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PROVISION FOR EMERGENCY AUTHORITY RELATING TO 
SENATE ADJOURNMENTS AND RECESSES

Resolved, That the presiding officer of the Senate may 
suspend any proceeding of the Senate, including a rollcall 
vote or a quorum call, and declare a recess or adjournment 
of the Senate subject to existing authorities or subject to 
the call of the Chair, within the limits of article I, section 
5, clause 4, of the Constitution, whenever the presiding 
officer has been notified of an imminent threat.

Sec. 2. When the Senate is out of session, the majority 
and minority leaders, or their designees, may, acting jointly 
and within the limits of article I, section 5, clause 4, of 
the Constitution, modify any order for the time or place 
of the convening of the Senate when, in their opinion, such 
action is warranted by intervening circumstances.


AUTHORIZING REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE USE OF 
OFFICIAL EQUIPMENT

Resolved, That (a) the Committee on Rules and Adminis-
tration of the Senate may issue regulations to authorize 
a Senator or officer or employee of the Senate to use official 
equipment for purposes incidental to the conduct of their 
oficial duties.

(b) Any use under subsection (a) shall be subject to such 
terms and conditions as set forth in the regulations.


VOTES SHALL BE CAST FROM ASSIGNED DESK

Resolved, That it is a standing order of the Senate that 
during yea and nay votes in the Senate, each Senator shall 
vote from the assigned desk of the Senator.

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