

CHAPTER XXIII
AMENDMENT OF RULES

246. Notice of proposal to amend rules.- (1) Not less than fifteen clear days' notice of a motion for leave to amend the rules shall be given, unless the Speaker waives this notice period and allows the motion to be moved at a shorter notice and the notice shall be accompanied by a draft of the amendment proposed.

(2) The motion shall be set down for such day as the Speaker may direct.

247. Procedure.- When the motion is reached, the Speaker shall read out the draft of the amendment proposed and ask whether the member has leave of the Assembly. If objection is taken, the Speaker shall request those Members who are in favour of leave being granted, to rise in their seats, and if not less than eight Members so rise, the Speaker shall intimate that the Member has the leave of the Assembly. If less than eight Members rise, the Speaker shall inform the Member that he has not the leave of the Assembly.

248. Reference to Committee.- When a Member has the leave of the Assembly to proceed, he shall move that the draft be referred to the Committee on Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules, privileges and implementation of Government Assurances.

249. Subsequent procedure.- After a draft has been referred to the Committee, the procedure in regard to Bills similarly committed, shall be followed, as far as may be, with such variations as the Speaker may consider necessary or convenient.

250. Authentication of amendment made.- When a rule or an amendment to a rule is passed by the Assembly, a copy thereof shall be signed by the Speaker and then it shall come into force at once.