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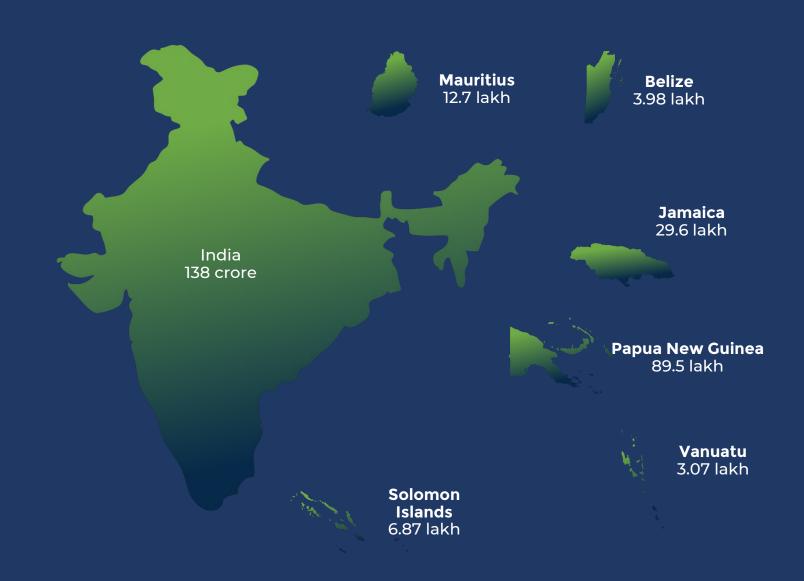
Indian Democracy

An Exceptional Achievement

Many countries became independent post World War II

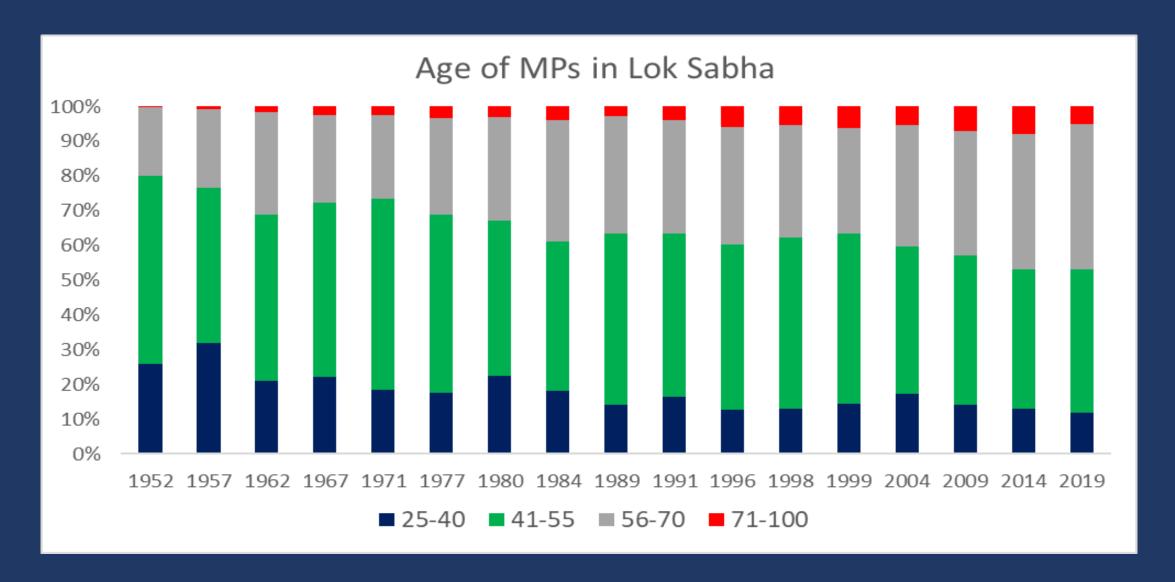
India is by far the largest among only the seven that have stayed the course of democracy

Parliament is at the core of democracy

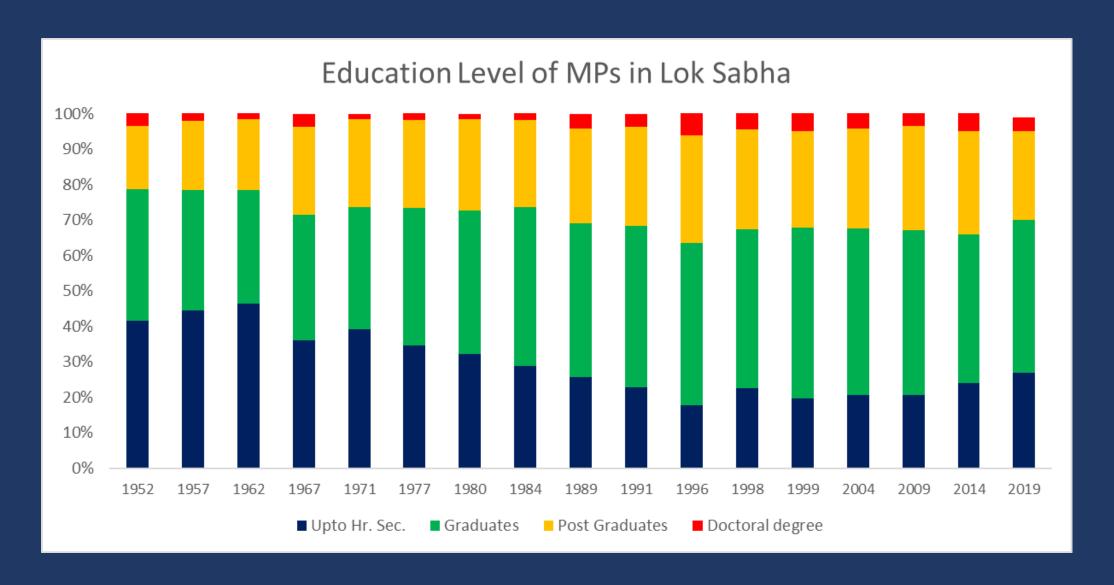




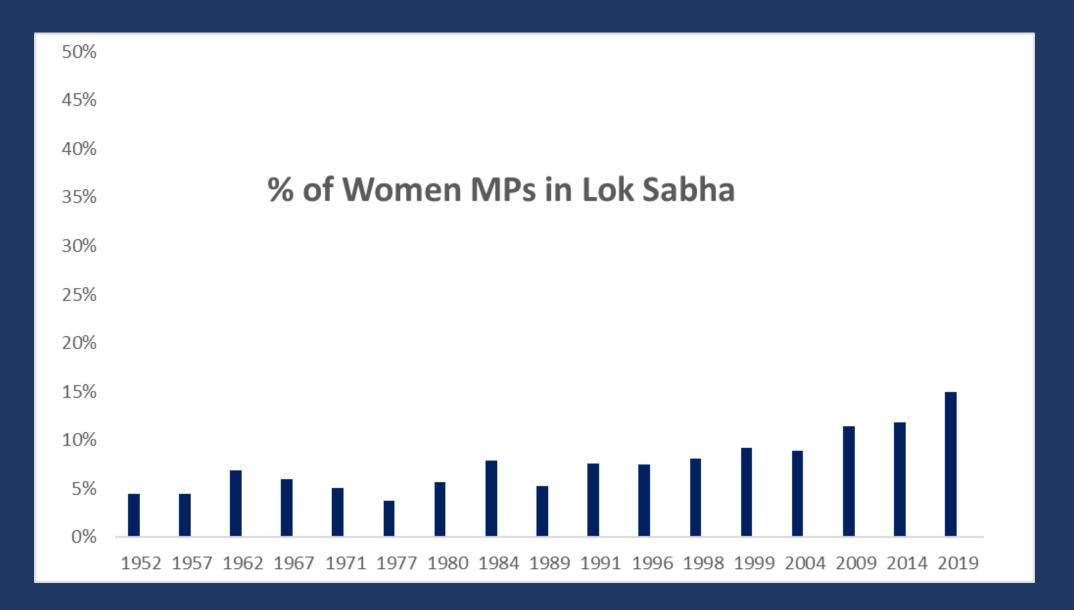
Lok Sabha is getting older



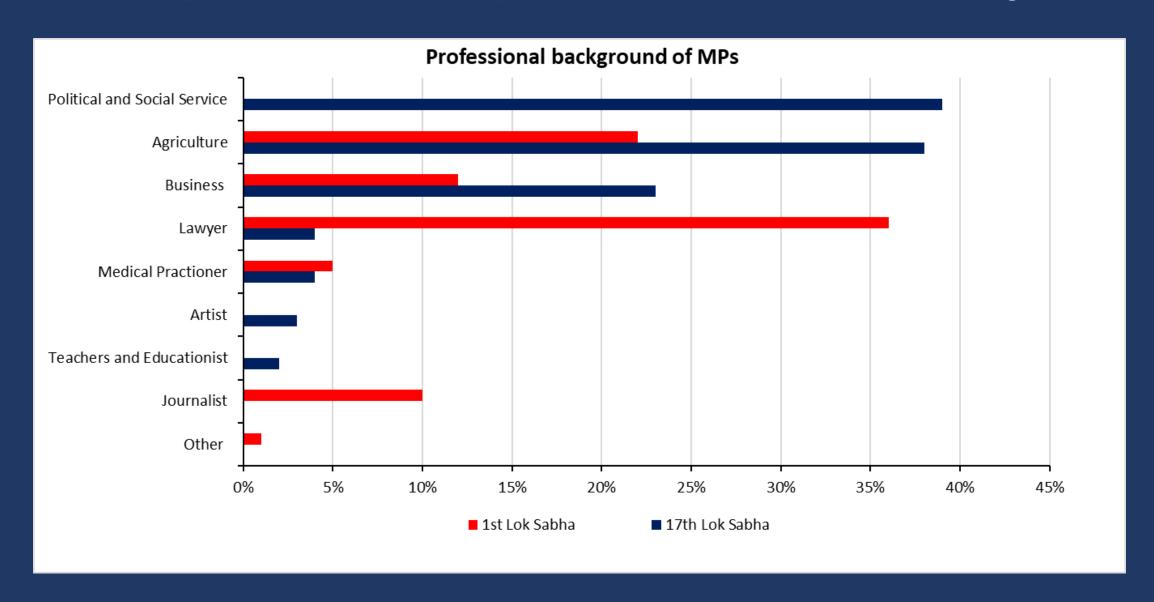
MPs are better educated



A few more women

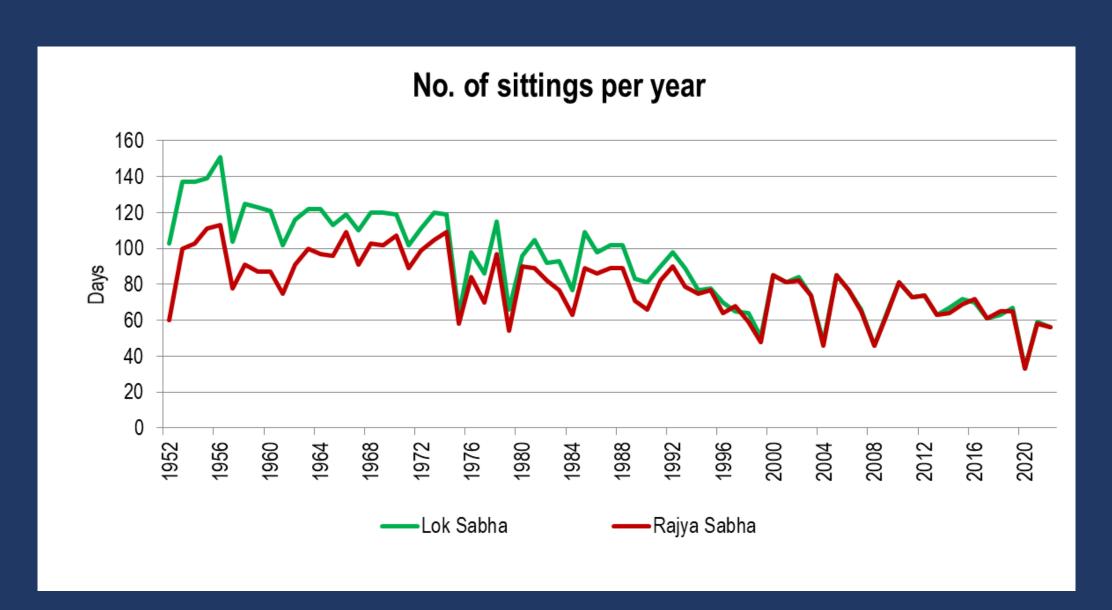


More professional politicians, fewer lawyers

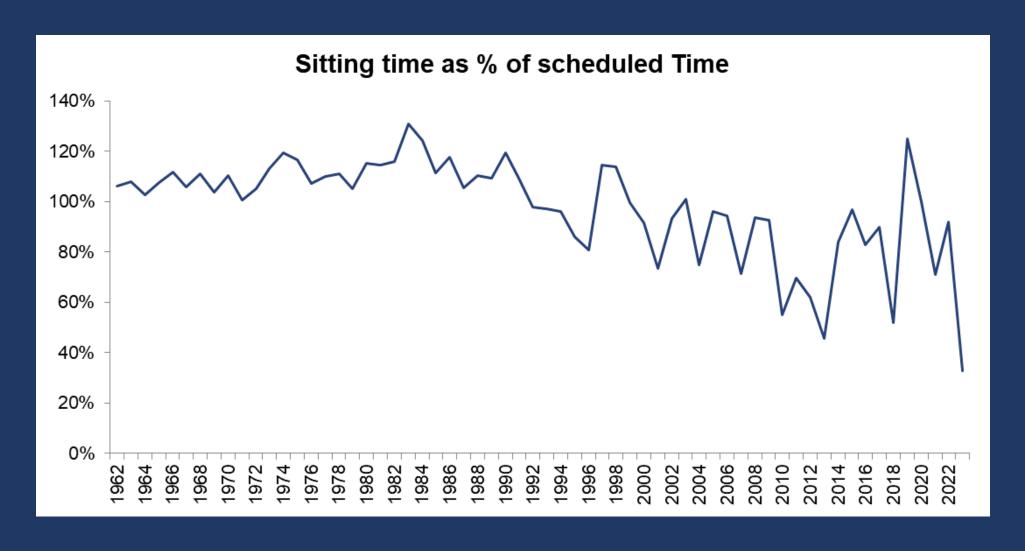




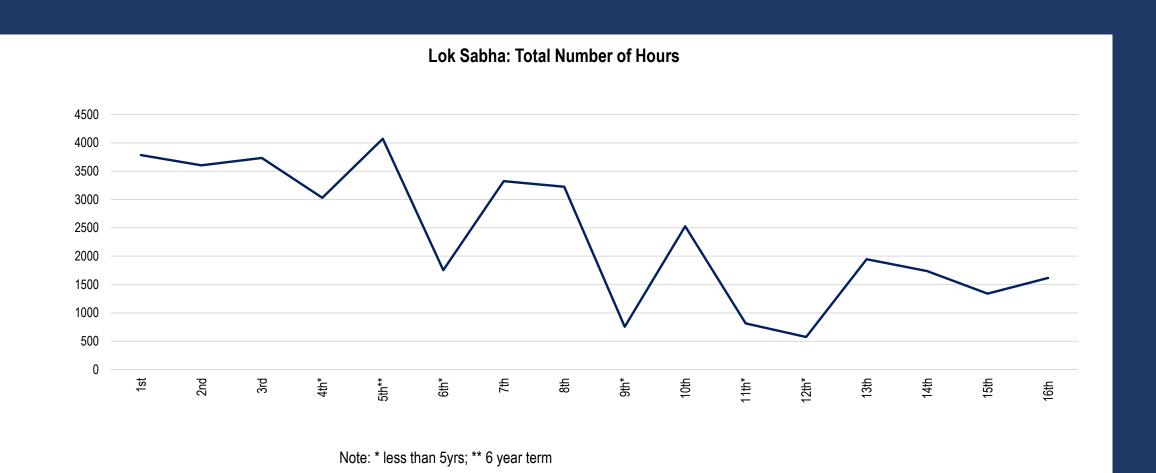
Parliament meets less often



And loses time to disruptions



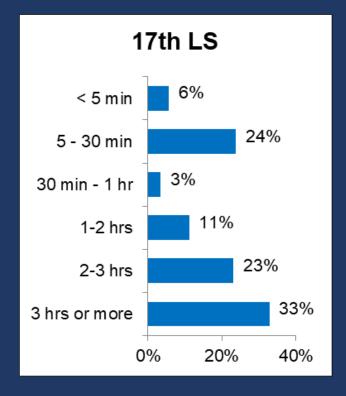
Leading to less time for discussions



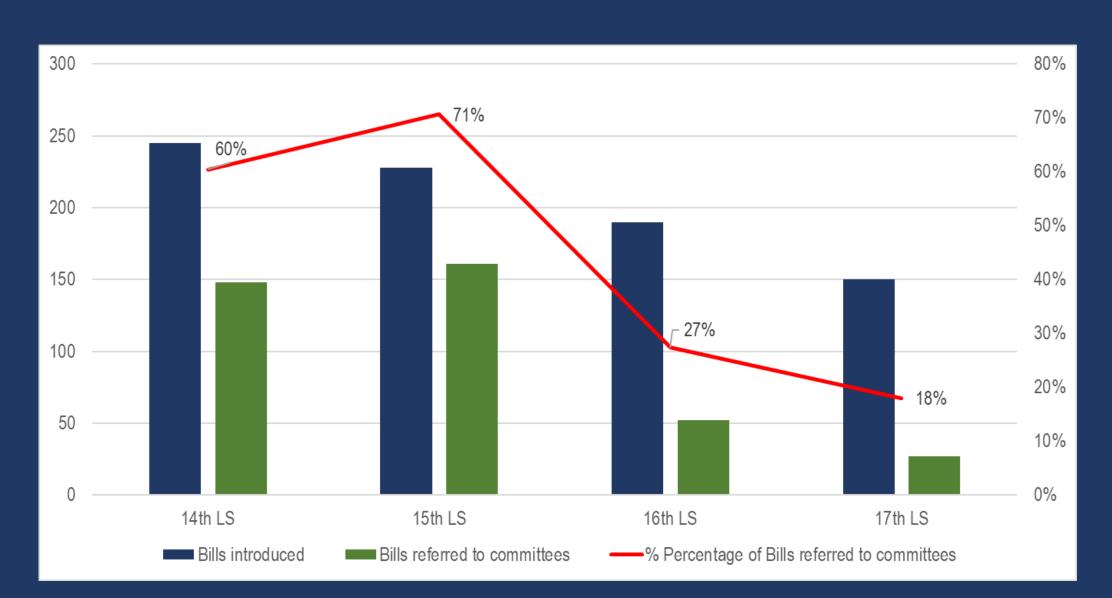
Many Bills passed without debate



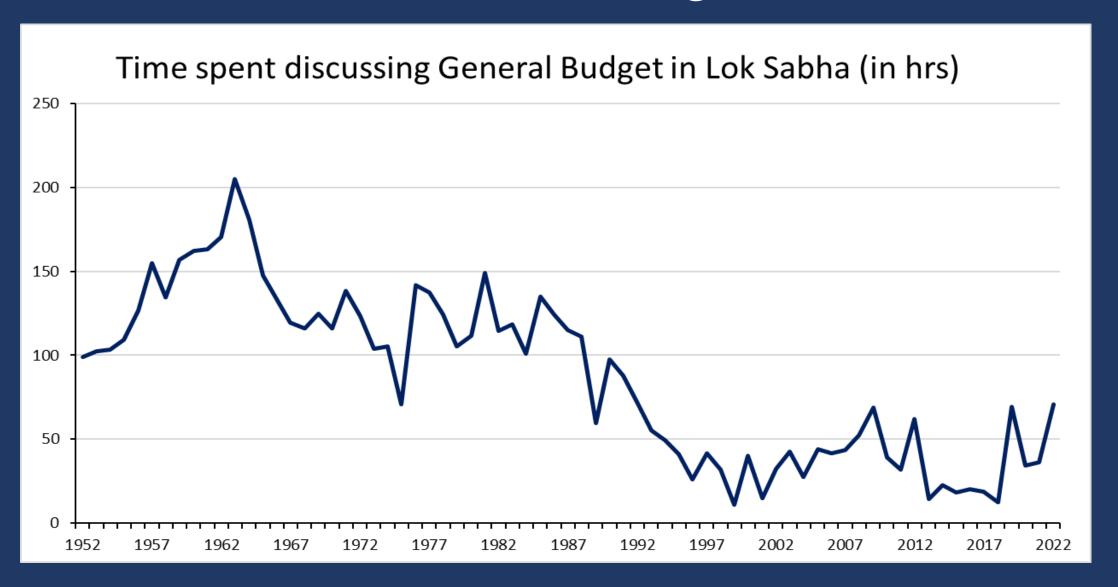




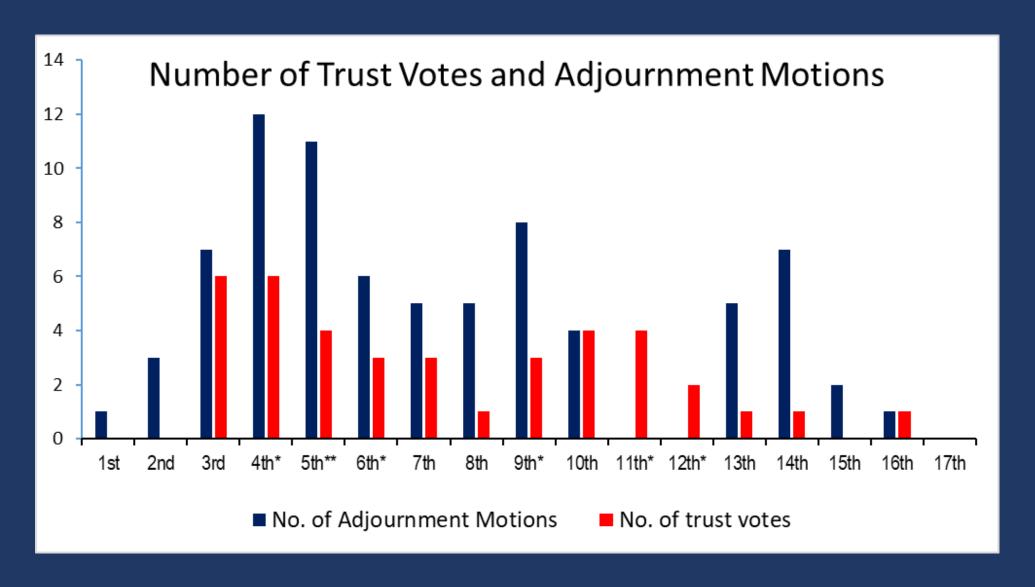
Fewer Bills are being referred to Committees



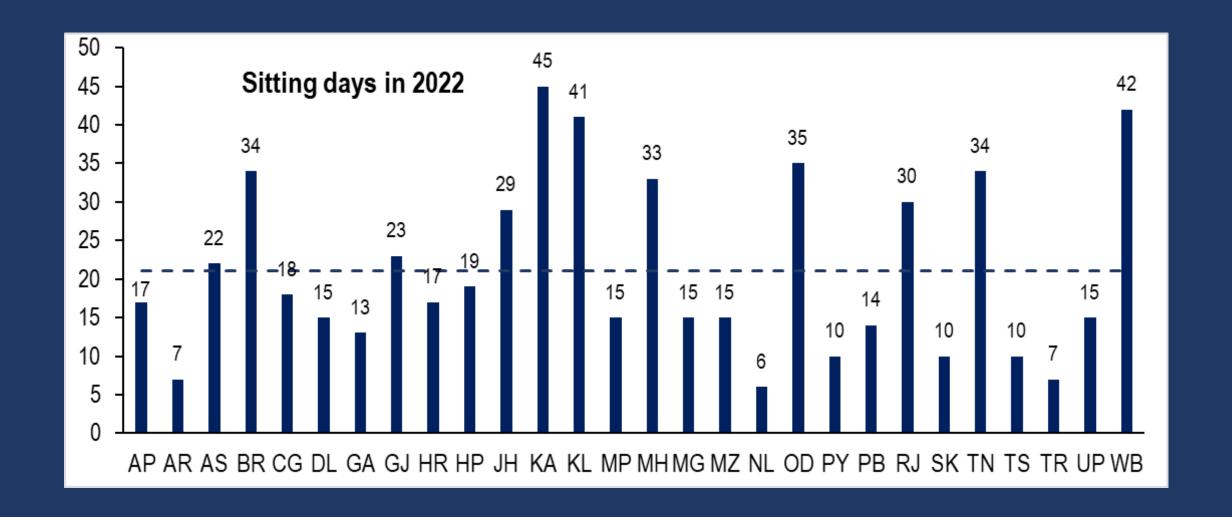
Less discussion on the budget too



Fewer Adjournment and confidence motions



State legislatures are even worse



Bills often passed within a day of introduction

