





What Do the Clocks Say?



SENATE LEGISLATIVE CALL SYSTEM

|  NUMBER OF RINGS |  NUMBER OF LIGHTS | ACTIVITY |
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| 1 (long) | | Senate is convening |
| | RED (stays on) | Senate is in session |
| 1 | 1 | Call to vote by yeas and nays |
| 2 | 2 | Quorum call |
| 3 | 3 | Call of absentees ("live quorum") |
| 4 | 4 | Adjournment or recess (end of daily session) |
| 5 | 5 | Seven and a half minutes remaining for yea or nay vote |
| 6 | 6 (cuts off) | Morning business is concluded |
| 6 | 6 (stays on) | Recess during daily session |

HOUSE LEGISLATIVE CALL SYSTEM

|  NUMBER OF RINGS |  NUMBER OF LIGHTS | ACTIVITY |
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| | ORANGE (stays on) | House is in session |
| 2 | 2 | Call to an electronically recorded vote. These votes are recorded for the House Journal, and 15 minutes are allotted for members to vote |
| 3 | 3 | Quorum call. Call for the minimum number of members—218—required to do business |
| 4 | 4 | Adjournment of the House |
| 5 | 5 | Call to a five-minute electronically recorded vote. On noncontroversial bills, five minutes are allotted for members to vote |
| 6 | 6 | Recess, or pause, in the proceedings of the House |