

giving the Appropriations Committee the jurisdiction over all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to "appropriations of the revenue for the support of the government."²

After the expiration of the Morning Hour and during debate, or consideration of the unfinished business, private bills may be introduced by delivering them in the absence of objection to the Presiding Officer's desk, and, with the approval of the Presiding Officer, shall be entered in the *Journal* and *Record* and appropriately referred.³

Pursuant to the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (now Rule XIV, paragraph 10) on February 5, 1947, the Chair in his ruling in effect held out of order the introduction of a private bill which would provide for the correction of military or naval records.⁴

PRIVILEGED BUSINESS

See also "Displacement of Pending or Unfinished Business," pp. 664-669; "Nonprivileged Business," pp. 953-954.

For various types of privileged business or privileged matters, *see* the following subjects:

- Adjournment Resolution.
- Amendments Between Houses.
- Campaign Expenditures.
- Censure Resolutions.
- Closed Sessions.
- Cloture Petitions.
- Committee Appointments.
- Communications to Congress.
- Concurrent Resolutions.
- Conference Reports, and Their Consideration.
- Congressional Record*, Correction of.
- Contempt Citations.
- Contested Election Cases or Reports (*see* "Credentials and Oath of Office").
- Correction of *Journal*.

² Rule XXV.

³ Rule VII, par. 6; July 25, 1914, 63-2, *Record*, pp. 12725-26; *see also* Jan. 19, 1938, 75-3, *Record*, p. 752; Dec. 6, 1927, 70-1, *Record*, p. 109.

⁴ Feb. 5 and 7, 1947, 80-1, *Record*, p. 905.

Credentials of Senators (*see* "Credentials and Oath of Office").

Enrolled Bills, Correction of.

Executive Business and Executive Sessions.

Joint Sessions.

Journal

Messages from the House.

Messages from the President.

Personal Privilege.

President pro tempore, Election of.

Recess.

Reconsideration, Entering of Motion.

Reorganization Plans.

Request for Return of Papers for Reconsideration.

Veto.

Witnesses, Released by Sergeant at Arms.

Witnesses, Resolutions of Arrest.

When a privileged matter is pending before the Senate for disposition, it is subject to any of the motions specified in Rule XXII.¹

Privileged business or resolutions introduced in the Senate under Senate precedents do not have to lie over a day before consideration.²

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The consideration of privileged business or privileged matters, including a conference report, which is privileged, does not displace the unfinished business or pend-

¹ Apr. 9 and 10, 1890, 51-1, *Record*, pp. 3201, 3228.

² June 17, 1954, 83-2, *Journal*, p. 382; Dec. 1, 1930, 71-3, *Journal*, p. 5; Dec. 5, 1929, 71-2, *Journal*, p. 26, *Record*, p. 128; July 9, 1954, 83-2, *Record*, p. 10163; Aug. 19, 1949, 81-1, *Record*, p. 11844; July 21, 1939, 76-1, *Record*, p. 9671; Mar. 31, 1939, 76-1, *Record*, p. 3611; Mar. 1, 1929, 70-2, *Journal*, p. 255, *Record*, p. 4881; Dec. 19, 1928, 70-2, *Journal*, p. 51, *Record*, p. 863; Feb. 25, 1927, 69-2, *Journal*, p. 221, *Record*, p. 4766; Mar. 19, 1920, 66-2, *Record*, p. 4600; Apr. 7, 1913, 63-1, *Record*, pp. 57-61; Feb. 18 and 20, 1905, 58-3, *Record*, pp. 2812-16, 2895; *see also* July 12, 1937, 75-1, *Record*, p. 7031; Aug. 8, 17, and 18, 1921, 67-1, *Journal*, pp. 223, 237-38, *Record*, pp. 4742, 5093, 5149-51; Feb. 20, 1929, 70-2, *Record*, pp. 3831-32.

³ May 12, 1981, 97-1, *Record*, p. 9455.

ing business,⁴ but merely suspends its consideration until the privileged business is disposed of.⁵

The status of unfinished business is not changed by the adoption of a motion to take up a conference report.⁶ When brought up before the end of the Morning Hour, it suspends the unfinished business until the conference report is disposed of.⁷

The adoption of a motion to consider or the consideration of privileged business does not affect the status of the unfinished business or the pending business.⁸

A privileged matter under consideration in the Senate may be displaced by another privileged matter by a majority vote;⁹ likewise, a privileged matter may be displaced by a majority vote to proceed to the consideration of a non-privileged matter.¹⁰ A motion to proceed to the consideration of a bill is not displaced by an executive session or the transaction of privileged business or business transacted by unanimous consent.¹¹

It is not in order, upon the request of a Senator, to lay before the Senate a resolution as a privileged matter; a motion is necessary to proceed to its consideration.¹²

A resolution authorizing the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, after a recusant witness was taken into custody, to release him upon the furnishing of bond,¹³ or a resolution instructing the Secretary of the Senate to return to the President a treaty to which the Senate had failed to advise and consent is privileged in character and does not have to lie over a legislative day under the rule.¹⁴ The

⁴ Feb. 25, 1927, 69-2, *Journal*, p. 221, *Record*, p. 4766; Mar. 1, 1929, 70-2, *Journal*, p. 255, *Record*, p. 4881; Aug. 19, 1949, 81-1, *Record*, p. 11844; May 31, 1934, 73-2, *Record*, p. 10110; Dec. 17, 1930, 71-3, *Record*, p. 937; Mar. 3, 1927, 69-2, *Journal*, pp. 268-69, *Record*, pp. 5513-19, 5531; Feb. 25, 1927, 69-2, *Record*, p. 4766; July 23, 1917, 65-1, *Record*, p. 5381; see also Dec. 13, 1945, 79-1, *Record*, pp. 11939-40; Feb. 4, 1897, 54-2, *Record*, p. 1518; Aug. 8, 17, and 18, 1921, 67-1, *Journal*, pp. 223, 237-38, *Record*, pp. 4742, 5093, 5149-51; Feb. 20, 1920, 70-2, *Record*, pp. 3831-32; Mar. 4, 1927, 69-2, *Record*, p. 5896; July 8, 1937, 75-1, *Journal*, p. 404; May 24, 1928, 70-1, *Journal*, p. 533; see also "Reconsideration," footnote 62.

⁵ *Ibid.*; June 22, 1940, 76-3, *Record*, p. 8925; May 30, 1940, 76-3, *Record*, p. 7197; see also Jan. 28, 1938, 75-3, *Record*, p. 1197.

⁶ See June 5, 1924, 68-1, *Record*, p. 10650.

⁷ Feb. 12, 1917, 64-2, *Record*, p. 3068.

⁸ Feb. 25, 1927, 69-2, *Record*, p. 4766; see also June 11, 1929, 71-1, *Journal*, p. 107, *Record*, pp. 2666-67; June 5, 1924, 68-1, *Record*, p. 10650.

⁹ Dec. 5, 1929, 71-2, *Journal*, p. 26, *Record*, p. 128.

¹⁰ May 12, 1981, 97-1, *Record*, p. 9455; Jan. 6, 1932, 72-1, *Journal*, p. 126, *Record*, pp. 1369-72.

¹¹ Feb. 28, 1925, 68-2, *Record*, p. 5010; Mar. 2, 1925, 68-2, *Journal*, pp. 269-70, *Record*, pp. 5090-92, 5112.

¹² May 2, 1900, 56-1, *Record*, p. 4961.

¹³ June 11, 1929, 71-1, *Journal*, p. 107, *Record*, pp. 2666-67.

¹⁴ Mar. 19, 1920, 66-2, *Record*, p. 4600.

consideration of such a resolution will not affect the status of the unfinished business.¹⁵

A report of a special committee of the Senate appointed to investigate newspaper charges that improper methods had been used to influence the action of the Senate in the consideration of the sugar schedule of the Tariff Act of 1894 was held to be a privileged matter.¹⁶

PRO FORMA SESSIONS

See "Brief Sessions of the Senate," p. 251; "Periods of Adjournment," pp. 15-16, 20.

QUESTIONS OF ORDER

See "Points of Order," pp. 987-996; "Points of Order, Debate of," pp. 765-766.

¹⁵ June 11, 1929, 71-1, *Journal*, p. 107, *Record*, pp. 2666-67.

¹⁶ May 17, 29, 1894, 53-2, *Journal*, pp. 197, 214-16, *Record*, pp. 4848-51, 5450-69.