

SECOND REPORT OF THE SPECIAL SENATE COMMITTEE ON SENATE
MODERNIZATION, AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE ON FEBRUARY 15, 2017:

The Special Senate Committee on Senate Modernization has the honour to present its

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Your committee, which was authorized by the Senate on Friday, December 11, 2015, to consider methods to make the Senate more effective within the current constitutional framework, now reports as follows:

In its first report tabled on October 4, 2016, your committee examined the topic of omnibus bills and now recommends the following:

That the Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament develop and propose to the Senate a process for inclusion in the *Rules of the Senate* by which omnibus bills are referred to an appropriate committee to determine whether and how an omnibus bill ought to be divided into several bills, including provisions to ensure that when the Senate refers an omnibus bill to a committee for such a determination, the Government and the House of Commons be informed of such referral and of any determination by a committee to sever an omnibus bill.