


Legal Resources in the UI Library Government Documents

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Locating Congressional Publications

- Open WorldCat
- UI Library Catalog
- LexisNexis
- Legislative Branch Resources on GPO Access
- Library of Congress Thomas



Legislative history documents

- **Bills** - draft legislation introduced in either the House or the Senate
- **Amendments** - text of changes made to bills
- **Prints** - draft legislation, situation reports, statistical information, historical information, or legislative analyses
- **Hearings** - transcripts from proceedings by congressional committees



Legislative history documents

- **House & Senate Committee Reports** - summarize the purpose and scope of a particular bill
- **House & Senate Documents** - contain Presidential messages on new legislation or vetoes, special reports of executive branch agencies, or biannual reports on committee activities
- **Conference reports** - explain all conference committee compromises
- **Debates & votes**
- **President messages**



Locating Bills & Resolutions

<p>The Library of Congress's <u>Century of Lawmaking</u> and <u>House and Senate bills and resolutions</u> from 1823 through 1873 18th to 42nd Congresses. Some bills from the 13th to the 17th Congress</p>	<p><i>Final Cumulative Finding Aid, House and Senate Bills</i> Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.28 From 96 Congress 1981/82 to 106 Congress 2000/01 Indexes microfiche collection</p>
<p><u>Congressional Bills – GPO Access</u> From 103rd (1993-94)-</p>	<p><u>THOMAS: Search Bills & Resolutions</u> From 101st Congress 1989-</p>



Finding Amendments

<p><i>Congressional Record</i> From 1874- <i>Congressional Glob via</i> <u>Congress's American Memory Project</u> the 23rd through 42nd Congresses (1833-73)</p>	<p><u>THOMAS: Search Bills and Resolutions</u> the Bill Summary & Status (1973-present) Full Text (1989-present)</p>
	<p><u>GalleryWatch.com</u> PDF copies of committee markup amendments From 2001-</p>



Locating Committee Prints

<p><i>CIS U.S. Congressional Committee Prints Index</i> Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.8X: Cong. Coverage through 1969</p>	<p><i>Serial Set Index</i> Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.7X Coverage 1789-1969</p>
<p><u>GPO Access: Congressional Committee Prints</u> Full text : 105th Congress (1997)-present</p>	<p>CIS Index - LexisNexis Abstracts from 91st Congress (1970)-present Full text (selected prints only): 103th Congress (1993)- present</p>



Locating Committee Hearings

<p><i>Cumulative Subject Index to the Monthly Catalog of the United States government publications</i></p> <p>Call #Ref/Doc GP 3.8X: Subject</p> <p>Coverage 1900-1971</p>	<p><i>Monthly Catalog of the United States Government Publications</i></p> <p>Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.8 and Ref/Doc GP 3.8/8</p> <p>Coverage 1895 to present</p>
<p>CIS Index in Congressional Universe</p> <p>Abstracts from 91st Congress (1970)-present</p> <p>Full text : 100th Congress, 2nd Session (1988)-present</p>	<p><u>Congressional Hearings in GPO Access</u></p> <p>Full text : 105th Congress (1997)-present</p>



House & Senate Committee Reports

<p><i>CIS US Serial Set Index</i> Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.7X From 1789 - 1969</p>	<p><i>Numerical Lists and Schedules of Volumes, Reports and Documents Of the Senate and House</i> Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.7 From 61st Congress (1909/10)-104th Congress (1995/96)</p>
<p><u>GPO Access:</u> <u>Congressional Reports</u> Full text : 104th Congress 1995-present Search reports by keyword or number.</p>	



House & Senate Committee Documents & Executive Orders

<p><i>CIS index to presidential executive orders & proclamations</i></p> <p>Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.8X:Pres.</p> <p>Coverage 1789-1983</p>	<p><i>CIS US Serial Set Index</i></p> <p>Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.7X</p> <p>From 1789 - 1969</p>
<p><u>GPO Access: House, Senate and Treaty Documents</u></p> <p>Full text : 104th Congress 1995 - present</p> <p>Search selected House, Senate and Treaty</p>	<p><i>Kappler's Indian Affairs, Laws and Treaties</i></p> <p>Call # Ref/Doc Y 4.IN 2/2:L 44</p>



Conference Reports

CIS US Serial Set Index

Call # Ref/Doc GP 3.7X

From 1789 – 1969

United States Code Congressional and Administrative News

UI Law Library Stacks

Call # unclassified; shelf 210

Contains laws, legislative history, administrative regulations, lists of committees, proclamations, executive messages and orders.

Debates & Votes

<p>Library of Congress's <u>A Century of Lawmaking</u></p>	<p><u>Voteview.com</u> Roll Call Data, last 50 Senate votes, and nomination data.</p>
<p><i>The House and Senate Journals</i> <u>Early issues</u> <u>Recent issues</u></p>	<p><i>Congressional Record</i> Each numbered Congress has its own indexed volume or volumes of the Congressional Record, arranged in chronological order.</p>



Presidential messages

- ***CQ Weekly***

Congressional magazine on government, commerce and politics

- ***U.S. Congressional Serial Set***

Look here for presidential messages



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