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Rajya Sabha has equal powers with Lok Sabha in (a) the matter of creating new All India Services (b) amending the Constitution (c) the removal of the government (d) making cut motions Official key: B.

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Explanation

(a)

All India Services. **Article 312** is a Rajya Sabha special, not an equal power.

(b) Official key

• **Amending the Constitution. Article 368:** both Houses must pass; no joint sitting.

(c)

Removal of the government. Confidence lives in the Lok Sabha.

(d)

Cut motions. Money and cut motions are Lok Sabha terrain.

Summary

Official key is (b). On a Constitution Amendment Bill the two Houses stand equal - each must pass, and there is no joint sitting. All-India Services, no-confidence and cut motions are not that equality.

Related possible facts

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Article 368

Special majority in each House; no **Article 108** sitting.

Article 312

Rajya Sabha resolution to create an All-India Service.

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