RULE XIII

PEDDLING, BEGGING, ETC.

Peddling, begging, and the solicitation of book or other subscriptions are strictly forbidden in the Senate wing of the Capitol, and no portion of said wing shall be occupied by signs or other devices for advertising any article whatsoever excepting timetables in the Post Office and such signs as may be necessary to designate the entrances to the Senate Restaurant.

RULE XIV

SWEEPING, CLEANING

All sweeping, cleaning, and dusting of the Senate wing of the Capitol shall be done, as far as practicable, immediately after the adjournment of each day’s session of the Senate, and must, in any event, be completed before 8 o’clock a.m.

RULE XV

LEGISLATIVE BUZZERS AND SIGNAL LIGHTS

Effective May 15, 1981, the system of legislative buzzers and signal lights shall be as follows:

Pre-session signals: One long ring at hour of convening. One red light to remain lighted at all times while Senate is in actual session.

Session signals: One ring—Yeas and nays. Two rings—quorum call. Three rings—Call of absentees. Four rings—Adjournment or recess. (End of daily session.) Five rings—Seven and a half minutes remaining on yea and nay vote. Six rings—Morning business concluded. (Six rings with corresponding lights. Lights cut off immediately.) Recess during daily session. (Six rings with corresponding lights. Lights stay on during period of recess.)

Effective July 13, 1967, the legislative call system shall be used for alerting Members of Congress, Congressional
employees, and visitors of enemy attack or other major disaster conditions. There will be two signals:

1. Attack warning.—Notification to all occupants that the United States is under attack and that there is real danger of loss of life. This warning would be given by a sequence of two-second sounds of the legislative bells separated by two-second silent intervals. This signal would be repeated for 3 to 5 minutes.

2. Attention signal.—Notification of peacetime disasters, such as accidental presence of radioactive materials or severe weather or natural disaster conditions. This signal would be given by a series of 16-second bell sounds separately by 16-second silent intervals, repeated for 3 to 5 minutes.

(Where lights exist they will correspond with rings.)

RULE XVI

SENATE OFFICE BUILDING AND OTHER SENATE BUILDINGS

All provisions of the foregoing rules so far as practicable are made applicable to the Senate Office Buildings, the buildings used for the storage of Senate documents, and the Senate garage.

RULE XVII

USE OF DISPLAY MATERIALS IN THE SENATE CHAMBER

Graphic displays in the Senate Chamber are limited to the following:

Charts, photographs, or renderings:
Size—No larger than 36 inches by 48 inches.
Where—On an easel stand next to the Senator’s desk or at the rear of the Chamber.
When—Only at the time the Senator is engaged in debate.
Number—No more than two may be displayed at a time.

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1See Senate Manual sections 79.8, 79.9.