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Appendix B

Diagrams of current and proposed ceremonies

The following pages depict diagrammatically the current and proposed ceremonies for the opening of Parliament.

The first diagram shows the current ceremony, including the three processions made by Members of the House of Representatives. Senators are not involved in the processions.

The second diagram shows the proposed ceremony, including the involvement of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives.

Current Ceremony



- 1 Assembly in Chambers
- 2 Procession of House to Senate

Declaration of opening

Return to House

- 3 Swearing in of Members Election of Speaker
- 4 Procession of House to Members' HallIntroduction to Governor-GeneralReturn to Chamber
- 5 Procession of House to Senate Governor-General's speech

Return to House

6 Formal business (House)

Announcements

Address in Reply

Proposed Ceremony



1 Ceremony in forecourt 2 Procession to Chambers Declaration of opening Swearing in Election of presiding officers 3 Processions to Members' Hall Introduction to Governor-General Procession to Great Hall 4 Governor-General's speech Return to Chambers 5 Formal business (House) Announcements Address in reply Senators Members