

to exceed 1 hour, equally divided in the usual form. Any amendment offered under paragraph (1) that is ruled non-germane on a point of order shall not fall upon that ruling, but instead shall remain pending and shall require 60 votes in the affirmative to be agreed to.

(b) Sunset—This section shall expire on the day after the date of the sine die adjournment of the 113th Congress.

SEC. 2. Consideration of Nominations.

(a) In General—

(1) POST-CLOTURE CONSIDERATION—If cloture is invoked in accordance with rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate on a nomination described in paragraph (2), there shall be no more than 8 hours of post-cloture consideration equally divided in the usual form.

(2) NOMINATIONS COVERED—A nomination described in this paragraph is any nomination except for the nomination of an individual—

(A) to a position at level I of the Executive Schedule under section 5312 of title 5, United States Code; or

(B) to serve as a judge or justice appointed to hold office during good behavior.

(b) Special Rule for District Court Nominees—If cloture is invoked in accordance with rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate on a nomination of an individual to serve as a judge of a district court of the United States, there shall be no more than 2 hours of post-cloture consideration equally divided in the usual form.

(c) Sunset—This section shall expire on the day after the date of the sine die adjournment of the 113th Congress.

[S. Res. 15, 113–1, January 24, 2013]

*Resolved*, That for the purpose of obtaining and laying factual data and information before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, or any subcommittee thereof, for its consideration in the discharge of its functions, the chairman or acting chairman of said committee is hereby authorized and directed, within the limit of funds made available by resolutions of the Senate, to appoint and employ such ex-

perts as he may deem necessary to obtain such data and information, and such experts, upon the written authority of the chairman or acting chairman, shall have the right to examine the books, documents, papers, reports, or other records of any department, agency, or establishment of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; be it further

*Resolved*, That the said committee through its chairman is hereby authorized, within the limit of funds made available by resolutions of the Senate, to appoint additional clerical help and assistants.

[S. Res. 193, 78-1, Oct. 14, 1943; S. Res. 281, 96-2, Mar. 11, 1980.]

CONSULTANTS FOR THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS 76

*Resolved*, That within the limit of funds appropriated for expenses of inquiries and investigations for the Committee on Appropriations, the committee may expend such sums as it deems appropriate and necessary for the procurement of the services of individual consultants or organizations. Such services in the case of individuals or organizations may be procured by contract as independent contractors, or in the case of individuals by employment at daily rates of compensation not in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of compensation which may be paid to a regular employee of the committee. Such contracts may be made in the same manner and subject to the same conditions with respect to advertising as required of other standing committees of the Senate under section 202(i)(2) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended.

[S. Res. 140, 94-1, May 14, 1975.]

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS 77

*Resolved*, That (a) there is hereby established a permanent select committee of the Senate to be known as the Select Committee on Ethics (referred to hereinafter as the "Select Committee") consisting of six Members of the Senate, of whom three shall be selected from members of the majority party and three shall be selected from members of the minority party. Members thereof shall be appointed by the Senate in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of rule XXIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate at the beginning of each Congress. The Select Committee shall select a chairman or a vice chairman from among