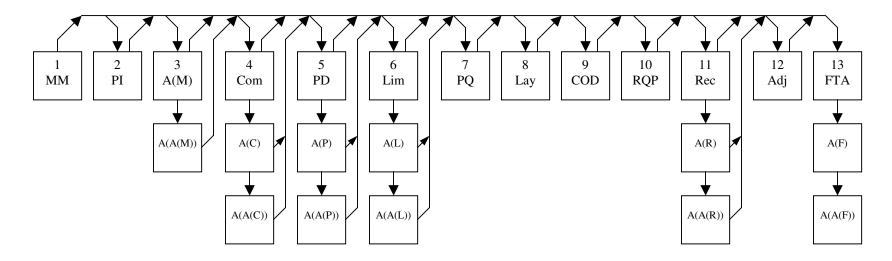
## A "State Diagram" for the 13 Ranking Motions in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised

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## How many motions to Amend may be pending at one time?

Main motion: to buy a personal computer for the secretary

- 1. A(M): to add "at a maximum cost of \$1000"
- 2. A(A(M)): to strike "\$1000" and insert "\$800"

Commit: to refer the pending motions to the budget committee

- 3. A(C): to add "with instructions to report in one month"
- 4. A(A(C)): to strike "one month" and insert "two months"

Postpone Definitely: to postpone the pending motions until 4:00 p.m.

- 5. A(P): to strike "4:00 p.m." and insert "3:00 p.m."
- 6. A(A(P)): to strike "3:00 p.m." and insert "1:00 p.m."

Limit Debate: to limit debate to 6 minutes per speech

- 7. A(L): to strike "6" and insert "4"
- 8. A(A(L)): to strike "4" and insert "2"

Recess: to recess for 30 minutes

- 9. A(R): to strike "30" and insert "20"
- 10. A(A(R)): to strike "20" and insert "10"

Adjourn

Fix...: that when the meeting adjourns, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at 8:00 a.m.

- 11. A(F): to strike "8:00 a.m." and insert "10:00 a.m."
- 12. A(A(F)): to strike 10:00 a.m." and insert "1:00 p.m."

## Ranking Motions: Interrupt? Second? Debate? Amend? Vote? Reconsider?

Privileged Motions:	<u>Intpt</u>	Sec	Debate	Amd	<u>Vt</u>	Recon
13 Fix the time to which to adjourn	N	Y	N	Y	M	Y
12 Adjourn	N	Y	N	N	M	N
11 Recess	N	Y	N	Y	M	N
10 Raise a question of privilege	Y	N	N	N	chr	N
9 Call for the orders of the day	Y	N	N	N	mbr	N
Subsidiary Motions:						
8 Lay on the table	N	Y	N	N	M	Y-
7 Previous question	N	Y	N	N	2/3	Y
6 Limit or extend limits of debate	N	Y	N	Y	2/3	Y
5 Postpone to certain time/definitely	N	Y	Y	Y	M	Y
4 Commit or Refer	N	Y	Y	Y	M	Y
3 Amend	N	Y	Y*	Y	M	Y
2 Postpone indefinitely	N	Y	Y+M	N	M	Y+
Main Motion:						
1 Main motion	N	Y	Y	Y	M	Y

Y+M can debate this and main motion; Y+/Y- can reconsider passing/failing vote.