

2023RD ASSEMBLY
1ST SESSION

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IN THE

House of Commons

JANUARY 6TH - THE GENTLEMEN, LEO CAVINDER,
SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION FOR
CONSIDERATION; WHICH WAS HELD AT THE DESK.

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO

Make a conforming change to the Rules of the House and
to add three Rules dealing with questions of privilege,
restrictions on certain bills, and establish a code of official
conduct.

TABLE OF PROVISIONS.

SECTION 1.	AMENDMENT.
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B **E IT ENACTED** *by this House of Commons with the advice and consent of the same, as follows:*

1 **SECTION 1. Amendment.**

2 In Rule II, Clause 1, strike “United States” and insert
3 “House.”

4 **SECTION 2. Questions of privilege.**

5 Add the following as a Rule to the House:

6 “1. Questions of privilege shall be, first, those affecting
7 the rights of the House collectively, its safety, dignity, and
8 the integrity of its proceedings; and second, those
9 affecting the rights, reputation, and conduct of Members,
10 individually, in their respective capacity only.

11 2. (a)(1) A resolution reported as a question of the
12 privileges of the House, or offered from the floor by the
13 Speaker as a question of the privileges of the House shall
14 have precedence of all other questions except motions to
15 adjourn. A resolution offered from the floor by a Member
16 other than the Speaker as a question of the privileges of
17 the House shall have precedence of all other questions
18 except motions to adjourn only at a time or place,
19 designated by the Speaker, in the legislative schedule
20 within two legislative days after the day on which the
21 proponent announces to the House an intention to offer
22 the resolution and the form of the resolution. Oral
23 announcement of the form of the resolution may be
24 dispensed with by unanimous consent.

25 (2) The time allotted for debate on a resolution offered
26 from the floor as a question of the privileges of the House
27 shall be equally divided between (A) the proponent of the
28 resolution, and (B) the opponent of the resolution.

29 (3) A resolution causing a vacancy in the Office of Speaker
30 shall not be privileged except if supported by one (1) other
31 Member.

32 (b) A question of personal privilege shall have precedence
33 of all other questions except motions to adjourn.”

34 **SECTION 3. Restrictions on certain bills.**

35 Add the following as a Rule of the House:

36 *“Reservation of Certain Points of Order*

37 1. At the time of a general appropriation bill is reported,
38 all points of order against provisions therein shall be
39 considered as reserved.

40 *Taxation Measures*

41 2. Any measures that relate to taxation must—

42 (1) not be passed via a motion to suspend the rules and
43 pass;

44 (2) be reported out of committee; and

45 (3) must have seventy-two (72) hours period between the
46 period of being reported out of committee to debate on the
47 House floor.”

48 **SECTION 4. Code of official conduct.**

49 Add the following as a Rule of the House:

50 “There is hereby established by and for the House the
51 following code of conduct, to be known as the “Code of
52 Official Conduct”:

53 1. A Member shall behave at all times in a manner that
54 shall reflect creditably on the House.

55 2. Before a Member may have access to classified
56 information, the following oath shall be executed:

57 “I do solemnly swear that I will not disclose any classified
58 information received in the course of my service with the
59 House of Commons, except as authorized by the House of
60 Commons of in accordance with its Rules.”

61 Copies of the executed oath shall be retained as Records
62 of the House.”

Speaker of the House Assent