

Washington State Senate Committee Room Rules

The public is welcome in Senate Committee Rooms to watch their lawmakers in action and participate in the development of legislation. The legislative rules adopted by the Senate require basic order and decorum, a long standing approach consistent with the important work being performed here. This requirement applies both to elected officials and members of the public. A similar protocol extends to the Senate Galleries.

The Lieutenant Governor is charged with maintaining order and decorum, and his application of Senate Rules prohibits, among other things:

• Signs, banners, placards, or other props that could be construed

as an effort to promote demonstrations;

- Open-carried weapons such as guns, firearms, and blades;
- Audible or visual signals including whistling, calling, chanting, or waving;
- Animals, other than service animals;
- Applause and/or demonstrations;
- Unattended Children.

Additionally, please:

- Turn off your cellular telephones and other personal electronic devices;
- Remove your hat before entering the Senate Committee Room.

Monitored and Enforced by Senate Security Direct any questions to (360) 786-7572