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Advice and Consent of the Senate

on Council Members

The House has included a provision that the members of the two Councils - Arts and Humanities (26 members each) --- be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Background on this is that there has been some dissatisfaction of the representative quality of the two Councils. Specifically, neither has a representative of Labor. It is felt that input from the Senate will help ensure that the two Councils remain properly representative and that any present imbalances can be corrected through the "advice and Consent" process.

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