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The President referred the following matter to the committee earlier today:

Development of an order to require that motions to suspend standing orders moved during the time for formal business be put immediately without debate.

The committee has considered the matter and <u>recommends</u> that the following temporary order be adopted immediately and have effect until the last sitting day of this Parliament:

The question on any motion to suspend standing orders moved in the following circumstances shall be put immediately without amendment or debate:

- (a) any motion to suspend standing orders to provide for the consideration of a motion for which formality has been denied
- (b) any other motion to suspend standing orders moved during the consideration of formal business under standing order 66.

Senator Sue Lines Chair