

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

XLVII.

The House shall be resolved into a Standing Committee of the Whole on the condition of the State, if required by seven Members; which Committee may originate Bills or Resolutions. Bills on their third reading, and all other matters on their second reading, shall, if required by five Members, be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

XLVIII.

In forming a Committee of the Whole House, the Speaker shall leave his Chair, and a Chairman to preside in Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker.

XLIX.

Upon Bills, Resolutions, Reports, Orders, or other matters committed to a Committee of the Whole House, the same shall be first read throughout by the Clerk, and then again read and debated by clauses, leaving the title and preamble to be last considered. The body of the Bill, Resolution, Report, Order, or other matter, shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the Clerk on a separate paper, as the same shall be agreed to by the Committee, and so report to the House. After report, the Bill, Resolution, Report, Order, or other matter, shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses.

L.

The Rules of Proceedings in the House shall be observed in a Committee of the Whole House, as far as applicable.

LI.

No Standing Rule or Order shall be rescinded or changed without one day's notice being giving of the motion therefor. Nor shall any Rule be suspended, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the Members present.