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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives and Records Administration
<b>Title</b>	House Records of the 85th Congress
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1957-1958
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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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### **Conditions Governing Access note**

The records are governed by Rule VII(3)b of the House Rules:

(b) (1) A record shall immediately be made available if it was previously made available for public use by the House or a committee or a subcommittee. (2) An investigative record that contains personal data relating to a specific living person (the disclosure of which would be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), an administrative record relating to personnel, or a record relating to a hearing that was closed under clause 2(g)(2) of rule XI shall be made available if it has been in existence for 50 years. (3) A record for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the House shall be made available in accordance with that order. Except as otherwise provided by order of the House, a record of a committee for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the committee (entered during the Congress in which the record is made or acquired by the committee) shall be made available in accordance with the order of the committee. (4) A record (other than a record referred to in subparagraph (1), (2), or (3)) shall be made available if it has been in existence for 30 years.

## Collection Inventory

### **Records of Legislative Proceedings 1957-1958**

#### **Minute Books and Journals 1957-1958 6.0 Cubic feet (17 volumes)**

##### **Scope and Contents note**

The minute books and journals series includes a minute book, first session (85A-A1); legislative journal, first session (85A-A2); minute book, second session (85A-A3); and legislative journal, second session (85A-A4).

#### **Bills and Resolutions Originating in the House 1957-1958 34.0 Cubic feet**

##### **Scope and Contents note**

The bills and resolutions originating in the House include one hundred two volumes of original House bills (85A-B1); four volumes of original House joint resolutions (85A-B2); two volumes of original House concurrent resolutions (85A-B3); two volumes of House simple resolutions (85A-B4); desk copies of House bills passed (85A-B5); desk copies of House joint resolutions passed (85A-B6); desk copies of House concurrent resolutions passed (85A-B7); desk copies of House simple resolutions agreed to (85A-B8); engrossed House bills (85A-B9); engrossed House joint resolutions (85A-B10); engrossed House concurrent resolutions (85A-B11); desk copies of House bills tabled (85A-B12); desk copies of House joint resolutions tabled (85A-B13); desk copies of House concurrent resolutions tabled (85A-B14); desk copies of simple resolutions tabled (85A-B15); reported House bills and resolutions not agreed to (85A-B16); and original amendments to House bills and resolutions (85A-B17).

##### **Arrangement note**

**Bills and Resolutions Originating in the Senate and Considered in the House**

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The records are arranged numerically within each group.

**Bills and Resolutions Originating in the Senate and Considered in the House 1957-1958 2.0 Cubic feet****Scope and Contents note**

The bills and resolutions originating in the Senate and considered in the House include Senate bills passed (85A-C1); Senate joint resolutions passed (85A-C2); Senate concurrent resolutions passed (85A-C3); engrossed Senate bills referred (85A-C4); engrossed Senate joint resolutions referred (85A-C5); engrossed Senate concurrent resolutions referred (85A-C6); engrossed Senate bills not referred (85A-C7); engrossed Senate joint resolutions not referred (85A-C8); engrossed Senate simple resolutions (85A-C9); Senate amendments to House bills and resolutions (85A-C10); notification to Senate agreements to House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions (85A-C11); notification to Senate agreements to reports of the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on amendments of the House to Senate bills and resolutions (85A-C12); reported Senate bills and resolutions not agreed to (85A-C13); original amendments to Senate bills and resolutions (85A-C14); and Senate orders communicated to the House (85A-C15).

**Arrangement note**

The records are arranged numerically within each group.

**Papers Accompanying Specific Bills and Resolutions 1957-1958 269.0 Cubic feet****Scope and Contents note**

The papers accompanying specific bills and resolutions are from the following committees: Committee on Agriculture (85A-D1); Committee on Armed Services (85A-D2); Committee on Banking and Currency (85A-D3); Committee on the District of Columbia (85A-D4); Committee on Education and Labor (85A-D5); Committee on Foreign Affairs (85A-D6); Committee on Government Operations (85A-D7) see also 85A-F7.6; Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (85A-D8); Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (85A-D9); Committee on the Judiciary (85A-D10); Committee on

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Merchant Marine and Fisheries (85A-D11); Committee on Post Office and Civil Service (85A-D12); Committee on Public Works (85A-D13); Committee on Rules (85A-D14); and Committee on Ways and Means (85A-D15).

### **Arrangement note**

The records are arranged numerically by bill or resolution within each committee, except 85A-D10, in which claims are arranged alphabetically by person or subject.

## **Committee Reports 1957-1958 29.0 Cubic feet (123 volumes)**

### **Scope and Contents note**

Original committee reports are from the first session (85A-E1); and second session (85A-E2).

### **Arrangement note**

The records are arranged numerically within each group.

## **Committees 1957-1958**

Committee on Agriculture 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Agriculture was created on May 3, 1820, to provide a forum for the interests of the large agricultural population of the country. The committee's jurisdiction includes adulteration of seeds, insect pests, and protection of birds and animals in forest reserves; agriculture generally; agricultural and industrial chemistry; agricultural colleges and experiment stations; agricultural economics and research; agricultural education extension services; agricultural production and marketing and stabilization of prices of agricultural products, and commodities (not including distribution outside of the United States); animal industry and diseases of animals; commodity exchanges; crop insurance and soil conservation; dairy industry; entomology and plant quarantine;

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extension of farm credit and farm security; inspection of livestock, poultry, meat products, and seafood and seafood products; and forestry in general and forest reserves other than those created from the public domain. The committee has oversight over the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Agriculture include executive communications (85A-F1.1), arranged numerically; hearings (85A-F1.2); and minutes (85A-F1.3).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

**Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Agriculture document the humane slaughter of livestock and poultry (85A-H1.1); and various subjects (85A-H1.2).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

**Committee on Armed Services 1957-1958**

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Armed Services was established under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, which merged the jurisdictions of the former committees on Naval Affairs, and on Military Affairs to form a single committee, the Committee on the Armed Services. The jurisdiction of the new committee included the following subjects: a) Common defense generally. b) The Department of Defense generally, including the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force generally. c) Ammunition depots; forts; arsenals; Army, Navy and Air Force reservations and establishments. d) Conservation, development, and use of naval petroleum and oil shale reserves. e) Pay, promotion, retirement, and other benefits and privileges of members of the armed forces. f) Scientific research and development in support of the armed services. g) Selective service. h) Size and composition of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. i) Soldiers' and sailors' homes. j) Strategic and critical materials necessary for the common defense. The committee has functioned through numerous subcommittees, the names and number of which vary from Congress to Congress. Through most of its history there have been four or five standing legislative subcommittees, several special subcommittees appointed to conduct specific studies, and an oversight or investigating subcommittee. The records that have been preserved reflect the complex and often technical nature of the subjects dealt with by the committee, and its reliance on subcommittees to perform most of the work.

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**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Armed Services include executive communications from the Department of Defense (85A-F2.1), Department of the Army (85A-F2.2), Department of the Navy (85A-F2.3), Department of the Air Force (84A-F2.4), and other agencies (85A-F2.5), all arranged numerically within each group; and reports required by law, but not executive communications (85A-F2.6).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

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Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services document changing the method of computing the basic pay of members of the Armed Forces - H.R. 7574, H.R. 7642 (85A-H2.1); National Guard (85A-H2.2); and various subjects (85A-H2.3).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Subcommittee for Special Investigations 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee for Special Investigations, Committee on Armed Services, include a general file (85A-F2.7), arranged numerically; Spanish bases (85A-F2.8); survey of military procurement personnel (85A-F2.9), unarranged; transcripts of hearings on aircraft engines production costs and profits (85A-F2.10); airstrip paving (85A-F2.11); Armed Services Procurement Act, Section 2304(a), Title X (85A-F2.12); General Motors Airplane Contract 33(038)-18503 (85A-F2.13); Raylaine Worsteds, Inc. (85A-F2.14); and other subjects (85A-F2.15); various subjects (85A-F2.16), arranged according to a subject listing; and minutes, including stenotype notes (85A-F2.17).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

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## Special Subcommittee No. 5 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of Special Subcommittee No. 5, Committee on Armed Services, include correspondence, memoranda, and related papers concerning a study on conflicts between Congress and the Executive over the expenditures of appropriated funds (85A-F2.18), arranged according to a numerical listing.

## Special Subcommittee No. 6 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of Special Subcommittee No. 6, Committee on Armed Services, include transcripts of hearings relating to inquiry into the classification and dissemination of information in the Defense Department (85A-F2.19).

## Committee on Banking and Currency 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Banking and Currency Committee was created in 1865 to relieve the Ways and Means Committee of part of its workload. Its jurisdiction included the chartering and oversight of national banks; the issue of national bank loans; the issue, taxation, and redemption of national bank notes; and the authorization of bond issues. It was responsible for legislation involving the deposit of public moneys, strengthening the public credit, monetary parity, and the issuance of silver certificates as currency. The investigation of the failure of state banks and the affairs of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company were also part of its jurisdiction. The committee's jurisdiction included the legislation that created the Federal Reserve System in 1913 and the establishment and operation of Federal Reserve banks since that date. Since 1921 it has included legislation regarding the War Finance Corporation, the provision of credits for essential industries,

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rural credits, and farm loans. Since 1932 it has been responsible for home-loan bills. In 1921 part of the jurisdiction of the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures was transferred to the Banking and Currency Committee, and in 1946 the remainder of the former committee's jurisdiction relating to coinage was similarly transferred as part of the reorganization of Congress. The new formal jurisdiction of the committee was defined to include the following subjects and remained the same until 1971: (a) Banking and currency generally. (b) Control of price of commodities, rents, or services. (c) Deposit insurance. (d) Federal Reserve System. (e) Financial aid to commerce and industry, other than matters relating to such aid which are specifically assigned to other committees under this rule. (f) Gold and silver, including the coinage thereof. (g) Issuance of notes and redemption thereof. (h) Public and private housing. (i) Valuation and revaluation of the dollar.

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Banking and Currency include hearings (85A-F3.1); legislative calendar (85A-F3.2); and minutes (85A-F3.3).

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The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

**Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency include various subjects (85A-H3.1).

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The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

### Committee on the District of Columbia 1957-1958

#### **Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on the District of Columbia was established on January 27, 1808. The committee's duty was to consider all petitions and memorials relating to the affairs of the District of Columbia referred to them by the House. Jurisdiction consisted of various municipal concerns of the District of Columbia including those involving streets, schools and teachers, railroads, police and fire departments, claims against the District Government, insurance, taxes, health and safety, liquor sales, incorporation of organizations and societies, and other matters that were the normal concerns of city and State governments. Since its creation the committee has shared jurisdiction on District concerns with other committees, and in particular with the Committees on Education and Labor, Interior, Banking and Currency, Judiciary, and Public Works. The committee was known as the Committee on the District of Columbia from 1801-1995. The committee was split and absorbed by subcommittees of the Committee on Appropriations and by the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

### Committee Papers 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on the District of Columbia include executive communications (85A-F4.1), arranged numerically; reports of the National Capital Housing Authority (85A-F4.2); and legislative calendar (85A-F4.3).

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The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

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**Committee on Education and Labor 1957-1958****Biographical/Historical note**

Under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, the Committees on Education and on Labor were combined to form this committee. On January 4, 1995, the Committee was renamed the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities. On January 7, 1997, the Committee was renamed the Committee on Education and the Workforce; on January 5, 2007, it became the Committee on Education and Labor; on January 5, 2011, the Committee became the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Its jurisdiction included: (a) Measures relating to education and labor generally, (b) Child labor, (c) Columbia Institute for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind; Howard University; Freedmen's Hospital; and Saint Elizabeths Hospital, (d) Convict labor and the entry of goods made by convicts into interstate commerce, (e) Labor standards, (f) Labor statistics, (g) Mediation and arbitration of labor disputes, (h) Regulation or prevention of importation of foreign laborers under contract, (i) School-lunch program, (j) United States Employees' Compensation Commission, (k) Vocational rehabilitation, (l) Wages and hours of labor, and (m) Welfare of miners.

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Education and Labor include executive communications (85A-F5.1), arranged numerically; hearings (85A-F5.2); minutes (85A-F5.3); and printed bills (85A-F5.4).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

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**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Education and Labor include Federal aid to education (85A-H4.1); and various subjects (85A-H4.2).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Committee on Foreign Affairs 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Foreign Affairs gained status as a standing committee of the House of Representatives in 1822, however, its antecedents date as far back as 1775 when the Continental Congress established a committee to correspond with friends abroad. The jurisdiction of the committee includes relations of the United States with foreign nations generally; acquisition of land and buildings for embassies and legations in foreign countries; establishment of boundary lines between the United States and foreign nations; export controls, including nonproliferation of nuclear technology and nuclear hardware; foreign loans; international commodity agreements (other than those involving sugar), including all agreements for cooperation in the export of nuclear technology and nuclear hardware; international conferences and congresses; international education; intervention abroad and declarations of war; diplomatic service; measures to foster commercial intercourse with foreign nations and to safeguard American business interests abroad; international economic policy; neutrality; protection of American citizens abroad and expatriation; the American National Red Cross; trading with the enemy; and United Nations organizations. The committee has oversight over the U.S. Department of State.

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The committee papers of the Committee on Foreign Affairs include committee prints of staff memoranda, reports of special study missions, material and working drafts on the mutual security program, and other such publications (85A-F6.1); printed committee reports (85A-F6.2), arranged numerically; executive communications (85A-F6.3), arranged numerically; printed hearings (85A-F6.4); printed House documents (85A-F6.5), arranged numerically; mimeographed issuances (85A-F6.6); mutual security program, 1957 (85A-F6.7), unarranged; public laws (85A-F6.8), arranged numerically; transcripts of hearings on economic and military cooperation with nations in the Middle East - H.J. Res. 117 (85A-F6.9); files of members (85A-F6.10), arranged alphabetically; files of staff members (85A-F6.11), arranged alphabetically; files of subcommittees (85A-F6.12), arranged numerically; files of study missions to Europe and Guatemala (85A-F6.13); other files consisting of applications, press releases, printing and binding, schedule of meetings, requisitions, and vouchers (85A-F6.14), arranged alphabetically by subject; records of the Subcommittee on International Organizations and Movements (85A-F6.15), arranged alphabetically by name of persons interviewed and by the name of places where hearings were held; documents and memoranda relating to the Status of Forces Agreement (85A-F6.16), unarranged; general correspondence, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F6.17), arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent; correspondence requesting Congressional publications (85A-F6.18); reading files (85A-F6.19); records relating to the 12th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations (85A-F6.20), arranged according to a numerical listing; transcripts of executive meetings of the full committee (85A-F6.21); and transcripts of executive meetings of subcommittees (85A-F6.22). For reading files, including those of D.P. Hill, 1958-1959, see 86A-F6.14; and for records relating to the Mutual Security Program (1957-1962), see 87A-F5.9.

### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

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The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs include various subjects (85A-H5.1).

### **Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

## Committee on Government Operations 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

On July 3, 1952, the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments was changed to the Committee on Government Operations. The jurisdiction of the Committee on Government Operations pursuant to the rules of the 90th Congress included: budget and accounting measures, other than appropriations; reorganizations in the executive branch of the Government; receiving and examining reports of the Comptroller General of the United States and of submitting such recommendations to the House as it deems necessary or desirable in connection with the subject matter of such reports; studying the operation of Government activities at all levels with a view to determining its economy and efficiency; evaluating the effects of laws enacted to reorganize the legislative and executive branches of the Government; studying intergovernmental relationships between the United States and States and municipalities, and between the United States and international organizations of which the United States is a member.

## Committee Papers 1957-1958

### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Government Operations include executive communications (85A-F7.1), arranged numerically; audit reports from the General Accounting Office and reports required by law from the General Services Administration, the Departments of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Interior (85A-F7.2), arranged by name of subcommittee to whom reports were referred, thereunder according to a subject listing; general correspondence

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and related papers (85A-F7.3), arranged alphabetically by subject; reports and transcripts of hearings and various subjects (85A-F7.4).

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The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Government Operations include various subjects (85A-H6.1).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Special Subcommittee on Donable Property 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Special Subcommittee on Donable Property, Committee on Government Operations, contain papers available in subcommittee records from the 86th Congress: general correspondence, 1955-1960; correspondence with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, 1956-1959; and correspondence relating to donable program, 1953-1959; see 86A-F7.8.

Special Subcommittee on Government Information 1957-1958

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**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Special Subcommittee on Government Information, Committee on Government Operations, include printed hearings and reports for the 85th Congress; see 86A-F7.9.

**Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization, Committee on Government Operations, include transcripts of hearings (85A-F7.5).

**Subcommittee on General Government Activities 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on General Government Activities, Committee on Government Operations, include accompanying papers files of bills and resolutions referred to this subcommittee (85A-F7.6), arranged numerically by bill or resolution; correspondence, reports, and related papers from Federal agencies (85A-F7.7), arranged alphabetically by name of agency; and transcripts of subcommittee meetings (85A-F7.8).

**Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs, Committee on Government Operations, include records relating to the Department of Commerce, the Post Office Department, Federal Communications Commission, Interstate Commerce Commission, Inland Waterways Corporation, Office of Defense Mobilization, Small Business Administration, and other subjects, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.9), arranged according to a subject listing;

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records filed with the File Clerk on September 1, 1951, relating to tax amortization, labor racketeering, the Federal Prison Industries, Inc., the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and other subjects, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.10), arranged according to a subject listing; records filed with the File Clerk on September 22, 1961, concerning Federal Trade Commission's control on deceptive practices, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.11), arranged according to a subject listing; and records relating to the Treasury Department and related agencies, Brazil Export-Import loan, charitable organizations, and other subjects, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.12), arranged according to a subject listing.

**Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources, Committee on Government Operations, include correspondence with the Department of the Interior and related agencies, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.13), arranged according to a subject listing; General Accounting Office audit reports referred to this subcommittee (85A-F7.14), arranged according to a subject listing; case files and exhibits, 84th-85th Congresses (85A-F7.15), arranged numerically by case number; hearings relating to the Alaska native loan program, the joint land acquisition policy of the Departments of the Army and Interior, conditions at the Morningside Hospital, Portland, Oregon, research progress on the saline water program, and activities of the Virgin Islands Government and the Virgin Islands Corporation (85A-F7.16), arranged in the order described; and minutes, February 25, 1955 - May 2, 1958 (85A-F7.17).

**Subcommittee on International Operations 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on International Operations, Committee on Government Operations, include House Report No. 2712, 85th Congress, 2nd Session, Government Programs in International Education (85A-F7.18); operations of the Persian Service, Voice of America (85A-F7.19), unarranged; general files (85A-F7.20), arranged according

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to a subject listing; hearings and reports concerning Foreign Aid Construction Projects, State Department Public Opinion Polls, Use of Defense Support Funds for Economic and Political Purposes, and budget presentation of the International Cooperation Administration (85A-F7.21), arranged in the order described; and minutes (85A-F7.22).

### Committee on House Administration 1957-1958

#### **Biographical/Historical note**

The House Administration Committee was created on January 2, 1947, under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946. The new committee merged the functions and jurisdictions of the Committees on Accounts; Enrolled Bills; Memorials; Election of the President, Vice President, and Representatives in Congress; the Library; Printing; Disposition of Executive Papers; and the three committees on elections. The committee focuses on the internal procedures of the House, such as: appropriations, as well as auditing and settling all accounts with the contingent fund; employment of persons by the House, including clerks for Members and committees, and reporters of debates; matters relating to printing and correction of the "Congressional Record"; House accounts generally; assignment of office space for Members and committees; disposition of useless executive papers; measures relating to the election of the President, Vice President, or Members of Congress, corrupt practices, contested elections, credentials and qualifications, and Federal elections generally; services to the House, including the House Restaurant and administration of the House Office Buildings and of the House wing of the Capitol; travel of Members of the House; arranging a suitable program for each day observed by the House of Representatives as a memorial day in memory of Members of the Senate or House of Representatives who have died during the preceding period; examining all bills, amendments, and joint resolutions to see that they are correctly enrolled; reporting to the Sergeant at Arms of the House the travel of Members of the House; the House Library, statuary and pictures, acceptance or purchase of works of art for the Capitol. The Committee also has oversight for the Library of Congress, the Botanic Gardens, and the Smithsonian Institution and the incorporation of similar institutions. Subcommittees were added subsequently: Accounts; Elections; Printing; Enrolled Bills, Library, Disposition of Executive Papers, and Memorials. Joint committees were also added eventually: Disposition of Executive Papers, Library, and Printing.

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**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on House Administration include monthly reports of activities filed by each committee and special committee (85A-F8.1), arranged alphabetically by committee; mileage vouchers (85A-F8.2), arranged alphabetically by name of Congressman; replies to questionnaires sent to each member of the House of Representatives relative to administrative procedures in the House - allowances for office rent, office expenses, salaries of clerks, etc.; also summary of these replies (85A-F8.3), unarranged; ledger and copies of stationery requisitions (85A-F8.4), arranged alphabetically by name of committee or officer of the House; printed copies of bills referred to and printed copies of reports by this committee (85A-F8.5), contained in envelopes under Subcommittee of Accounts, Elections, Library, and Printing; copies of letters sent (85A-F8.6), arranged alphabetically by correspondent; general files - records of general information, electrical and mechanical equipment, parking, counterpart funds, minutes, etc. (85A-F8.7), arranged according to a subject listing; and legislative calendar (85A-F8.8).

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The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

**Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on House Administration include various subjects (85A-H7.1).

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The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

**Subcommittee on Accounts 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Accounts, Committee on House Administration, include accompanying papers files of bills and resolutions referred to this subcommittee (85A-F8.9), arranged numerically by bill or resolution; transcripts of hearings (85A-F8.10); general files (85A-F8.11), arranged according to a subject listing; records relating to resolutions providing funds and authorizations for expenditures of all committees of the House (85A-F8.12), arranged alphabetically by committee; a voucher register containing a record of 23,649 vouchers paid by the House of Representatives in the 85th Congress and a record of 284 vouchers for the Joint Senate - House Recording Facility, 83rd and 84th Congresses (85A-F8.13); and minutes with attached transcripts of proceedings (85A-F8.14).

**Subcommittee on Disposition of Executive Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Disposition of Executive Papers, Committee on House Administration, include disposal reports from the National Archives, accompanied by matching House committee reports (85A-F8.15), arranged numerically by disposal report number; and various subjects (85A-F8.16), unarranged.

**Subcommittee on Elections 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Elections, Committee on House Administration, include records on study of the operation and enforcement of the Hatch Act pursuant to H. Res.

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406, 85th Congress (85A-F8.17), arranged according to a subject listing; hearings on H.R. 433, H.R. 1167, and H. Res. 406, relating to the Hatch Act (85A-F8.18); general files - expenses, reading file, personnel, etc. (85A-F8.19), arranged alphabetically by subject; records relating to the contested election cases of Carter v. LeCompte, Dolliver v. Coad, Foley v. Quie, and Oliver v. Hale (85A-F8.20), arranged in the order described; certificates of ascertainment of the electors of President and Vice President of the United States (85A-F8.21); various subjects (85A-F8.22), unarranged; and minutes (85A-F8.23).

**Controlled Access Headings****Personal Name(s)**

- Carter, Steven V., 1915-1959
- Coad, Merwin, 1924 -
- Dolliver, James Isaac, 1894-1978
- Hale, Robert, 1889-1976
- Le Compte, Karl Miles, 1887-1972
- Oliver, James Churchill, 1895-1986
- Quie, Albert Harold, 1923 -

Subcommittee on Enrolled Bills 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Enrolled Bills, Committee on House Administration, include various subjects (85A-F8.24), unarranged; and a docket volume (85A-F8.25).

Subcommittee on the Library 1957-1958

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The committee papers of the Subcommittee on the Library, Committee on House Administration, include general records files - National Railroad Museum, rotunda ceremony for Unknown Soldiers, Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, Books for the Blind, Woodrow Wilson Memorial, National Floral Emblem, and others (85A-F8.26), arranged according to a numerical listing.

Subcommittee on Printing 1957-1958

### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Printing, Committee on House Administration, include accompanying paper files of bills and resolutions referred to this subcommittee (85A-F8.27), arranged numerically by bill or resolution; various subjects (85A-F8.28), unarranged; and minutes (85A-F8.29).

Subcommittee to Study Federal Printing and Paperwork 1957-1958

### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee to Study Federal Printing and Paperwork, Committee on House Administration, include records relating to depository libraries (H.R. 9186, H.R. 11042, H.R. 13140), publication and distribution of the "Digest of Public General Bills" and the "Official Register" of the United States (H.R. 11345), and hearings on military payment certificates, procurement and supply of paper for printing and office use in the Government, and sale and distribution of government publications by the Superintendent of Documents, and monthly reports (85A-F8.30), arranged according to a subject listing.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

Under the 1946 Reorganization Act, six standing committees--Public Lands, Indian Affairs, Territories, Mines and Mining, Irrigation and Reclamation, and Insular Affairs-- were merged to

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form a new committee. At the time of the merger, the committee assumed the name of Committee on Public Lands, but during the 82nd Congress (1951-52), the name was changed to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to reflect more accurately the responsibilities of the committee. The committee functioned through subcommittees that essentially mirrored the old standing committees that had existed before the 1946 merger. There were subcommittees on Indian affairs, irrigation and reclamation, mines and mining, public lands, and territories and insular affairs. The jurisdiction of the committee is as follows: a) Forest reserves and national parks created from the public domain; (b) Forfeiture of land grants and alien ownership, including alien ownership of mineral lands; (c) Geological Survey; (d) Interstate compacts relating to apportionment of waters for irrigation purposes; (e) Irrigation and reclamation projects, and easements of public lands for irrigation projects, and acquisition of private lands when necessary to complete irrigation projects; (f) Measures relating to the care, education, and management of Indians, including the care and allotment of Indian lands and general and special measures relating to claims which are paid out of Indian funds; (g) Measures relating generally to Hawaii, Alaska, and the insular possessions of the United States, except those affecting the revenue and appropriations; (h) Military parks and battlefields, and national cemeteries; (i) Mineral land laws and claims and entries thereunder; (j) Mineral resources of the public lands; (k) Mineral interests generally; (l) Mining schools and experimental stations; (m) Petroleum conservation on the public lands and conservation of the radium supply in the United States; (n) Preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest on the public domain; (o) Public lands generally, including entry, easements, and grazing thereon; (p) Relations of the United States with the Indians and the Indian tribes.

### Committee Papers 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs include executive communications (85A-F9.1), arranged numerically; hearings (85A-F9.2); legislative calendar (85A-F9.3); various subjects (85A-F9.4), unarranged; and minutes (85A-F9.5).

#### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

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### **Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs document Alaska (85A-H8.1); construction of Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River (85A-H8.2); control of the Missouri River (85A-H8.3); Guam (85A-H8.4); Hawaii (85A-H8.5); Indian Affairs (85A-H8.6); Puerto Rico (85A-H8.7); Virgin Islands (85A-H8.8); and various subjects (85A-H8.9).

### **Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce came into existence in 1892 when the name of the Committee on Commerce was changed. During most of the 19th century, there had been some inconsistency in the referral of certain customs-related matters. After 1895, however, the jurisdiction over customs districts, ports of entry and delivery, the transportation of dutiable goods, and officers and employees in the customs service passed to the Committee on Ways and Means. Similarly, for many years after the establishment of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee in December 1887, the division of jurisdiction over various matters relating to water transportation between the new committee and the Committee on Commerce (later, the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee) was inconsistently applied, but progressively more of these issues were referred to the Merchant Marine Committee. After passage of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, the House rules defined the jurisdiction of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee as follows: Interstate and foreign commerce generally; regulation of interstate and foreign transportation, except transportation by water not subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission;

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regulation of interstate and foreign communications; civil aeronautics; weather bureau; interstate oil compacts; petroleum and natural gas, except on the public lands; securities and exchanges; regulation of interstate transmission of power, except the installation of connections between Government water power projects; railroad labor and railroad retirement and unemployment, except revenue measures relating thereto; public health and quarantine; inland waterways; the Bureau of Standards and the standardization of weights and measures and the metric system.

### Committee Papers 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce include executive communications (85A-F10.1), arranged numerically; and various subjects (85A-F10.2), unarranged.

#### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

### Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce document amending the Natural Gas Act (85A-H9.1); amending the Railroad Retirement Act (85A-H9.2); pay television (85A-F9.3); prohibiting advertisement of alcoholic beverages (85A-H9.4); and various subjects (85A-H9.5).

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The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

**Committee on the Judiciary 1957-1958****Biographical/Historical note**

The standing Committee on the Judiciary was established on June 3, 1813, to take into consideration matters touching judicial proceedings. In 1880 the rule defining its jurisdiction was revised to read "judicial proceedings, civil and criminal law," and this remained the formal definition of the jurisdiction of the committee until the reorganization of Congress in 1946. Under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 the specialized claims committees that were in existence at that time were abolished and the claims that had been referred to them were to be referred to the Judiciary Committee or were dealt with by the executive agencies or the courts. Under the 1946 reorganization the already broad jurisdiction of the Judiciary Committee was expanded to include the subjects that had formerly been referred to the Committees on Patents, Immigration and Naturalization, Revision of Laws, Claims, and War Claims. In order to accommodate the broadened area of responsibility, the committee established standing subcommittees with specialized jurisdictions to deal with the new subject areas. The committee's jurisdiction includes judiciary and judicial proceedings, civil and criminal; administrative practice and procedure; apportionment of Representatives; bankruptcy, mutiny, espionage, and counterfeiting; civil liberties; constitutional amendments; criminal law enforcement; Federal courts and judges, and local courts in the Territories and possessions; immigration policy and nonborder enforcement; interstate compacts generally; claims against the United States; meetings of Congress; attendance of Members, Delegates, and the Resident Commissioner; and their acceptance of incompatible offices; National penitentiaries; patents, the Patent and Trademark Office, copyrights, and trademarks; Presidential succession; protection of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies; revision and codification of the Statutes of the United States; state and territorial boundary lines; and subversive activities affecting the internal security of the United States. The committee has oversight over the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on the Judiciary include executive communications (85A-F11.1), arranged numerically; hearings (85A-F11.2); and vouchers (85A-F11.2A).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary include various subjects (85A-H10.1).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, Committee on the Judiciary, include general correspondence (85A-F11.3), arranged alphabetically by correspondent; reading files, 1956-1958 (85A-F11.4); general records files - Europe, Feighan report, Hungarian refugees, ICEM, Japanese and Mexican labor, shepherders, Virgin Islands, and others (85A-F11.5), arranged alphabetically by subject; orders relating to aliens for suspension of deportation under Section 19(c) of the Immigration Act of 1917, as amended (54 Stat. 672), and lists of the persons involved, January 17, 1955 - August 15, 1957 (85A-F11.6); orders relating to aliens for non immigrant consideration under Section 212(a)(I)(ii) of

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the Immigration and Nationality Act (66 Stat. 186) and lists of persons involved, January 30, 1953 - December 10, 1957 (85A-F11.7); orders relating to aliens for nonimmigrant consideration under Section 212(d)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (66 Stat. 187) and lists of persons involved, March 13, 1953 - December 10, 1957 (85A-F11.8); orders relating to aliens for suspension of deportation under Section 244(a)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (66 Stat. 214) and lists of persons involved, January 16, 1956 - August 15, 1958 (85A-F11.9); orders relating to aliens for suspension of deportation under Section 244(a)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (66 Stat. 215) and lists of persons involved, January 16, 1956 - August 15, 1957 (85A-F11.10); and minutes (85A-F11.11). For orders and lists of cases pursuant to Section 4, of Displaced Persons Act, 1955-1961, see 87A-F10.5; orders and lists of cases (aliens for non-immigrant consideration) pursuant to Section 212(a)(I)(ii) and Section 212 (d)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 1958-1962, see 87A-F10.6; orders and lists of cases (suspension of deportation) pursuant to Section 19(c), Section 244 (a)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 1956-1962, see 87A-F10.7; orders and lists of cases pursuant to Section 6 of the Refugee Act of 1953, 1956-1962, see 87A-F10.8; and for orders and lists of cases (tubercular) pursuant to Section 6 of the Act of September 11, 1957 (PL85-316), 1958-1959, see 87A-F10.9.

Subcommittee to Investigate United States Escapee Program - Subcommittee No. 1 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

A separate finding aid is available for the Subcommittee's records.

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries was established on December 21, 1887, to replace the Select Committee on American Shipbuilding and Shipowning Interests. The House Rules defined its jurisdiction as those matters concerning the merchant marine. This included all matters relating to transportation by water, the Coast Guard, life-saving service, lighthouses, lightships, ocean derelicts, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, the Panama Canal, and fisheries. Legislation

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referred to the committee also included matters involving seamen (their assignments, wages, treatment, and health) and officers (their titles, conduct, and licensing); the naming, measuring, licensing, and registering of vessels; navigation and related laws; pleasure yachts; collisions at sea, as well as international arrangements to prevent them; coasting districts; maritime schools; and, taxes, fines, and penalties on vessels. The committee has also regulated shipping in the Philippines and Hawaii. As did most committees of the House, the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee created subcommittees to handle portions of its jurisdiction. In 1919 the committee was given jurisdiction over wireless telegraphy (radio), and in 1932 its name was changed to the Committee on Merchant Marine, Radio, and Fisheries. After a dispute with the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, the jurisdiction over radio services was transferred to that committee in 1935 and the term "radio" was dropped from the name of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. Under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 the jurisdiction of the committee was enlarged and more fully defined.

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#### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries include executive communications (85A-F12.1), arranged numerically; correspondence regarding disestablishment of Coast Guard lifeboat stations (85A-F12.2); correspondence regarding Coast Guard property disposals, 1956-1958 (85A-F12.3); correspondence relating to proposals to dispose of wildlife refuges (85A-F12.4), arranged alphabetically by name of refuge; hearings (85A-F12.5); legislative calendar (85A-F12.6); and minutes (85A-F12.7).

#### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

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The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries include various subjects (85A-H11.1).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Post Office and Civil Service Committee was established on January 2, 1947 as part of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946. It combined the jurisdictions of the former committees on Post Offices and Post Roads, Civil Service, and Census. The jurisdiction over the National Archives, formerly under the Library Committee, was also included. The formal jurisdiction of the committee included matters relating to: census and the collection of statistics generally; Federal Civil Service generally; National Archives; postal-savings banks; postal service generally, including the railway mail service, and measures relating to ocean mail and pneumatic-tube service, but excluding post roads; and the status of officers and employees of the United States, including their compensation, classification, and retirement.

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**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service include hearings (85A-F13.1); legislative calendar (85A-F13.2); and various subjects (85A-F13.3), unarranged.

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**Committee on Public Works 1957-1958****Biographical/Historical note**

The Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 established the Public Works Committee by combining the jurisdiction of four standing committees--Public Buildings and Grounds, Rivers and Harbors, Roads, and Flood Control. The four original committees retained their separate identities but were reduced to subcommittees. The jurisdiction of the Committee on Public Works was as follows: (a) Flood control and improvement of rivers and harbors. (b) Measures relating to the Capitol Building and the Senate and House Office Buildings. (c) Measures relating to the construction or maintenance of roads and post roads, other than appropriations therefore; but it shall not be in order for any bill providing general legislation in relation to roads to contain any provision for any specific road, nor for any bill in relation to a specific road to embrace a provision in relation to any other specific road. (d) Measures relating to the construction or reconstruction, maintenance, and care of the buildings and grounds of the Botanic Gardens, the Library of Congress, and the Smithsonian Institute. (e) Measures relating to the purchase of sites and construction of post offices, customhouses, Federal courthouses, and Government buildings within the District of Columbia. (f) Oil and other pollution of navigable waters. (g) Public buildings and occupied or improved grounds of the United States generally. (h) Public reservations and parks within the District of Columbia, including Rock Creek Park and the Zoological Park. (i) Public works for the benefit of navigation, including bridges and dams (other than international bridges and dams). (j) Water power.

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Public Works include executive communications (85A-F14.1), arranged numerically; legislative calendar (85A-F14.2); various subjects (85A-F14.3), unarranged; and minutes (85A-F14.4).

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**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Public Works include various subjects (85A-H12.1).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Committee on Rules 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Rules Committee was established as a select committee until 1880 when it was made a standing committee. Jurisdiction included the original establishment and revision of the rules of the House, an activity that required little attention after the first Congress because the rules of the previous Congress were usually adopted with few changes at the beginning of each new Congress. Further jurisdiction consisted of all proposed action on the rules and joint rules, control over the order of business on the floor of the House through the issuance of special orders or rules, and recesses and final adjournments of Congress.

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The committee papers of the Committee on Rules include hearings (85A-F15.1); and various subjects (85A-F15.2).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Rules include various subjects (85A-H13.1).

**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs was established under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946; its jurisdiction included the subjects that had been referred to the committees on World War Veterans' Legislation, Pensions, and Invalid Pensions before they were abolished by the Act. The creation of the Veterans' Affairs Committee brought all veterans' legislation into the consideration of one committee. Prior to the consolidation of committees under the 1946 reorganization the dispersal of responsibility for veterans' affairs among the several committees caused concern as to the fairness and equality of treatment. The formal jurisdiction of the Veterans' Affairs Committee includes matters relating to: Veterans' measures generally; compensation, vocational rehabilitation, and education of veterans; life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the armed

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forces; pensions of all the wars of the United States, general and special; readjustment of servicemen to civil life; soldiers' and sailors' civil relief; veterans' hospitals, medical care, and treatment of veterans.

### Committee Papers 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs include hearings (85A-F16.1); reading and cross reference files (85A-F16.2), arranged alphabetically by correspondent; individual cases (85A-F16.3), arranged alphabetically by claimant; general records files (85A-F16.4), arranged alphabetically by subject; investigation of fundraising activities carried on in the name of veterans (85A-F16.5), arranged alphabetically by the name of veterans organizations; housing investigation of the loan guaranty program of the Veterans' Administration, 1955-1958 (85A-F16.6), arranged alphabetically by subject; investigation of certain housing projects in New Jersey, 1955-1957 - Cherry Tree Terrace, Countrywood Estates, Florham Park, Holmdel Manor, Kendall Park, Kings Point, Lawrence Brook, Lincraft Acres, Lyn Oakes, Wanaque Homes, Westbury Park, and the builder, Sommer Brothers (85A-F16.7), arranged in the order described, reports and miscellaneous records filed at the end; and various subjects (85A-F16.8), unarranged.

#### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

### Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs document the establishment of a Veterans' Hospital in South Texas (85A-H14.1); and various subjects (85A-H14.2).

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**Arrangement note**

The petitions are arranged numerically by journal number, and memorials are arranged chronologically by the date referred.

Minority Files 1957-1958

**Scope and Contents note**

The Minority Files of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs include records found in the files of the 86th Congress: general correspondence, 1957-1958; see 86A-F16.9.

Committee on Ways and Means 1957-1958

**Biographical/Historical note**

The Committee on Ways and Means is the oldest standing committee in Congress. In 1795 another Select Committee on Ways and Means was formed, and was regularly reappointed in each session until it was defined as a standing committee in 1802. The jurisdiction of the committee includes customs revenue, collection districts, and ports of entry and delivery; reciprocal trade agreements; revenue measures generally; revenue measures relating to insular possessions; bonded debt of the United States, subject to the last sentence of clause 4(f); deposit of public monies; transportation of dutiable goods; tax exempt foundations and charitable trusts; and national social security (except health care and facilities programs that are supported from general revenues as opposed to payroll deductions and except work incentive programs).

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**Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Committee on Ways and Means include pressure mail relating to H.R. 9, H.R. 10, H.R. 502, H.R. 645, H.R. 1154, H.R. 1157, H.R. 1176, H.R. 4662, H.R. 5551,

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H.R. 5735, H.R. 6032, H.R. 6452, H.R. 7036, H.R. 7086, H.R. 7125, H.R. 8883, H.R. 9119, H.R. 9237, H.R. 9467, H.R. 10368, H.R. 10650, H.R. 10818, H.R. 11258, H.R. 11402, H.R. 11507, H.R. 12269, H.R. 12591, H.R. 12676, National Association of Life Underwriters' proposed amendment to Section 62(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code, and social security (85A-F17.1), arranged in the order described; correspondence relating to hearings on general revenue revision, narcotics, newsprint, reciprocal trade, renegotiation, social security, and unemployment compensation (85A-F17.2), arranged in the order described; general correspondence (85A-F17.3), arranged alphabetically by subject; correspondence relating to foreign trade and tariff (85A-F17.4), arranged alphabetically by subject; and correspondence relating to social security (85A-F17.5), arranged alphabetically by subject.

### **Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

Petitions and Memorials, Resolutions of State Legislatures, and Related Documents Which Were Referred to Committees 1957-1958

### **Scope and Contents note**

The petitions and memorials, resolutions of state legislatures, and related documents which were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means document the extension of the Trade Agreements Act (85A-H15.1); pension plans by self-employed individuals (85A-H15.2); repeal of the excise tax on transportation of persons and property (85A-H15.3); social security (85A-H15.4); and various subjects (85A-H15.5).

House Un-American Activities Committee 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

In 1945 the House Un-American Activities Committee was created as a permanent standing committee to replace the temporary Select Committee on Un-American Activities (the Dies Committee) that had existed since 1938. The committee was commonly known by its acronym

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HUAC until 1969, when its name was changed to the Committee on Internal Security. In 1975 the committee was abolished and its jurisdiction transferred to the Judiciary Committee. The committee was authorized to "make from time to time investigations of (1) the extent, character, and objects of un-American propaganda activities in the United States, (2) the diffusion within the United States of subversive and un-American propaganda that is instigated from foreign countries or of a domestic origin and attacks the principle or the form of government as guaranteed by our Constitution, and (3) all other questions in relation thereto that would aid Congress in any necessary remedial legislation."

### **Scope and Contents note**

A separate finding aid for the records of the House Un-American Activities Committee is available.

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy 1957-1958

### **Biographical/Historical note**

The Joint Committee on Atomic Energy was established by the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 (Public Law 79-585). The committee was created to "make continuing studies of the activities of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) and of problems relating to the development, use, and control of atomic energy." Created to serve as a "watchdog" of the U.S. atomic energy program, the committee monitored the Government's classified and unclassified activities involving peaceful and military applications of atomic energy. The committee held hearings in both public and executive sessions, reported bills, undertook studies, and published reports, committee prints, and hearings transcripts that sometimes included testimony taken in executive session with classified material deleted. Through hearings and other public informational activities, the committee played a significant role in encouraging peacetime uses of atomic energy. The committee dealt with such subjects as the budget authorization bills for the Atomic Energy Commission, international agreements regarding atomic energy stemming from President Dwight D. Eisenhower's "Atoms-For-Peace" speech of December 1953, and various mutual defense agreements.

### **Scope and Contents note**

A separate finding aid for the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy's records is available.

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**Select Committee on Campaign Expenditures 1957-1958****Biographical/Historical note**

On July 21, 1954, the House of Representatives, following custom, created, by adopting House Resolution 439, 83rd Congress, a select committee to oversee the 1954 campaigns of candidates for election to the House. The committee previously had been established in the 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, and 84th Congresses.

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Select Committee on Campaign Expenditures include various subjects (85A-F18.1).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

**Select Committee on Small Business 1957-1958****Biographical/Historical note**

On December 4, 1941, the U. S. House of Representatives created the first House Select Committee on Small Business. The select committee was established in response to a growing number of small business activists and organizations advocating for more protections and better government policies for America's small businesses. While it had no legislative authority, the select committee became popular with House members and was reauthorized each Congress until January 5, 1975, when it was made a permanent standing committee. House members then granted the new standing

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committee with certain areas of legislative jurisdiction and oversight functions, increasing its scope and influence.

**Committee Papers 1957-1958****Scope and Contents note**

The committee papers of the Select Committee on Small Business include various subjects (85A-F19.1).

**Arrangement note**

The subjects are arranged chronologically within each group, unless otherwise indicated.

**Originals of Printed House Documents 1957-1958 12.0 Cubic feet (48 volumes)****Scope and Contents note**

The originals of printed House documents are from the first session (85A-G1); and second session (85A-G2).

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The records are arranged numerically within each group.

**Election Records 1957-1958 2.0 Cubic feet****Scope and Contents note**

The election records include credentials of Representatives and Delegates (85A-J1), arranged alphabetically by state or territory; oaths of office of Representatives and Delegates (85A-J2), arranged alphabetically by state or territory; and original report of the tellers, on the part of both the House and

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Senate, of the result of the ascertainment and counting of the electoral vote for President and Vice President of the United States for the term beginning January 20, 1957 (85A-J3).

**Other Records 1957-1958 2.0 Cubic feet****Scope and Contents note**

Other records include announcements of Senate appointments to membership on boards, conferences, and joint committees (85A-K1); a volume of motions to discharge committees from consideration of bills and resolutions (85A-K2); and roll calls (85A-K3).

**Records of the Office of the Clerk 1957-1958****Record Books 1957-1958 3.0 Cubic feet (7 volumes)****Scope and Contents note**

The records books include a House bill book (85C-A1); House resolution book - joint, concurrent, and simple together with Senate joint and concurrent resolutions (85C-A2); Senate bill book (85C-A3); individual ledger (85C-A4); and register of committee reports, messages from the President, and executive communications (85C-A5).

**Other Records 1957-1958 1.0 Cubic feet****Scope and Contents note**

Other records of the Journal Clerk include announcements by the Speaker (85C-B1.1); communications from the Clerk of the House (85C-B1.2); communications from members of the House (85C-B1.3); receipt books showing papers to the Enrolling Clerk (85C-B1.4); reports from the Committee on House Administration showing bills and resolutions presented to the President for his approval (85C-B1.5); reports from the White House showing bills and resolutions approved by the President (85C-B1.6); and

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messages from the President, including veto messages (85C-B1.7). Records of the Reading Clerk include receipt books (85C-B2.1); and daily work sheets (85C-B2.2).