

TITLE II.—COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS; CHAIRMANSHIPS **83.3**

SEC. 201. * * *

(f) It is the sense of the Senate that, in adopting rules, each committee of the Senate should include a provision to insure that assignment of Senators to subcommittees will occur in an equitable fashion; namely, that no member of a committee will receive assignment to a second subcommittee until, in order of seniority, all members of the committee have chosen assignments to one subcommittee, and no member shall receive assignment to a third subcommittee until, in order of seniority, all members have chosen assignments to two subcommittees.

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TITLE IV.—SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS **83.4**

SEC. 401. (a) In consultation with the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader, the Committee on Rules and Administration shall establish and maintain a computerized schedule of all meetings of committees of the Senate and subcommittees thereof, and of all meetings of joint committees of the Congress and subcommittees thereof. Such schedule shall be maintained online to terminals in the offices of all Senators, committees of the Senate, and permanent joint committees of the Congress, and shall be updated immediately upon receipt of notices of meetings or cancellations thereof under this section.

(b) Each committee of the Senate, and each subcommittee thereof, shall notify the office designated by the Committee on Rules and Administration of each meeting of such committee or subcommittee, including the time period or periods (as prescribed in paragraph 6 of rule XXVI¹ of the Standing Rules of the Senate), the place, and the purpose of such meeting. The Senate members of any joint committee of the Congress or of a subcommittee thereof shall cause notice to be given to the office designated by the Committee on Rules and Administration of each meeting of such joint committee or subcommittee, including the time, place, and purposes of such meeting. Notice under this subsection shall be given immediately upon scheduling a meeting.

(c) Each committee of the Senate, and each subcommittee thereof, shall notify the office designated by the Committee

¹ Changed from "paragraph 9 of rule XXV" as a result of the adoption of S. Res. 274, 96-1, Nov. 14, 1979.

on Rules and Administration immediately upon the cancellation of a meeting of such committee or subcommittee. The Senate members of any joint committee of the Congress or any subcommittee thereof shall cause notice to be given to the office designated by the Committee on Rules and Administration immediately upon the cancellation of a meeting of such joint committee or subcommittee.

(d) For purposes of this section, the term "joint committee of the Congress" includes a committee of conference.

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83.5 TITLE V.—CONTINUING REVIEW OF THE COMMITTEE SYSTEM

SEC. 501. (a) The Committee on Rules and Administration, in consultation with the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader, shall review, on a continuing basis, the committee system of the Senate and the Standing Rules and other rules of the Senate related thereto.

(b) During the second regular session of each Congress, the Committee on Rules and Administration shall submit to the Senate a report of the results of its review under subsection (a) during that Congress. Such report shall include its recommendations (if any) for changes in the committee system of the Senate and the Standing Rules and other rules of the Senate related thereto. The Committee on Rules and Administration may submit, from time to time, such other reports and recommendations with respect to such committee system and rules as it deems appropriate.

(c) The Committee on Rules and Administration, the Majority Leader, and the Minority Leader may request the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority to provide assistance in carrying out their duties and responsibilities under this section.

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[S. Res. 4, 95-1, Feb. 4, 1977.]

84 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 4. The Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, on behalf of the Senate, may accept a gift if the gift does not involve any duty, burden, or condition, or is not made dependent upon some future performance by the United States Senate. The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to promulgate regulations to carry out this section.

[S. Res. 158, 104-1, July 28, 1995.]