

mous consent was being considered under controlled debate, and was to be voted on at a time certain. The time so used was subtracted equally from the two Senators controlling the time for debate.²⁹⁶ On another occasion, the Chair informed the two leaders that they could use their leader time (which had been reserved) pending the vote of the Senate on the nondebatable question of the germaneness of an amendment to a general appropriation bill.²⁹⁷

Leaders—Preferential Recognition:

See also “Leaders—Preferential Recognition,” pp. 1098–1099.

When the manager of a measure seeks recognition at the same time as another Senator (other than one of the leaders) the Chair should recognize the manager.²⁹⁸ The Majority Leader may designate the manager of a matter under consideration on the floor, and the leaders and managers of a bill are accorded preferential recognition over other Senators if recognition is sought simultaneously. Otherwise, the Chair will recognize the Senator who first came to the attention of the Chair.²⁹⁹

Under the precedents, a Senator in the leadership position is given preferential recognition by the Chair if he seeks the floor at the same time as another Senator.³⁰⁰ When the Majority Leader yields to another Senator for a question during his standing order, the time consumed by that other Senator is charged against the time of the leader under that order.³⁰¹

Lean on Desk in Debate:

There is nothing in the rules or precedents prohibiting a Senator from leaning on his desk while speaking. “The Senator is merely required to stand.”³⁰²

Leave for Committee To Sit:

See “Debatable Matters,” pp. 735–737.

²⁹⁶ *See* May 2, 1989, 101-1, *Record*, pp. S 4569, 4579–85.

²⁹⁷ *See* Apr. 27, 1990, 101-2, *Record*, pp. S 5173, 5175.

²⁹⁸ Mar. 14, 1983, 98-1, *Record*, p. 5117. Also *see Record*, pp. 4408, 4482–83.

²⁹⁹ Aug. 18, 1982, 97-2, *Record*, p. 21835.

³⁰⁰ Aug. 19, 1980, 96-2, *Record*, p. 21899.

³⁰¹ June 26, 1986, 99-2, *Record*, p. 15774.

³⁰² June 20, 1947, 80-1, *Record*, p. 7434.