the List of Precedence, regardless of whether they have other items of business on the Order Paper.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS

LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Private Members' bills follow a different legislative process than Government bills or Private bills. The key difference is that committee stage takes place in a parliamentary committee.



PREPARATION AND NOTICE

Preparation

The Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel provides confidential legislative drafting services for bills and amendments to all Private Members.

Members are strongly encouraged to seek the advice and drafting assistance of the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel to ensure the bills are properly drafted – that is, consistent in form with the British Columbia Statute Book and reflects the policy that they wish to advance. Members should contact the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel well in advance of when they intend to introduce a Private Member’s bill to allow for sufficient time to address any issues of law, concerns with respect to the Standing Orders, drafting or redrafting, or any consultations the Member may wish to undertake.

Depending on volume and capacity, the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel may prioritize legislative drafting requests according to a Member’s placement on the List of Precedence.

Contact:

S. Suzie Seo, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel
E-mail: suzie.seo@leg.bc.ca

Timelines

After a bill has been drafted, it may take many days before it can be debated during Private Members’ Time. Sufficient time must be factored into the process to ensure notice and printing requirements are met.

- Two days’ notice must be provided before it can be introduced and read a first time.
- After introduction and first reading, sufficient time must be provided for the bill to be prepared for printing by the King’s Printer at the approval of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel. The Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel may be required to make certain revisions to the bill as introduced prior to printing. Therefore, how quickly a bill can be printed may be dependent on whether or not the Member availed themselves of the drafting assistance noted above.
- Once the bill is finalized, two to three business days is required to print and distribute the bill.

Notice

Two days' notice is required before a Private Member's bill can be introduced. The Member must submit a notice of bill to the Clerks at the Table in the Chamber on the supplied "Notice of Bill" template while the House is sitting. Notices of bill cannot be accepted by staff in the Office of the Clerk.

The notice of bill appears on the *Votes and Proceedings* for two sitting days before it is added to the Order Paper under "Introduction of Bills." Once the bill is listed on the Order Paper, it is eligible to be introduced.

It is recommended that Members discuss their proposed legislative initiative with the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel in advance of notice being given to ensure the bill is in a state of readiness and can be printed soon after introduction and first reading.

If a Member wishes to advance a Private Member's bill, the bill must be on Schedule D of the Order Paper when the Member reaches the third place on the List of Precedence. Please see "Advancing Private Members' Business and Timelines" on page 4.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

A bill must be introduced and read a first time before it can be debated during Private Members’ Time. Private Members’ bills are introduced and read a first time in the House throughout the sitting week.

After first reading, the bill is reviewed by the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel, as required by the Standing Orders, and printed and distributed.

TIME LIMITS	
Maximum: 2 minutes	
Mover	2 min



Divisions taken immediately upon request



Two days’ notice required



Eligible to be introduced when listed the Order Paper under “Introduction of Bills”

Introducing the Bill

Bills are introduced during Routine Business throughout the sitting week when the Clerk calls for “Introduction of Bills” at the outset of each morning and afternoon sitting.

The Member stands to be recognized by the Chair and introduces their bill. The Member then makes a two-minute statement explaining the purpose and submits the draft bill to the Table. The Chair will put the question on first reading. If it passes, the Member moves the next motion, which is, “that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today.” If the second motion passes, the bill is listed on Schedule D of the Order Paper for second reading with the notation “not printed.”

Bills “Not Printed” on the Order Paper

The bill may only proceed to second reading after it has been printed and distributed.

Following introduction and first reading, Private Members' bills are listed on Schedule D of the Order Paper with the notation, "not printed." The bill is then reviewed by the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel, who may need to work with the Member to finalize the bill before authorizing it to be printed. When the bill has been printed and distributed, it is noted as "printed" on the Order Paper.

The length of time it takes for a bill to be printed can depend on the bill's readiness at introduction and whether or not the Member has consulted the Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel when drafting the bill, as well as printing availability and timing. Generally, bills that are introduced in good form are printed within two to three business days of introduction.

Bills Ruled Out of Order

A Private Member's bill may be ruled out of order by the Speaker. This would take place throughout the sitting week during Routine Business, after the bill has been printed. The ruling is final, and the sponsoring Member may not make representations.

If a Private Member's bill is ruled out of order, it is removed from the Order Paper, and the Member's name is moved to the bottom of the List of Precedence, regardless of whether they have other items of business on the Order Paper.

As noted earlier, bills can be ruled out of order for reasons that include, but are not limited to:

- The inclusion of measures that involve the appropriation of public revenue or the introduction of any tax (Standing Orders 66 and 67).
- Matters that affect the Constitution (Standing Order 76).
- Matters that affect prerogatives of the Crown.
- Unparliamentary language.

SECOND READING

When a Member's name is at the top of the List of Precedence, they may move second reading of a Private Member's bill during Monday morning Private Members' Time.

The bill must have previously been introduced and passed first reading at a previous sitting, and sufficient time must have also been provided for the bill to be printed and distributed.

When the bill is showing as "printed" on Schedule D of the Order Paper, it is eligible for second reading.

TIME LIMITS	
Maximum: 75 minutes	
Mover	10 min
Any other Member	10 min
Mover in reply to close debate	5 min



Divisions deferred to 30 minutes prior to daily adjournment



Eligible to be moved when listed on Schedule D under "Second Reading" with the notation "printed"

Second Reading Debate

The sponsoring Member stands to be recognized by the Chair at the appointed time and moves second reading of their Private Member's bill. The Member then makes second reading remarks, followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate. The mover may also make closing remarks.

Second Reading Amendments

The three motions in amendment to second reading stage, six months' hoist, reasoned amendment and referral of the subject matter to a parliamentary committee, are applicable to Private Members' bills.

Adjourned Debate

If it is time for the sitting to adjourn and the maximum time limit has not elapsed and more Members wish to participate in debate, debate can be

adjourned, and the item of business will take precedence on the Order Paper for the next Monday morning Private Members' Time.

Putting the Question

If the maximum time limit has elapsed, or no other Members wish to participate in debate, the Chair will put the question.

If second reading passes, the bill stands committed to the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Bills for committee stage.

If second reading is negatived, the bill is defeated.

Divisions

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, if a division is requested during second reading stage consideration, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House. Unless otherwise ordered, the House adjourns at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays; therefore, the division would be held at 6 p.m.

COMMITTEE STAGE

Committee stage consideration of Private Members' bills is conducted by the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Bills.

Time Limit

From the time the bill is committed, the Committee has a maximum of 45 sitting days to complete its work and report the bill back to the House.

Process

The Committee considers the bill clause-by-clause and may amend the bill. To inform its review of the bill, the Committee may seek information from the sponsoring Member as well as input from the public.

Role of the Sponsoring Member

Once a bill has been committed, the Parliamentary Committees Office will reach out to the sponsoring Member with more details about committee stage. This will include step-by-step information about the Committee's process as well as guidance on the sponsor's role.

Select Standing Committee's Report to the House

Once the Committee has completed committee stage consideration of a bill, the Chair will report the bill back to the House during Routine Business throughout the sitting week. There is no motion moved and no question put in relation to the Chair's report.

Bill Reported Complete Without Amendment

If the bill is reported complete **without** amendment, it is listed on Schedule D of the Order Paper under "Report" and is eligible for debate at report stage the next Monday morning Private Members' Time.

Bill Reported Complete With Amendment

If the bill is reported complete **with** amendment, it must be reprinted as a report bill before it can proceed further. A report bill details the amendments made, showing deletions or insertions with strike-through or underlined text as required.

The bill will be listed on Schedule D of the Order Paper under "Report" with the notation "not reprinted." Once the report bill has been printed and distributed, the notation will change to "reprinted." The bill is then eligible to proceed to report stage.

REPORT STAGE

As committee stage for Private Members’ bills takes place in a parliamentary committee with defined membership, debate at report stage provides Members who are not on the Committee the opportunity to make remarks and address amendments arising out of committee stage.

If the Committee has reported the bill “complete **without** amendment” at a previous sitting, it is eligible for report stage at the next Monday morning Private Members’ Time. If the bill has been reported “complete **with** amendment,” it must be reprinted with the amendments before it can be considered further.

When the bill is showing as “printed” (or “reprinted” if the bill has been amended) on Schedule D of the Order Paper under the heading “Report,” it is eligible for report stage.

TIME LIMITS	
Maximum: 15 minutes	
Each Member	3 min



Divisions deferred to 30 minutes prior to daily adjournment



Eligible to be moved when listed on Schedule D under “Report” with the notation “printed” or “reprinted”

Report Stage Debate

The sponsoring Member stands to be recognized by the Chair at the appointed time and moves “that the bill be concurred in at report stage.” The Member then makes their remarks followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate. The sponsoring Member may also close debate.

Putting the Question

If the maximum time limit of 15 minutes has elapsed, or no other Members wish to participate in debate, the Chair will put the question.

If report stage passes, the bill proceeds directly to third reading.

If report stage is negatived, the bill is defeated.

Divisions

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, if a division is requested during report stage, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House. Unless otherwise ordered, the House adjourns at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays; therefore, the division would be held at 6 p.m.

THIRD READING

Third reading of a Private Member’s bill directly follows the adoption of report stage, or when the bill is showing under the heading “Third Reading” on Schedule D of the Order Paper.

TIME LIMITS	
Maximum: 20 minutes	
Mover	5 min
Any other Member	5 min
Mover in reply to close debate	2 min



Divisions deferred to 30 minutes prior to daily adjournment



Eligible to be moved directly following the adoption of report stage or when listed on Schedule D under “Third Reading”

Third Reading Debate

The sponsoring Member stands to be recognized by the Chair at the appointed time and moves third reading of the bill. The Member then may make third reading remarks, followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate. The mover may also make closing remarks.

Debate at third reading, at the discretion of the Chair, is limited to matters contained in the contents of the bill, or new viewpoints arising out of amendments made at committee stage. Third reading debate must not restate remarks made at report stage.

Third Reading Amendments

The three motions in amendment to second reading stage, six months’ hoist, reasoned amendment and referral of the subject matter to a parliamentary committee, may also be applied to third reading.

Putting the Question

If the maximum time limit has elapsed, or no other Members wish to participate in debate, the Chair will put the question.

If third reading passes, the bill is eligible for Royal Assent.

If third reading is negatived, the bill is defeated.

Divisions

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, if a division is requested during third reading stage consideration, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House. Unless otherwise ordered, the House adjourns at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays; therefore, the division would be held at 6 p.m.

SCRIPTS

Introduction and First Reading

The Member having previously provided two days' notice, the bill is listed under the heading "Introduction of Bills" on the Order Paper.

After Introduction of Bills is called, the Member stands to be recognized by the Speaker.

MEMBER: Hon. Speaker, I move that a Bill intituled [state name of bill], of which notice has been given in my name on the Order Paper, be introduced and read a first time now.

The Member may make a two-minute statement explaining the purpose of the bill. The Speaker does not put the question until the Member has concluded.

SPEAKER: Members, the question is first reading of the bill. All those in favour, say, "aye," all those opposed, say "nay."

If the motion passes:

SPEAKER: Member....

MEMBER: Hon. Speaker, I move that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today.

SPEAKER: Members you have heard the question, all those in favour say, "aye," all those opposed, say "nay."

Speaker announces the results.

The Member hands the bill to the Chamber Attendant to deliver to the Table.

The bill is now before the House and takes its place on the Order Paper.

Second Reading

When a Member's name reaches the top of the List of Precedence on Schedule D of the Order Paper, they may move second reading of their Private Member's bill previously introduced and read a first time. The bill must be showing as "printed" under the heading "Second Reading."

MEMBER: I move that Bill (No. M ***) be now read a second time.

The Chair does not put the question, and the Member begins second reading remarks followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate.

When debate has approached 75 minutes, or there are no more Members wishing to participate, the Chair will recognize the sponsoring Member to close debate.

SPEAKER: The Member closes debate. Member....

The Member makes closing second reading remarks.

SPEAKER: The question is second reading of Bill (No. M ***). All those in favour, say "aye," all those opposed, say "nay."

If the motion passes:

SPEAKER: Members, pursuant to Standing Order 84A (1), the bill stands committed to the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Bills.

Notes:

- *If 75 minutes have not elapsed and there are still Members wishing to speak, debate may be adjourned until the next Private Members' Time.*
- *If the Member sponsoring the bill is not present in the Chamber to close debate, the Chair will forthwith put any necessary question to dispose of the main question.*
- *Divisions called during Private Members' Time will be deferred until 30 minutes prior to adjournment of the sitting day.*

Committee Report to The House

When committee stage is complete, the Committee reports the bill to the House during Routine Business throughout the sitting week.

The Committee Chair tables the report from the Committee, which details any amendments passed.

The Speaker recognizes the Member sponsoring the bill.

MEMBER: Hon. Speaker, I rise to present the report of the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Private Members' Bills on Bill (No. M ***). Mr. Speaker, the Committee reports the bill complete with/without amendment.

There is no debate on the presentation of the report, and no question is put.

Report Stage

If the Committee has reported the bill “complete without amendment” it can proceed to report stage at the next opportunity.

If the Committee has reported the bill “complete with amendment,” it must be reprinted with the amendments before it can be considered further.

When the bill is showing as “printed” or “reprinted” on Schedule D of the Order Paper under the heading “Report,” it is eligible for report stage.

CHAIR: Members, the next item on the Order Paper is report stage of Bill (No. M ***) intituled **.

MEMBER: I move that Bill (No. M ***) intituled ** [as amended] be concurred in at report stage.

The Chair does not put the question. The Member may make remarks followed by any other Member wishing to participate in debate (each Member is allotted a maximum of 3 minutes).

When debate has approached 15 minutes, or there are no more Members wishing to participate, the Chair will recognize the sponsoring Member to close debate.

CHAIR: Members, the question is that Bill (No. M ***) be concurred in at report stage. All those in favour, say ‘aye’, all those opposed, say ‘nay’.

If the motion passes, the bill proceeds directly to third reading.

If the motion is negatived, the bill is defeated.

Third Reading

The Bill has passed report stage and is proceeding to third reading.

The Speaker recognizes the sponsoring Member.

MEMBER: Hon. Chair, I move third reading of Bill (No. M ***).

The Member may make third reading remarks followed by any other Members wishing to participate in debate.

When debate has approached 20 minutes, or there are no more Members wishing to participate, the Chair will recognize the sponsoring Member to close debate.

SPEAKER: The Member closes debate. Member....

The Member may make closing third reading remarks.

SPEAKER: The question is third reading of Bill (No. M ***). All those in favour, say “aye,” all those opposed, say, “nay.”

If the motion passes:

SPEAKER: Members, the motion for third reading of Bill (No. *) intituled * is carried and the bill has passed.

Notes:

- *If 20 minutes have not elapsed and there are still Members wishing to speak, debate will be adjourned until the next Private Members’ Time.*
- *If the Member sponsoring the bill is not present in the Chamber to close debate, the Chair will forthwith put any necessary question to dispose of the main question.*
- *Divisions called during Private Members’ Time will be deferred until 30 minutes prior to adjournment of the sitting day.*

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