## The Senate



## The Senate: Requirements

- 30 years of age
- Must be a Canadian citizen
- Must live in

Province/Territory representing

- Must own \$4000 worth of property in area representing

- Must retire at 75


## Senate

- Provide a sober 2nd look at legislation
- Provide regional representation
- Stall bills
- Amend bills
- Introduce bills


## Senate: \# of Seats

- Ontario
- Quebec
- Nova Scotia 10
- New Brunswick 10

- BC 6
- Alberta
- Saskatchewan 6
- Manitoba 6
- PEI 4
- NFLD 6
- Yukon 1
- NWT 1
- Nunavut 1


## Problems with the Senate

- Costs too much
- Performs same role as HOC
- Appointed not Elected
- Patronage: often given seat as a reward for service
- Lack of qualifications
- Representation by Population not balanced
- Scandals



# SOBER SECOND THOUGHT 



## Triple 'E' Senate

- Elected
- Effective
- Equal

