Morning Hour has no effect on the status of the unfinished business. The Chair has laid the unfinished business before the Senate at the close of morning business, even though the Morning Hour had not yet expired, when the Senate convened on a new legislative day, pursuant to an order that limited the time for morning business to twenty minutes, waived the call of the calendar and barred resolutions and motions from coming over, under the rule. For details, see “Unfinished Business,” pp. 1370-1380.

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**MOTIONS**

*See under various subjects for detail on types and characteristics of motions.*

**Adoption of by Majority Vote:**

*See “Voting,” pp. 1397-1437.*

**Loses Floor When Vote on:**

If a motion is put to a vote the mover loses the floor, and it is then the duty of the Presiding Officer to recognize the Senator who first rises and addresses him.¹

**Motions, Coupling of:**

A motion to consider a bill and as a part of the motion to refer it to a committee is not in order.²

**Motions in Order:**

*See under subject matter.*

**Motions Not in Order:**

*See under subject matter.*

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¹ See May 1, 1928, 76-1, Record, p. 7305.
Out of Order:

A motion to set a time certain for a vote on a resolution is not in order.\(^3\)

A motion directing the Chair to put to the Senate without further debate the consideration of a resolution to change the rules under his constitutional right to get a vote on changing the rules at the opening of a new Congress is not in order.\(^4\)

When such a motion is made, it is in order to make a point of order against such a motion, and a point of order having been made, the Chair has the authority to submit the question to the Senate, “Shall the point of order made by said Senator be sustained?” \(^5\)

It is not in order in the Senate to move a question.\(^6\)

There is no motion under the Senate’s rules, procedures or practices to adopt a pending amendment, or to move the adoption of a resolution or to move passage of a bill.\(^7\)

Likewise, it is not in order to move the adoption of a conference report. When no Senator seeks recognition to debate a conference report, the Chair will put the question on its adoption.\(^8\)

Points of Order Against:

See under “Points of Order,” “Table,” p. 992.

Precedence of:

See Rule XXII, paragraph 1.

Recognition To Offer a Motion:

See also “Recognition,” pp. 1091–1105.

A Senator must first be recognized by the Chair in order to offer a motion.\(^9\)

A Senator must stand and address the Chair if that Senator wishes to make a motion, and such Senator must

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\(^4\) Jan. 18, 1967, 90–1, Record, pp. 915, 940.

\(^5\) Ibid.

\(^6\) July 22, 1983, 98–1, Record, p. 20522.

\(^7\) July 29, 1986, 99–2, Record, p. 17904.

\(^8\) Aug. 19, 1982, 97–2, Record, p. 22544.

\(^9\) Apr. 15, 1939, 53—Special Session, Record, p. 189; June 7, 1924, 68–1, Record, p. 11151; May 24, 1929, 71–1, Journal, p. 78, Record, p. 1864; June 17, 1965, 89–1, Record, p. 14053.
do so before the Chair takes an action rendering such motion untimely.\textsuperscript{10}

It is not in order for one Senator when another has the floor to make a motion to lay a pending motion on the table.\textsuperscript{11} Such a motion is not in order when another Senator has a right to the floor.\textsuperscript{12}

Reduced to Writing:

On a point of order, any Senator submitting a motion or amendment would have to reduce it to writing;\textsuperscript{13} thus any motion in the Senate must be submitted in writing upon the request of any Senator.\textsuperscript{14}

An oral motion shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the Presiding Officer or by any Senator,\textsuperscript{15} and a motion taken down by the official reporters and printed in the *Record* was held not to meet the requirement of the rule.\textsuperscript{16}

Unanimous Consent Procedure, Effect on;

*See* "Unanimous Consent Agreements," pp. 1311–1369.

Withdrawal of:


A Senator may withdraw a motion he offers until the Senate takes some action thereon. For details see under subject matter sought.

**MOTIONS TO RECALL PAPERS**


\textsuperscript{11} Sept. 18, 1974, 63-2, *Record*, p. 13258.

\textsuperscript{12} July 24, 1886, 49-1, *Record*, p. 7457.


\textsuperscript{16} *Ibid.*
NEW LEGISLATIVE DAY


NEW SESSION, BUSINESS DELAYED