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NONSTATUTORY STANDING ORDERS NOT EMBRACED IN THE RULES, AND RESOLUTIONS AFFECTING THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

PROVISION FOR EMERGENCY AUTHORITY RELATING TO SENATE ADJOURNMENTS AND RECESSES 60

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.

[S. Res. 296, 108–2, Feb. 3, 2004.]

AUTHORIZING REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE USE OF OFFICIAL EQUIPMENT 61

Resolved, That (a) the Committee on Rules and Administration 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 official duties.

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

[S. Res. 238, 108–1, Oct. 2, 2003.]

VOTES SHALL BE CAST FROM ASSIGNED DESK 62

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.

[S. Res. 480, 98–2, Oct. 11, 1984.]

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63 TO PERMIT AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WITH ACCESS TO THE SENATE FLOOR TO BRING NECESSARY SUPPORTING AIDS AND SERVICES

Resolved, That an individual with a disability who has or is granted the privilege of the Senate floor under rule XXIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate may bring necessary supporting aids and services (including service dogs, wheelchairs, and interpreters) on the Senate floor, unless the Senate Sergeant at Arms determines that the use of such supporting aids and services would place a significant difficulty or expense on the operations of the Senate in accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 4 of the Rules for Regulation of the Senate Wing of the United States Capitol.

[S. Res. 110, 105–1, July 31, 1977.]

64 FLOWERS IN THE SENATE CHAMBER

Resolved, That until further orders the Sergeant at Arms is instructed not to permit flowers to be brought into the Senate Chamber. [S. Jour. 261, 58–3, Feb. 24, 1905.]

Resolved, That notwithstanding the resolution of the Senate of February 24, 1905, upon the death of a sitting Senator, the majority leader and the minority leader may permit a display of flowers to be placed upon the desk of the deceased Senator on the day set aside for eulogies.

[S. Res. 221, 98–1, Sept. 15, 1983.]

65 READING OF WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Ordered, That, unless otherwise directed, on the twenty-second day of February in each year, or if that day shall be on Sunday, then on the day following, immediately after the reading of the Journal, Washington's Farewell Address shall be read to the Senate by a Senator to be designated for the purpose by the Presiding Officer; and that thereafter the Senate will proceed with its ordinary business.

[S. Jour. 103, 56–2, Jan. 24, 1901.]

66 DESIGNATION OF THE "DANIEL WEBSTER DESK"

Resolved, That during the Ninety-fourth Congress and each Congress thereafter, the desk located within the Senate Chamber and commonly referred to as the "Daniel Webster Desk" shall, at the request of the senior Senator from the State of New Hampshire, be assigned to such Senator for use in carrying out his or her Senatorial duties during that Senator's term of office.

[S. Res. 469, 93–2, Dec. 19, 1974.]

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