Who, What, Where, When, and How?
Legislative Research When You've Reached the End of What You Know

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Or, as we like to call it, “Where the #%^%$ is that thing???”
Agenda

• Review some important publications
• Review a few tough questions
• Tips for researchers
• Your questions and suggestions
SEX DISCRIMINATION.
Prohibit discrimination by financial institutions or any other persons on the basis of sex or marital status in connection with federally related mortgage transactions (H.R. 15547).
Remedy for sex discrimination by the insurance business with respect to the availability and scope of insurance coverage for women, provide (H.R. 15552).
Terms of pension, retirement, and similar insurance plans which call for different retirement ages for men and women shall be unlawful (H.R. 15569).

16798–16825

H.R. 16798—Continued
account of the destruction of the barn or other facility used to house such livestock.
Mr. Hanlon; Committee on Ways and Means, 1107.

H.R. 16799—To establish a program to assist individuals and State and local governments in economically depressed areas.
Mr. Lent; Committee on Public Works, 1107.

H.R. 16800—To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide that taxpayers shall not be required to reduce the amount of casualty loss deductions by the amount of reimbursement anticipated from the cancellation of certain Federal loans made in the case of certain disasters.
Mr. McDade; Committee on Ways and Means, 1107.

H.R. 16801—To amend title 18 of the United States Code to provide rules for the treatment of prisoners in Federal correctional institutions.
Mr. Nix; Committee on the Judiciary, 1107.

H.R. 16802—To strengthen and expand the Headstart program, with priority to the economically disadvantaged, to amend the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, and for other purposes.
Mr. Reid, Ms. Abruzo, Mr. Addabbo, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Corman, Mr. DeLay, Mr. Diggs, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Edwards of California, Mr. Ellsberg, Mr. Fauss, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Green of Pennsylvania, Mr. Halpern, Mr. Harrington, Mr. Hathaway, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hecht of West Virginia, Mr. Helms, Mr. Hicks of Massachusetts, Mr. Kastenmeier, Mr. Koch, Ms. Mink, and Mr. Mitchell.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 16808—For the relief of Howard Lindberg.
Mr. Dow; Committee on the Judiciary, 1107.

H.R. 16809—Conferring jurisdiction upon the U.S. Court of Claims to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of Calvin O. Schofield.
Mr. Dow; Committee on the Judiciary, 1107.

H.R. 16810—To provide for a temporary increase in the public debt limit and to place a limitation on expenditures and net lending for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973.
Mr. Mills of Arkansas, Mr. Schuezebeld, and Mr. Bow; Committee on Ways and Means, 1118—Reported without amendment (Rept. No. 93–1456), 1120—Passed House, 1247.—House disagrees to Senate amendments and agrees to conference, 1451.—Senate insists on its amendments and asks conference, 1451.—Conference report filed (Rept. No. 93–1486), 1493.—Conference report agreed to in House, 1522.—House reads and concurs in Senate amendment No. 10, with amendment, 1552.—Senate disagrees to conference report, 1559.—Senate agrees to House amendment to Senate amendment No. 10, 1559.—Senate further insists on amendments and requests further conference, 1559.—House further disagrees to Senate amendments and agrees to conference, 1560.—Further conference report filed—93–1485, 1563.—Further conference report agreed to in House, 1553.—Further conference report agreed to in Senate, 1572.—Examined and agreed, 1569.—Presented to the President, 1569.—Approved [Public Law No. 93–099], 1591.

H.R. 16811—Continued
## HISTORY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Numerical order of bills and resolutions which have been reported to or considered by either or both Houses.

Note: Similar or identical bills, and bills having reference to each other, are indicated by number in parentheses.

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HISTORY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 3—A bill to enhance the competitiveness of American industry, and for other purposes; joint to the Committee on Ways and Means; Agriculture; Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs; Education and Labor; Energy and Commerce; and Foreign Affairs.—Conference report (H. Rept. 100-567) submitted in House, 1071—Explanatory statement, 1072—Conference report debated, 8109, 8192, 8460, 8485, 8603, 8832, 8883, 8888—Conference report agreed to, 8930—Debated, 8953—Conference report agreed to in the Senate, 9766—Made special order (H. Res. 438), 9790—Examined and signed in the Senate, 10463, 10766—Examined and signed in the House, 10564—Presented to the President, 11166—Presidential veto message, 12123—Presidential veto debated, 12125—House override Presidential veto, 12133—Veto message debated in the Senate, 13297, 13688—Veto message debated, 13867—Presidential veto sustained, 13718

H.R. 5—A bill to improve elementary and secondary education in the States to enable families receiving public assistance benefits to achieve long-term self-sufficiency; to the Committee on Education and Labor.—Cosponsors added, 61

H.R. 59—A bill to designate certain lands in Alaska as wilderness; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.—Cosponsors added, 330, 3355, 3769, 4185, 11388, 12386, 14372, 17468, 19625, 22067, 22762

H.R. 48—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act so as to remove the limitation upon the amount of outside income which an individual may earn while receiving benefits thereunder; to the Committee on Ways and Means.—Cosponsors added, 61, 1295, 2769, 31067

H.R. 47—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize members of the Armed Forces to assist civilian law enforcement agencies in drug-interdiction operations outside the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.—Cosponsors added, 6010, 10890

H.R. 115—A bill to amend title I of the Social Security Act to make it States and local governments tax social security benefits; committee on Ways and Means.—Cosponsors added, 2038, 2769, 4066, 3675, 39

H.R. 125—A bill to restore indigent faremen to the Committee on Agriculture.—Cosponsors added, 6010, 10890

H.R. 116—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow certain individuals who file separate tax returns be taxed as unmarried individuals; committee on Ways and Means.—Cosponsors added, 6114, 14762

Note: Hearings are best tracked in the Daily Digest

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—DAILY DIGEST

October 18, 1988

A. Lacero, Director, Office of Waste Programs Enforcement; and Richard H. Mays, Senior Enforcement Counsel, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Monitoring.

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Water Resources continued hearings on amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Dyson; and public witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES IN AUTOMOTIVE PROJECTS ACT

Committee on Rules: Created an open rule providing two hours of debate on H.R. 1344, Fair Practices and Procedures in Automotive Products Act of 1983. Testimony was heard from Chairman Dingell; and Representatives Florio, Overtier, Broyles, Lant, Dannemeyer, Coats, and Gibbons.
Review Major Publications

- Historical Indexes (Tables of the Annotated ...)
- Boyd & Rips Chapter 3
- Other textbooks: Schmeckebier; Morehead; Hartnett et al; Caro; Simmons)
Reference Questions

• Was there a hearing?
• Has this hearing been published?
• What happened in this committee on “x” day? Was there a report?
• Where did this bill text come from?
• When you need a full text search what language do you use?
• Early reports of people of color in the military
• Presidential Nominee Biography Sheets
A patron wants to see the transcript of the Hearing held on
H.R.3885 - Grand Ronde Restoration Act, in 1983. Neither CGP not ProQuest Congressional have a record of such a hearing. Congress.gov reports the following in the legislative history of the bill, which became law:

- 10/18/1983 House Committee Hearings Held.
- Action By: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs
- But ProQuest Congressional mentions no hearings held on that day by that committee.
- By the way, there is a photo online that is supposedly taken at the hearing: https://oregonhistoryproject.org/articles/historical-records/grand-ronde-restoration-hearing/#.Wt-QW1jwa70
Truman Capote

... looking for Truman Capote's testimony before the Senate Committee on Judiciary on July 21, 1966 as part of a series of hearings on the Constitutional implications of Miranda v. Arizona. According to the Congressional Record the hearings went on for multiple days but I have not been able to locate a call number for the printed hearings in the MoCat. Suggestions?
Truman Capote (cont)

July 21, 1966

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — DAILY DIGEST

Texas. Testimony was received from Senator Yar- 

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H.R. 10656, a private bill, except pt. 1753;  

Poland Anniversary: The Senate amendments to H.R. 139, to the striking of medals to commemorate the anniversary of the founding of Poland, the legislation for the White House.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments continued its hearings on the matter of constitutional implications affecting law enforcement raised by the recent Supreme Court decision on Miranda v. Arizona, having as its witnesses Truman Capote, author of the book “In Cold Blood,” and Alvin Dewey, of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Tualatin Federal Reclamation. The House insisted on its amendments to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct and maintain the Tualatin Federal reclamation, Oregon; agreed to a conference with the appointed

Capote Assails Crime Decision

BY JOHN F. MCKENZIE
Washington Post, L. A. Times

WASHINGTON — Truman Capote, novelist and student of the criminal mentality, gave the Senate his opinion Thursday on the state of the criminal law.

The author of “In Cold Blood” did not seem to persuade Chairman Birch Bayh (D-Ind.) of the Constitutional Amendments subcommittee that there was something wrong with the Fifth Amendment, but he drew raves from autograph-seeking spectators.

Capote said the law had reached a deplorable state as the result of Supreme Court restrictions on the use of confessions.

He said if Miranda v. Arizona, the decision handed down June 13, had been the law in 1938, the two murders featured
Was there a report? (GOVDOC-L August, 2005)

... legislative history of S. 784 (40-3, 12/7/1868-3/3/1869). According to the Congressional Globe, the bill (to amend the judicial system of the U.S.) was referred to the Comm. on the Judiciary, and then was reported back with an amendment.

I am unable to find a senate report from this time that refers to this bill (I used the Serial Set Index, LexNex Cong Historical section, and the full-text serial set). Am I misinterpreting something here? Can anyone shed light on this?
Q: ... Am I correct in thinking that markups only appear in PQ Congressional from 2000 to current? I’m looking for any related to P.L. 93-86 that would have occurred on May 1-9, 1973. Do you know if older markups will ever be added?

Andrea: On the markup - I can’t figure out that anything happened on those dates for PL 93-86.

What I did -
- I took a look at both Leg Insight and Congressional and there was nothing there for those dates.
- Then I downloaded the Journals (both House and Senate) for the 93rd Congress and I’m including the screenshots for the relevant sections here.

I went to the first mention in each of these and didn’t have to look any further. The first mention for both S.1888 and H.R. 8860 is later in May or June.

The first mention in the House Journal (date is 6/27) is about the filing of the report from the same date (H. Rpt 83-337). The report metadata would indicate there are a lot of substitutions etc., in there.

The first mention in the Senate Journal (p.445) dates to May 23, so is after the dates in question.

From what I have seen in markups, they occur either in report language for a bill and sometimes in hearings. It may be that committees published more of it after a certain time, but certainly reports on legislation go waaaay back in the Serial Set, so it isn’t like we would only include them after a certain date.
What happened in this committee on “x” day? (2/3)

Questioner: bill started life as S. 517... unsure where the faculty member obtained the May dates. He had used govtrack.us, but I don’t see the May 1 through 9 (he is unsure which days of the range), 1973, dates therein or in PQ Congressional.... He called markups “business meeting” reports which seems standard. This phrase was new to me actually. The Library here has a few markups. That is, I remember seeing the word Markup in bold on a hearings over the years. I told him I’d check with NAL and NARA. I had offered to email the Clerk, but he plans to do as he’ll be in DC in 2 weeks he said.

If I find out anything more, I’ll let you know, just to close the loop, or if he has success in DC, I’ll let you know that, too. ...

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Andrea: I’ll go back and look at S. 517 and see what is there ....

What you’re looking at is the Schedule info that includes info on markups scheduled back to 2000. That doesn’t mean that that info wasn’t included in the database, just that the schedule info (which included those scheduled sessions) started in 2000.

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Questioner: By the way, the date of May 9, 1973, is given as the day the committee completed its work in one of the committee prints. I did followup with an email to the faculty member as to his source for the dates, too.
What happened ... (3/3)

Andrea: Okay... so I ... finally went to the Daily Digest in the Congressional Record to find out what the …committee was up to. May 1-8 the entry reads approximately as follows ...

Because they met in executive session, I’m not sure where to look... will ponder that for a bit. I will say that I didn’t find any publications from that committee between April 30 and May 17 (and 5/17 was not on point)

On May 9 we have the following item (right)

After this May 9 Daily Digest entry, you have the original bill (aka the new bill from the committee) S.1888 introduced on May 23.

The S. Journal notes the bill is accompanied by S. Rpt 93-173. This report looks like a lot of markup material I have seen – page 98 starts the section “changes in existing law” and really goes line by line about changes and insertions. Page 47 also starts an interesting section.

I did look for a report for the 93rd congress from this committee (some committees do these at the end of each congress) but I didn’t see one for this committee.

If what you're looking for isn’t in S. Rpt 93-173, then a call to the Center for Legislative Archives at NARA is probably your best bet to see if there is anything they can tell you about the meetings in executive session.
... she’s trying to track down the history of a particular piece of text in PL 109-351 “Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2006”. The chunk of text she’s interested in is from an amendment the house put into the Senate bill (in section 305):

“The foregoing standards and limitations apply to investments under this paragraph made by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries.”

→ *What text would you search on? Why?*
Tips for **Best Full Text Searching**

**DO this**
- Less is more
- Search using the language that wouldn’t be changed
- Numbers or #s?
- Know your Adobe Advanced Search Options
  (https://proquest.libguides.com/PDFs)

**What can go wrong?**
- Numbered lines
  - Teeny tiny text
- OCR or O(4 or 0C8 or OCR
- Funk
- Y line wraps
- Page numbers, not bill numbers, not budget numbers or any other number you actually wanted
OCR Gone Awry
Text in the Law:

“The foregoing standards and limitations apply to investments under this paragraph made by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries.”

Text in the Bill:

13 (2) by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The preceding standards and limitations apply to each investment under this paragraph made by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries.”.
Early Reports of People of Color in the Military

- Patron wanted a 1840’s report on people of color in the military.
- Tables of and Annotated Index to the Congressional Series of United States Public Documents (1902)
  - Helpful if you don’t have access to electronic Serial Set or a historical collection of documents
Presidential Nomination Biography Sheet

- Faculty member doing a research project on presidential nominees - wanted bio sheet for each nominee

- Sometimes called *Nominee Biography Sheet*, sometimes called *Questionnaire for Presidential Nominees*.

- Problem: not all nominees’ sheets are published.

- Refer to the Center for Legislative Archives (NARA)

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**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES**

**PART 1: ALL THE INFORMATION IN THIS PART WILL BE MADE PUBLIC**

1. Name: Gordon Hall Mansfield
2. Address: 2401 Daphne Lane, Alexandria, Virginia 22306
3. Position: Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs

4. Date of Nomination: 30 April 2001
5. Birth date: 15 September 1941
6. Birth place: Pittsfield, Massachusetts
7. Marital status: Married to Linda K.C. Mansfield
8. Children, age: Gordon, age 29; Leon, age 28
9. Education: Institution (city, state), dates attended, degrees received, dates of degrees.
   - Washington College of Law: 1968–1971; n/a
   - Villanova University: 1959–1964; B.S.; June 1964
   - The Peddie School: 1957–1959; Diploma; June 1959
10. Honors: List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, military medals, honorary society memberships, and any other special recognitions for outstanding service or achievement.
   - Villanova University—Alumni Medal for Distinguished Service, 1968
Pro Tips

• Always download the #$%@# files (if you delete them, you are guaranteed to need them again)

• Go to a quiet place to think about what you may have missed.

• Try newspapers → Sometimes newspapers will give additional information that can be helpful (hearings especially).

• One of the hardest things to learn is when to give up!
Additional Tips

• Center for Legislative Archives

• Identify Committee Members and see if members papers are deposited/available anywhere – items deposited may include a copy of the item you are looking for.