

JOINT SESSIONS

Adjournment After Joint Session:

See also "Senate Adjournment After a Joint Session," p. 8.

The Senate by previous order may stand in adjournment after a joint session until the next day.¹

Following a joint meeting of the two Houses in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the Senate, under an order previously adopted, adjourned without returning to its Chamber.²

In the absence of an order to the contrary, the Senators, after a joint meeting of the two Houses, will return to their Chamber for further session until adjournment.³

Privileged Business:

A concurrent resolution of the House of Representatives providing for a joint session of the two Houses for the purpose of receiving a communication from the President of the United States is a question of high privilege and does not have to lie over 1 day under the rule.⁴

Veto Message Delivered in Joint Session:

In 1935, at a joint meeting of the two Houses, the President of the United States returned to the House of Representatives without his approval an act providing for the immediate payment of adjusted service certificates and gave his reasons in person to the two Houses for such action.⁵

¹ May 20, 1934, 73-2, *Journal*, p. 430; Jan. 4, 1939, 76-1, *Journal*, p. 16; Feb. 22, 1932, 72-1, *Journal*, pp. 255, 258, *Record*, p. 4448; July 27, 1948, 80-2, *Record*, p. 9440; Jan. 20, 1949, 81-1, *Record*, p. 479; May 31, 1972, 92-2, *Record*, p. 19340.

² Feb. 22, 1932, 72-1, *Journal*, pp. 255, 258, *Record*, p. 4448.

³ Jan. 4, 1950, 81-2, *Record*, p. 35.

⁴ *See* Apr. 7, 1913, 63-1, *Record*, pp. 57-61.

⁵ May 21 and 22, 1935, 74-1, *Journal*, p. 365, *Record*, pp. 7942, 7993.