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## Summary Information

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| <b>Repository</b>       | Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives and Records Administration |
| <b>Creator</b>          | Committee on Science and Technology.  |
| <b>Title</b>            | Records of the Committee on Science and Technology                            |
| <b>Date [inclusive]</b> | 1979-1980   |
| <b>Extent</b>           | 16.0 Linear feet (32 archival boxes)  |
| <b>Language</b>         | English   |

## **Biographical/Historical note**

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In 1958, the Select Committee on Astronautics and Space Exploration was created. This Select Committee wrote the Space Act, which established the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the permanent House Committee on Science and Astronautics, the forerunner of the present Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. The Committee's initial jurisdiction included exploration and control of outer space, aeronautical research and development, scientific research and development, science scholarships and legislation relating to scientific agencies. The Committee's jurisdiction was expanded to include legislation related to energy, the environment, the atmosphere, civil aviation research and development and the National Weather Service. The Committee on Science and Technology was also given a "special oversight" function providing for exclusive responsibility among all Congressional Standing Committees to review and study, on a continuing basis, all laws, programs and government activities involving Federal non-military research and development.

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## **Science and Technology, 96th Congress**

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Files are bill files, presidential messages, executive communications, and minutes, and printed hearings and reports. Legislative calendar is in Box 20.

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## **Arrangement note**

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Files are arranged into bill files, official communications, and committee files.

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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

### **Bill files (11 archival boxes)**

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

House and Senate bills referred to the committee.

### **Committee files (12 archival boxes)**

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

Full committee and subcommittee minutes, legislative calendar, summary of activities, prints of all hearings and reports.

#### **Arrangement note**

Arranged chronologically.

### **Official communications (8 archival boxes)**

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

Presidential messages, executive communications.