

Debate Cheat Sheet

After you are recognized on the floor, the first thing you say is:

_____, _____ **Delegation**
your name here your delegation

If you want to ask one question, you say:

Will the proponent yield to a question?

If you want to talk about the bill, without asking questions, you say:

I would like to speak out in favor of this bill/amendment.

Or

I would like to speak out against this bill/amendment.

After you have asked all of your questions, if you want to speak out for or against the bill, you say:

I would like to spend the remainder of my time speaking out in favor/against this bill.

If you have changes you want to make to a bill (only in Committee Session), you say:

I move to amend this bill to read as follows: _____ (state your changes).

If you want someone else (a Lobbyist, or other House or Senate member) to use your time to speak, you say:

I would like to yield my time to _____ (state their title and name).

If you want to debate the bill later, you say:

I move to table this bill _____ (state placement on docket).

If you think that debate should end, you say:

Previous Question

If someone forgets to state his or her name, delegation or intent, you say:

Point of Order

If you think the vote is close, before you leader gives you his or her verdict, you say:

Division

