

shall be kept a secret; but the fact that a nomination has been made, shall not be regarded as a secret after the time has expired, when a motion to reconsider may be made, and it shall be considered a breach of privilege for any Senator to break this rule.

Rule 4. When acting on executive business the chamber shall be cleared of all persons except the Secretary of the Senate, who shall be sworn to keep the secrets of the Senate.

Rule 5. The Legislative proceedings and executive proceedings of the Senate shall be kept in separate books.

Rule 6. Nominations approved or definitely acted upon by the Senate shall not be returned by the Secretary of the Senate to the Governor until the expiration of the time limited for making a motion to reconsider the same, or while a motion to reconsider is pending, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

Rule 7. No transcript of the executive records shall be furnished unless by special order of the Senate.

Rule 8. All confidential communications made by the Governor shall be by the members and officers of the Senate kept secret.

Rule 9. Communications from the Governor as to the suspension or removal of officers shall be considered in executive session, and, unless otherwise ordered, shall lay over for action to the executive session next succeeding that at which they are laid before the Senate.

JOINT RULES.

Rule 1. While bills are on their passage between the two houses, they shall be on paper and under the signature of the Secretary or Clerk of each house respectively.

Rule 2. After a bill shall have passed both houses it shall be duly enrolled on parchment by the Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives or Enrolling Secretary of the Senate, as the bill may have originated in the one or the other house, before it shall be presented to the Governor of the State.

Rule 3. When bills are enrolled they shall be examined by the Standing Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives on Enrolled Bills, acting conjointly, who shall carefully compare the enrollment with the engrossed

bills as passed by the two houses, and, correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled bills, make their report forthwith to their respective houses.

Rule 4. After examination and report, each bill shall be signed in the respective houses, first by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, then by the President of the Senate.

Rule 5. After a bill shall have been thus signed in each house, it shall be presented by the said committee to the Governor of the State for his approbation, it being first endorsed on the back of the roll, certifying in which house the same originated, which endorsement shall be signed by the Secretary or Clerk, as the case may be, of the house in which it did originate, entered on the Journal of each house. The said committee shall report the day of presentation to the Governor, which time shall also be carefully entered on the Journal of each house.

Rule 6. All orders, resolutions and votes which are to be presented to the Governor of the State for his approbation shall also in the same manner be previously enrolled, examined and signed, and shall be presented in the same manner and by the same committee as provided in cases of bills.

Rule 7. Before being put upon its passage, every resolution, in either house, to which the concurrence of the other may be necessary (except on a question of adjournment) shall receive two readings, which (unless two-thirds of the members present decide otherwise) shall be upon two different days; and the clerk upon proceeding thereto shall give notice whether the same be the first or second of such readings; and all such resolutions upon their passage shall be certified, of course, and without the necessity of any motion or vote to that effect, by the Clerk or Secretary respectively of the house so passing said resolution to the other.

Rule 8. Joint resolutions shall, prior to their passage, receive three readings, which (unless two-thirds of the members present shall decide otherwise) shall be upon three different days; and the clerk, upon proceeding thereto, shall give notice whether the same be the first, second or third readings; and upon their passage, such resolutions shall be certified by the house so passing the same to the other in like manner to that prescribed in joint rule number seven for concurrent resolutions.