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85 AUTHORIZING SUIT BY SENATE COMMITTEES

Resolved, That hereafter any committee of the Senate is hereby authorized to bring suit on behalf of and in the name of the United States in any court of competent jurisdiction if the committee is of the opinion that the suit is necessary to the adequate performance of the powers vested in it or the duties imposed upon it by the Constitution, resolution of the Senate, or other law. Such suit may be brought and prosecuted to final determination irrespective of whether or not the Senate is in session at the time the suit is brought or thereafter. The committee may be represented in the suit either by such attorneys as it may designate or by such officers of the Department of Justice as the Attorney General may designate upon the request of the committee. No expenditures shall be made in connection with any such suit in excess of the amount of funds available to the said committee. As used in this resolution, the term "committee" means any standing or special committee of the Senate, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, or the Senate members of any joint committee.

[S. Jour. 572, 70–1, May 28, 1928.]

90 SPECIAL DEPUTIES

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate is authorized and empowered from time to time to appoint such special deputies as he may think necessary to serve process or perform other duties devolved upon the Sergeant at Arms by law or the rules or orders of the Senate, or which may hereafter be devolved upon him, and in such case they shall be officers of the Senate; and any act done or return made by the deputies so appointed shall have like effect and be of the same validity as if performed or made by the Sergeant at Arms in person.

[S. Jour. 47, 51–1, Dec. 17, 1889.]

91 OFFICE OF DEPUTY PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Resolved, That, effective January 5, 1977, there is hereby established in the United States Senate the Office of Deputy President Pro Tempore.

SEC. 2. Any Member of the Senate who has held the Office of President of the United States or Vice President of the United States shall be a Deputy President pro tempore.

SEC. 3. [Superseded.]

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