

ON BILLS.

Bills shall be read three times.

48TH. Every bill shall receive three several readings in the House, previous to its passage; and all bills shall be dispatched in order as they may be introduced, unless where the House shall direct otherwise; but no bill shall be read twice on the same day, without special order of the House.

Bills to be referred to standing or select committees.

49TH. All bills, whether introduced in the House, or communicated by message from the Council, shall, after their first reading, be referred to a standing or select committee, to consider and report thereupon. Such committee may report any bill either with or without amendments, or they may report against the same. All bills favorably reported shall be committed to the Committee of the Whole, unless otherwise ordered by the House; but when a bill has been reported adversely, and such report shall be agreed to by the House, it shall not go upon the general orders, but shall be considered as rejected.

Referred to Committee of the Whole.

The title shall express the subject.

50TH. The title of all bills introduced, shall state concisely the subject matter of such bills.