

Electoral Incentives and Individual Parliament Members' Rights: Online Appendix

On-Line Appendix

Knesset	Date	Change	Strengthened/Weakened	Conceptual Framework
7th	10/8/71	Increase time allocated for discussion of MK's business and MTA	Strengthened	PMB time Limits
7th	10/8/71	Canceling Limitation on length of answers to MKs' questions	Strengthened	Questions time limits
7th	10/8/71	Limiting the Speaker's right to disapprove an MK's MTA or rejecting its urgency status and giving the MK the right to appeal such a decision	Strengthened	MTA content limits
7th	10/8/71	Allowing MK to ask a defeated MTA moved to a committee for deliberation	Strengthened	MTA technical limits
7th	10/8/71	MK are allowed to abrogate a MTA	Strengthened	MTA technical limits
9th	20/11/79	Recess days will be counted towards the time allotted to ministers to answer MKs' questions	Strengthened	Questions time limits
9th	20/11/79	MKs' speeches in factional debates will last no less no less than 8 minutes	Strengthened	Speeches time limits

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11th	13/11/85	The Speaker and Deputies will not approve a PMB they perceive as racist or as denouncing the existence of the State of Israel as a Jewish state	Weakened	PMB content limits
11th	24/3/86	Lifting the presence condition for a minister to answer an MK's question: despite an MK's absence, the minister will give his answer and if he wishes, he may read it	Strengthened	Questions technical limits
11th	6/7/86	When the government wants to postpone a PMB vote, and the proposer agrees, the Speaker will ask if there is an objection, and if so the Knesset will vote on the proposal to postpone	Neutral	PMB technical limits
11th	17/12/86	Changing the number of weeks on which no debate on MTAs and PMBs occurs from 4 weeks to any week in which the Knesset debates the budget	Weakened	PMB/MTA time limits

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11th	27/7/88	Mandating that the minister who was asked a question give the answer, unless the proposer of the question agrees that another minister will answer, or unless the Speaker thinks there are justifiable circumstances	Strengthened	Questions technical limits
12th	6/6/89	Giving the initiator of a PMB the right to ask the bill does not go back to the committee that prepared it for the preliminary vote	Strengthened	PMB: killing in committee
12th	27/7/89	Decrease MKs' justification time when proposing a MTA from 5 to 1 minute	Weakened	MTA time limits
12th	27/7/89	Shortening the maximum time from submission of a PMB until the Knesset debates it from two months to 45 days	Strengthened	PMB time limits
12th	12/2/91	Giving MKs the right to ask the Knesset Committee to intervene in case 6 months have passed since a PMB/MTA were assigned to a committee, and the later did not send it back to the floor	Strengthened	PMB/MTA killing in committee

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12th	18/3/92	Mandating that the minister of Finance (or his representative) clarifies to the committee that prepares the PMB whether it is a 'budgetary legislation'. If so the bill needs to include in it the method for its finance	Weakened	PMB/amendments content limits
13th	22/3/93	clarifying that if in MTA and PMB the government asked to postpone the vote, and the Speaker ask if there is an objection, that any MK can object and the Knesset will vote on the objection to postpone	Neutral	PMB/MTA technical limits
13th	13/7/93	If an MK presents over the podium an object or act inappropriately, the Speaker can, if he sees fit, order the MK to step down and take away His speech rights. Such an MK will not be able to give a speech for 3 sitting days	Weakened	Speech Content Limits
13th	3/4/95	When a PMB is co-sponsored the MKs are entitled to determine the order of names	Strengthened	PMB: technical limits

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13th	3/4/95	An MK has to clearly announce if the topic of his PMB or a similar topic was already introduced in a different PMB (either in the same Knesset or a previous one)	Weakened	PMB content limits
13th	12/6/95	Adding that the faction will determine, given its quota for the session, the date each of its members can introduce MTAs and PMBs, provided that each member is given an opportunity to introduce all the proposals he is entitled to	Weakened	PMB/MTA time limits
13th	2/8/95	Mandating the presence of the initiator of an amendment during its vote	Weakened	Amendments technical limits
13th	27/2/96	mandating the presence of the initiator of an urgent MTA when the Knesset Committee debates its urgency status	Weakened	MTA technical limits
13th	27/2/96	The ethic's committee can revoke an MK's, who was removed by the Speaker, rights to initiate PMBs, questions or MTAs for a period to be determined by the committee but no longer than till the end of the session	Weakened	MTA/PMB/questions technical limits

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14th	1/12/97	Changes in the article that discusses re-tabling of PMBs that the Knesset rejected. Left the time limitation on 6 months	Neutral	PMB time limits
14th	19/6/98	Prohibiting ministers and deputy ministers from initiating PMBs.	Weakened	PMB numerical limits
14th	19/6/98	Mandating that if an MK goes back on a PMB a group of MKs proposed, his name will be removed from the bill, which stays on the agenda. In the past such reversion led to the bill being removed from the agenda	Weakened	PMB technical limits
14th	1/12/98	An MK may ask the Knesset Committee to intervene if 3 months have passed since a matter was referred to a committee and the later did not include it on its agenda	Strengthened	PMB/MTA killing in committee
14th	1/12/98	A committee shall not prepare its chair's bill for first reading, as long as a different proposal is on the committee's agenda for more than 6 months, and its debate was not concluded	Strengthened	PMB killing in committee
15th	3/1/00	Adding the 'one minute speech' tool	Strengthened	

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15th	3/1/00	Adding the 'motion for the debate in the committee' tool	Strengthened	
15th	3/1/00	When an MK continues to speak dafter his time is up, the Speaker may, in addition to stop the protocol also shut down his microphone	Weakened	Speeches technical limits
15th	31/7/00	Extending the 'one minute speech tool for an additional 1/2 a year	Neutral	
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15th	31/7/00	Extending the 'one minute speech tool for good	Neutral	
15th	3/1/01	Canceling the 'motion for the debate in the committee' tool	Weakened	
15th	8/1/02	The debate on a PMB will not take place before 45 days have passed since it was put the Knesset's floor unless the government agrees to schedule an earlier date	Weakened	PMB time limits
15th	23/7/02	A committee that prepares PMB for first reading is entitled, at any time, by its own initiative to bring before the Knesset a proposal to divide the PMB into two proposals	Weakened	PMB killing in committee

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15th	13/11/02	No amendment will be added to a bill proposal if it includes insults, cursing or swearing	Weakened	Amendments content limits
16th	8/7/03	Mandating when preparing a PMB/Amendment to verify whether the initiative is a budgetary bill (involves spending over 5 million NIS and the government did not approve of it) in accordance with article 3c of 'the basic law: the State's Economy' and article 39a of the budget foundation bill, which means it has to be approved with a majority of at least 50 MKs in all readings.	Weakened	PMB/Amendments content limits
16th	22/3/04	The Speaker is given the right to change a question wording to adjust it in accordance with the rules of procedures and its precedents (in addition to the right to disqualify a question altogether)	Weakened	Questions content limits
16th	8/11/04	Despite the minimum 45 days waiting period to debate a PMB, if a similar proposal is initiated it will be brought to discussion at the same time as the first proposal	Strengthened	PMB time limits

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16th	8/11/04	The MK who proposed a similar PMB to another proposal already on the Knesset's agenda, will justify his proposal for only up to 3 minutes (instead of 10 minutes)	Weakened	PMB time limits
16th	6/12/05	Restricting the ability of an initiator of an urgent MTA to send a replacement in the appeal on the Speaker's decision about the motion's urgent status before the Knesset Committee	Weakened	MTA technical limits
16th	22/11/06	Shortening the time allotted for ministers to answer a question from 21+21+7 days to 21+7 days only.	Strengthened	Questions time limits