

**Records of the Ad Hoc Committee on Energy  
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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>	Records of the Ad Hoc Committee on Energy
<b>Date</b>	1977-1978
<b>Extent</b>	4.0 Cubic feet (10 archival boxes)
<b>Language</b>	English

## **Biographical/Historical note**

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The Ad Hoc Committee on Energy had its origins in the office of Speaker Tip O'Neill. It was created by H.Res. 508 on April 21, 1977. Creating a national energy plan was one of the tentpoles of President Jimmy Carter's campaign. At the time, virtually every committee had jurisdiction over some aspect energy policy; nonetheless, the creation of standing committee to deal with energy matters was an even more formidable task. Speaker O'Neill determined that the creation of an ad hoc committee to deal with specific energy issues was more realistic. Members of the ad hoc committee would be drawn from committees that already dealt with energy issues. The mandate of the committee was limited to dealing with President Carter's energy message, and the committee was only to handle discrepancies in energy legislation that came out of the standing committees in order to ensure all legislation was consistent with the president's energy policy. The goal of the Ad Hoc Committee on Energy was for the House to consider a comprehensive energy policy by the end of the first session of the 95th Congress that was based on the recommendations of the standing committees and the Ad Hoc Committee. The committee's work culminated in the National Energy Act.

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## **Scope and Contents note**

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The records are primarily the published work product of the Ad Hoc Committee on Energy, including transcripts of hearings, reports, briefings, and reported legislation.

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## **Arrangement note**

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There is a single series of committee papers, which includes correspondence, legislative files, reports, and briefings.

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## **Administrative Information**

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## **Publication Information**

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## **Rule VII**

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

**Committee papers (10 archival boxes)**

### **Scope and Contents note**

House reports, rules for the Ad Hoc Committee on Energy for the 95th Congress, bills, briefings held by the committee, transcripts, amendments offered during markup, and legislative correspondence.