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					Senate	House		
1st	1	Mar. 4, 1789	Sept. 29, 1789 ..	210	John Langdon, ² of New Hampshire	Frederick A.C. Muhlenberg, of Pennsylvania.
	2	Jan. 4, 1790	Aug. 12, 1790	221	.....	.....	.....do.....	
2d * ..	3	Dec. 6, 1790	Mar. 3, 1791	88	.....	.....	Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia	Jonathan Trumbull, of Connecticut.
	1	Oct. 24, 1791	Mar. 8, 1792	197	.....	.....	John Langdon, of New Hampshire	
3d * ..	2	Nov. 5, 1792	Mar. 2, 1793	119	.....	.....	.....do.....	Frederick A.C. Muhlenberg, of Pennsylvania.
	1	Dec. 2, 1793	June 9, 1794	190	.....	.....	Ralph Izard, of South Carolina	
	2	Nov. 3, 1794	Mar. 3, 1795	121	.....	.....	Henry Tazewell, of Virginia	Jonathan Dayton, of New Jersey.
4th * ..	1	Dec. 7, 1795	June 1, 1796	177	.....	.....	.....do.....	
	2	Dec. 5, 1796	Mar. 3, 1797	89	.....	.....	Samuel Livermore, of New Hampshire	
5th * ..	1	May 15, 1797 ³	July 10, 1797	57	.....	.....	William Bingham, of Pennsylvania	Do.
	2	Nov. 13, 1797	July 16, 1798	246	.....	.....	Jacob Read, of South Carolina	George Dent, of Maryland. ⁴
	3	Dec. 3, 1798	Mar. 3, 1799	91	.....	.....	Theodore Sedgwick, of Massachusetts	
6th	1	Dec. 2, 1799	May 14, 1800	164	.....	.....	John Laurence, of New York	Theodore Sedgwick, of Massachusetts.
	2	Nov. 17, 1800	Mar. 3, 1801	107	.....	.....	Samuel Livermore, of New Hampshire	
7th * ..	1	Dec. 7, 1801	May 3, 1802	148	.....	Dec. 23-Dec. 30, 1800	Uriah Tracy, of Connecticut	
	2	Dec. 6, 1802	Mar. 3, 1803	88	.....	.....	John E. Howard, of Maryland	
8th	1	Oct. 17, 1803 ³	Mar. 27, 1804 ..	163	.....	.....	James Hillhouse, of Connecticut	Nathaniel Macon, of North Carolina.
	2	Nov. 5, 1804	Mar. 3, 1805	119	.....	.....	Abraham Baldwin, of Georgia	
9th	1	Dec. 2, 1805	Apr. 21, 1806	141	.....	.....	Stephen R. Bradley, of Vermont	Do.
	2	Dec. 1, 1806	Mar. 3, 1807	93	.....	.....	John Brown, of Kentucky	
10th ...	1	Oct. 26, 1807 ³	Apr. 25, 1808	182	.....	.....	Jesse Franklin, of North Carolina	
	2	Nov. 7, 1808	Mar. 3, 1809	117	.....	.....	Joseph Anderson, of Tennessee	Do.
	1	May 22, 1809	June 28, 1809	38	.....	.....	.....do.....	Joseph B. Varnum, of Massachusetts.
11th *	2	Nov. 27, 1809	May 1, 1810	156	.....	.....	Stephen R. Bradley, of Vermont	
	3	Dec. 3, 1810	Mar. 3, 1811	91	.....	.....	John Milledge, of Georgia	Do.
12th ...	1	Nov. 4, 1811 ³	July 6, 1812	245	.....	.....	Andrew Gregg, of Pennsylvania	
	2	Nov. 2, 1812	Mar. 3, 1813	122	.....	.....	John Gaillard, of South Carolina	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
13th	1	May 24, 1813	Aug. 2, 1813	71	John Pope, of Kentucky	
					William H. Crawford, of Georgia	Do.

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					Senate	House		
14th ...	2	Dec. 6, 1813	Apr. 18, 1814	134	Joseph B. Varnum, of Massachusetts.	Langdon Cheves, ² of South Carolina.
15th *	3	Sept. 10, 1814 ³	Mar. 30, 1815	146	.....	.....	John Gaillard, of South Carolina	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
16th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1815	Apr. 30, 1816	148	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
17th ...	2	Dec. 2, 1816	Mar. 3, 1817	92	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
18th ...	1	Dec. 1, 1817	Apr. 20, 1818	141	.....	Dec. 24-Dec. 29, 1817	James Barbour, of Virginia	John W. Taylor, ⁶ of New York.
19th *	2	Nov. 16, 1818	Mar. 3, 1819	108	.....	.....	John Gaillard, of South Carolina	Philip P. Barbour, of Virginia.
20th ...	1	Dec. 6, 1819	May 15, 1820	162	.....	.....	.....do.....	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
21st ...	2	Nov. 13, 1820	Mar. 3, 1821	111	.....	.....	.....do.....	John W. Taylor, of New York.
22d ...	1	Dec. 3, 1821	May 8, 1822	157	.....	.....	.....do.....	Andrew Stevenson, of Virginia.
23d ...	2	Dec. 1, 1823	May 27, 1824	178	.....	.....	Nathaniel Macon, of North Carolina	Do.
24th ...	1	Dec. 6, 1824	Mar. 3, 1825	88	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
25th *	2	Dec. 5, 1825	May 22, 1826	169	.....	.....	Samuel Smith, of Maryland	Do.
26th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1826	Mar. 3, 1827	90	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
27th ...	2	Dec. 3, 1827	May 26, 1828	175	.....	Dec. 24-Dec. 29, 1828	Littleton Waller Tazewell, of Virginia.	Do.
28th ...	1	Dec. 1, 1828	Mar. 3, 1829	93	.....	.....	Hugh Lawson White, of Tennessee.	Do.
29th *	2	Dec. 7, 1829	May 31, 1830	176	.....	.....	George Pondexter, of Mississippi	Do.
30th ...	1	Dec. 6, 1830	Mar. 3, 1831	88	.....	.....	John Tyler, of Virginia	James K. Polk, of Tennessee.
31st ...	2	Dec. 3, 1831	July 16, 1832	225	.....	.....	William R. King, of Alabama	Do.
32d ...	1	Dec. 2, 1833	Mar. 2, 1833	91	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
33d ...	2	Dec. 3, 1833	June 30, 1834	211	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
34th ...	1	Dec. 1, 1834	Mar. 3, 1835	93	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
35th *	2	Dec. 7, 1835	July 4, 1836	211	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
36th ...	1	Dec. 5, 1836	Mar. 3, 1837	89	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
37th ...	2	Sept. 4, 1837 ³	Oct. 16, 1837	43	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
38th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1837	July 9, 1838	218	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
39th ...	2	Dec. 3, 1838	Mar. 3, 1839	91	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
40th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1839	July 21, 1840	233	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
41st ...	2	Dec. 7, 1840	Mar. 3, 1841	87	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
42nd ...	1	May 31, 1841 ³	Sept. 13, 1841	106	.....	.....	Samuel L. Southard, of New Jersey	Do.
43rd ...	2	Dec. 6, 1841	Aug. 31, 1842	269	.....	.....	Willie P. Mangum, of North Carolina.	Do.
44th ...	1	Dec. 5, 1842	Mar. 3, 1843	89	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
45th ...	2	Dec. 4, 1843	June 17, 1844	196	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
46th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1844	Mar. 3, 1845	92	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
47th ...	2	Dec. 1, 1845	Aug. 10, 1846	253	.....	.....	David R. Atchison, of Missouri	Do.
48th ...	1	Dec. 7, 1846	Mar. 3, 1847	87	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.
49th ...	2	Dec. 6, 1847	Aug. 14, 1848	254	.....	.....	.....do.....	Do.

Robert C. Winthrop, of Massachusetts.

31st *	2	Dec. 4, 1848	Mar. 3, 1849	90	.....	.....	.....do.	William R. King, of Alabama	Howell Cobb, of Georgia.
	1	Dec. 3, 1849	Sept. 30, 1850	302	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	.....
32d *	1	Dec. 3, 1850	Mar. 3, 1851	92	.....	.....	.....do.	David R. Atchison, of Missouri.	Linn Boyd, of Kentucky.
	2	Dec. 1, 1851	Aug. 31, 1852	275	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	.....
33d *	1	Dec. 6, 1852	Mar. 3, 1853	88	.....	.....	.....do.	Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	Do.
	2	Dec. 5, 1853	Aug. 7, 1854	246	.....	.....	.....do.	Lewis Cass, of Michigan.	.....
34th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1854	Mar. 3, 1855	90	.....	.....	.....do.	Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	Nathaniel P. Banks, of Massachusetts.
	2	Dec. 3, 1855	Aug. 18, 1856	260	.....	.....	.....do.	James M. Mason, of Virginia.	.....
	3	Dec. 1, 1856	Aug. 30, 1856	10	.....	.....	.....do.	Thomas J. Rusk, of Texas.	.....
		Dec. 1, 1856	Mar. 3, 1857	93	.....	.....	.....do.	Benjamin Fitzpatrick, of Alabama	James L. Orr, of South Carolina.
35th *	1	Dec. 7, 1857	June 14, 1858	189	Dec. 23, 1857-Jan. 4, 1858	Dec. 23, 1857-Jan. 4, 1858	.....	.....	William Pennington, of New Jersey.
36th *	2	Dec. 6, 1858	Mar. 3, 1859	88	Dec. 23, 1858-Jan. 4, 1859	Dec. 23, 1858-Jan. 4, 1859	.....	.....	William Pennington, of New Jersey.
	1	Dec. 5, 1859	June 25, 1860	202	.....	.....	.....	Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania.
	2	Dec. 3, 1860	Mar. 3, 1861	93	.....	.....	.....do.	Solomon Foot, of Vermont.	.....
37th *	1	July 4, 1861 ³	Aug. 6, 1861	34	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 2, 1861	July 17, 1862	228	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Schuyler Colfax, of Indiana.
	3	Dec. 1, 1862	Mar. 3, 1863	93	Dec. 23, 1862-Jan. 5, 1863	Dec. 23, 1862-Jan. 5, 1863	.....	.....	Do.
38th *	1	Dec. 7, 1863	July 4, 1864	209	Dec. 23, 1863-Jan. 5, 1864	Dec. 23, 1863-Jan. 5, 1864	.....	Daniel Clark, of New Hampshire.	Do.
	2	Dec. 5, 1864	Mar. 3, 1865	89	Dec. 22, 1864-Jan. 5, 1865	Dec. 22, 1864-Jan. 5, 1865	.....	.....	Do.
39th *	1	Dec. 4, 1865	July 28, 1866	237	Dec. 6-Dec. 11, 1865	Dec. 6-Dec. 11, 1865	.....	Lafayette S. Foster, of Connecticut	Do.
	2	Dec. 3, 1866	Mar. 3, 1867	91	Dec. 21, 1865-Jan. 5, 1866	Dec. 21, 1865-Jan. 5, 1866	.....	Benjamin F. Wade, of Ohio.	Do.
40th *	1	Mar. 4, 1867	Dec. 1, 1867	273	Dec. 20, 1866-Jan. 3, 1867	Dec. 20, 1866-Jan. 3, 1867	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 2, 1867	Nov. 10, 1868	345	Mar. 30-July 3, 1867	Mar. 30-July 3, 1867	.....	.....	.....
					July 20-Nov. 21, 1867	July 20-Nov. 21, 1867	.....	.....	.....
					Dec. 20, 1867-Jan. 6, 1868	Dec. 20, 1867-Jan. 6, 1868	.....	.....	.....
					July 27-Sept. 21, 1868	Sept. 21-Oct. 16, 1868	.....	.....	.....
					Sept. 21-Oct. 16, 1868	Oct. 16-Nov. 10, 1868	.....	.....	.....
					Oct. 16-Nov. 10, 1868	Dec. 21, 1868-Jan. 5, 1869	.....	.....	.....
					Dec. 21, 1868-Jan. 5, 1869	.....	.....	.....	Theodore M. Pomeroy, ⁸ of New York.
41st *	3	Dec. 7, 1868	Mar. 3, 1869	87	.....	.....	.....do.	Henry B. Anthony, of Rhode Island	James G. Blaine, of Maine.
	1	Mar. 4, 1869	Apr. 10, 1869	38	Dec. 22, 1869-Jan. 10, 1870	Dec. 22, 1869-Jan. 10, 1870	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 6, 1869	July 15, 1870	222	Dec. 23, 1870-Jan. 4, 1871	Dec. 22, 1870-Jan. 4, 1871	.....	.....	.....
42d *	3	Dec. 5, 1870	Mar. 3, 1871	89	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Do.
	1	Mar. 4, 1871	Apr. 20, 1871	48	Dec. 21, 1871-Jan. 8, 1872	Dec. 21, 1871-Jan. 8, 1872	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 4, 1871	June 10, 1872	190	Dec. 20, 1872-Jan. 6, 1873	Dec. 20, 1872-Jan. 6, 1873	.....	.....	.....
	3	Dec. 2, 1872	Mar. 3, 1873	92	Dec. 21, 1871-Jan. 8, 1872	Dec. 21, 1871-Jan. 8, 1872	.....	.....	.....
43d *	1	Dec. 1, 1873	June 23, 1874	204	Dec. 19, 1873-Jan. 5, 1874	Dec. 19, 1873-Jan. 5, 1874	.....	Matthew H. Carpenter, of Wisconsin	Do.
	2	Dec. 7, 1874	Mar. 3, 1875	87	Dec. 23, 1874-Jan. 5, 1875	Dec. 23, 1874-Jan. 5, 1875	.....	Henry B. Anthony, of Rhode Island.	.....
					Dec. 20, 1875-Jan. 5, 1876	Dec. 21, 1875-Jan. 5, 1876	.....	Thomas W. Ferry, of Michigan	.....
44th *	1	Dec. 6, 1875	Aug. 15, 1876	254	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Michael C. Kerr, ⁹ of Indiana.
					.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Samuel S. Cox, ¹⁰ of New York, pro tempore.
					.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Milton Saylor, ¹¹ of Ohio, pro tempore.
45th *	2	Dec. 4, 1876	Mar. 3, 1877	90	.....	.....	.....do.	.....	Samuel J. Randall, of Pennsylvania.
	1	Oct. 15, 1877	Dec. 3, 1877	50	Dec. 15, 1877-Jan. 10, 1878	Dec. 15, 1877-Jan. 10, 1878	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 3, 1877	June 20, 1878	200	Dec. 20, 1878-Jan. 7, 1879	Dec. 20, 1878-Jan. 7, 1879
	3	Dec. 2, 1878	Mar. 3, 1879	92do.

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	2	Dec. 1, 1879	June 16, 1880	196	Dec. 23, 1880-Jan. 5, 1881 ..	Dec. 23, 1880-Jan. 5, 1881 ..	Thos. F. Bayard, of Delaware	J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio.
47th *	3	Dec. 1, 1880	Mar. 3, 1881	88	Dec. 22, 1881-Jan. 5, 1882 ..	Dec. 22, 1881-Jan. 5, 1882 ..	David Davis, of Illinois	
	1	Dec. 5, 1881	Aug. 8, 1882	247			George F. Edmunds, of Vermont.	
	2	Dec. 4, 1882	Mar. 3, 1883	90	Dec. 24, 1883-Jan. 7, 1884	Dec. 24, 1883-Jan. 7, 1884	John Sherman, of Ohio	John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky.
48th ...	1	Dec. 3, 1883	July 7, 1884	218	Dec. 24, 1884-Jan. 5, 1885	Dec. 24, 1884-Jan. 5, 1885	John J. Ingalls, of Kansas	Do.
	2	Dec. 1, 1884	Mar. 3, 1885	93	Dec. 21, 1885-Jan. 4, 1886	Dec. 21, 1885-Jan. 4, 1886	Do.	
49th *	1	Dec. 1, 1885	Aug. 5, 1886	242	Dec. 22, 1886-Jan. 4, 1887	Dec. 22, 1886-Jan. 4, 1887	Do.	
	2	Dec. 6, 1886	Mar. 3, 1887	88	Dec. 22, 1887-Jan. 4, 1888	Dec. 22, 1887-Jan. 4, 1888	Charles F. Manderson, of Nebraska.	Do.
50th ...	1	Dec. 3, 1887	Oct. 20, 1888	321	Dec. 21, 1888-Jan. 2, 1889	Dec. 21, 1888-Jan. 2, 1889	Isam G. Harris, of Tennessee.	Thomas B. Reed, of Maine.
	2	Dec. 3, 1888	Mar. 3, 1889	91	Dec. 21, 1889-Jan. 6, 1890	Dec. 21, 1889-Jan. 6, 1890	Do.	Charles F. Crisp, of Georgia.
51st *	1	Dec. 2, 1889	Oct. 1, 1890	304			Do.	
	2	Dec. 1, 1890	Mar. 3, 1891	93	Dec. 22, 1892-Jan. 4, 1893 ..	Dec. 22, 1892-Jan. 4, 1893 ..	Do.	
52d ...	1	Dec. 7, 1891	Aug. 5, 1892	251	Dec. 23, 1894-Jan. 3, 1895 ..	Dec. 23, 1894-Jan. 3, 1895 ..	Do.	
	2	Dec. 5, 1892	Mar. 3, 1893	89			Do.	
53d *	1	Aug. 7, 1893 ³ ...	Nov. 3, 1893	89	Dec. 22, 1896-Jan. 5, 1897 ..	Dec. 22, 1896-Jan. 5, 1897 ..	Do.	
	2	Dec. 4, 1893	Aug. 28, 1894	268	Dec. 18, 1897-Jan. 5, 1898 ..	Dec. 18, 1897-Jan. 5, 1898 ..	Do.	
	3	Dec. 3, 1894	Mar. 3, 1895	97	Dec. 21, 1898-Jan. 4, 1899	Dec. 21, 1898-Jan. 4, 1899	Do.	
54th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1895	June 11, 1896	193	Dec. 20, 1899-Jan. 3, 1900	Dec. 20, 1899-Jan. 3, 1900	Do.	
	2	Dec. 7, 1896	Mar. 3, 1897	87	Dec. 19, 1901-Jan. 6, 1902	Dec. 19, 1901-Jan. 6, 1902	Do.	
55th *	1	Mar. 15, 1897 ³ ...	July 24, 1897	131	Dec. 19, 1903-Jan. 4, 1904	Dec. 19, 1903-Jan. 4, 1904	Do.	
	2	Dec. 6, 1897	July 8, 1898	215	Dec. 21, 1905-Jan. 4, 1906	Dec. 21, 1905-Jan. 4, 1906	Do.	
	3	Dec. 5, 1898	Mar. 3, 1899	89	Dec. 20, 1906-Jan. 3, 1907	Dec. 20, 1906-Jan. 3, 1907	Do.	
56th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1899	June 7, 1900	186	Dec. 19, 1908-Jan. 4, 1909	Dec. 19, 1908-Jan. 4, 1909	Do.	
	2	Dec. 3, 1900	Mar. 3, 1901	91			Do.	
57th *	1	Dec. 2, 1901	July 1, 1902	212			Do.	
	2	Dec. 1, 1902	Mar. 3, 1903	93			Do.	
58th *	1	Nov. 9, 1903 ³ ...	Dec. 7, 1903	29			Do.	
	2	Dec. 7, 1903	Apr. 28, 1904	144			Do.	
	3	Dec. 5, 1904	Mar. 3, 1905	89			Do.	
59th *	1	Dec. 4, 1905	June 30, 1906	209			Do.	
	2	Dec. 3, 1906	Mar. 3, 1907	91			Do.	
60th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1907	May 30, 1908	181			Do.	
	2	Dec. 7, 1908	Mar. 3, 1909	87			Do.	
61st *	1	Mar. 15, 1909 ³ ...	Aug. 5, 1909	144			Do.	

62d	2	Dec. 6, 1909	June 25, 1910	202	Dec. 21, 1909-Jan. 4, 1910	Dec. 21, 1909-Jan. 4, 1910	.....do.	Champ Clark, of Missouri.
	3	Dec. 5, 1910	Mar. 3, 1911	89	Dec. 21, 1910-Jan. 5, 1911	Dec. 21, 1910-Jan. 5, 1911	.....do.	
	1	Apr. 4, 1911 ³	Aug. 22, 1911	141	Dec. 21, 1911-Jan. 3, 1912	Dec. 21, 1911-Jan. 3, 1912	.....do. ¹²	
	2	Dec. 4, 1911	Aug. 26, 1912	267			Augustus O. Bacon, of Georgia ¹³ Frank B. Brandegee, of Connecticut ¹⁴ Charles Curtis, of Kansas ¹⁵ Jacob H. Gallinger, of New Hampshire ¹⁶ Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts ¹⁷ Augustus O. Bacon, of Georgia ¹⁸ Jacob H. Gallinger, of New Hampshire ¹⁹ James P. Clarke, of Arkansas	Do.
63d	3	Dec. 2, 1912	Mar. 3, 1913	92	Dec. 19, 1912-Jan. 2, 1913	Dec. 19, 1912-Jan. 2, 1913	.....do.	Do.
	1	Apr. 7, 1913 ³	Dec. 1, 1913	239	Dec. 23, 1913-Jan. 12, 1914	Dec. 23, 1913-Jan. 12, 1914	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 1, 1913	Oct. 24, 1914	328	Dec. 23-Dec. 28, 1914	Dec. 23-Dec. 28, 1914	.....do.	
	3	Dec. 7, 1914	Mar. 3, 1915	87	Dec. 17, 1915-Jan. 4, 1916	Dec. 17, 1915-Jan. 4, 1916	.....do. ²⁰	Do.
64th	1	Dec. 6, 1915	Sept. 8, 1916	278	Dec. 22, 1916-Jan. 2, 1917	Dec. 22, 1916-Jan. 2, 1917	Willard Saulsbury, of Delaware.	Champ Clark, of Missouri.
	2	Dec. 4, 1916	Mar. 3, 1917	90	Dec. 18, 1917-Jan. 3, 1918	Dec. 18, 1917-Jan. 3, 1918	.....do.	Do.
65th	1	Apr. 2, 1917 ³	Oct. 6, 1917	188	Dec. 19, 1917-Jan. 2, 1918	Dec. 19, 1917-Jan. 2, 1918	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 3, 1917	Nov. 21, 1918	354	Dec. 19, 1918-Jan. 2, 1919	Dec. 19, 1918-Jan. 2, 1919	.....do.	
	3	Dec. 2, 1918	Mar. 3, 1919	92	Dec. 19, 1918-Jan. 2, 1919	Dec. 19, 1918-Jan. 2, 1919	.....do.	
66th	1	May 19, 1919 ³	Nov. 19, 1919	185	Dec. 19, 1919-Jan. 2, 1920	Dec. 19, 1919-Jan. 2, 1920	.....do.	Frederick H. Gillett, of Massachusetts.
	2	Dec. 1, 1919	June 5, 1920	188	Dec. 20, 1919-Jan. 5, 1920	Dec. 20, 1919-Jan. 5, 1920	.....do.	Do.
	3	Dec. 6, 1920	Mar. 3, 1921	88	Dec. 22, 1921-Jan. 3, 1922	Dec. 22, 1921-Jan. 3, 1922	.....do.	
67th	1	Apr. 11, 1921 ³	Nov. 23, 1921	227	Dec. 20, 1921-Jan. 3, 1922	Dec. 20, 1921-Jan. 3, 1922	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 5, 1921	Sept. 22, 1922	292	Dec. 20, 1923-Jan. 3, 1924	Dec. 20, 1923-Jan. 3, 1924	.....do.	
	3	Nov. 20, 1922 ³	Dec. 4, 1922	15	Dec. 20-Dec. 29, 1924	Dec. 20-Dec. 29, 1924	.....do.	Do.
68th	4	Dec. 4, 1922	Mar. 3, 1923	90	Dec. 22, 1925-Jan. 4, 1926	Dec. 22, 1925-Jan. 4, 1926	George H. Moses, of New Hampshire	Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio.
	1	Dec. 3, 1923	June 7, 1924	188	Dec. 22, 1926-Jan. 3, 1927	Dec. 22, 1926-Jan. 3, 1927	.....do.	
69th	2	Dec. 1, 1924	Mar. 3, 1925	93	Dec. 21, 1927-Jan. 4, 1928	Dec. 21, 1927-Jan. 4, 1928	.....do.	Do.
	1	Dec. 7, 1925	July 3, 1926	209	Dec. 22, 1928-Jan. 3, 1929	Dec. 22, 1928-Jan. 3, 1929	.....do.	
70th	2	Dec. 6, 1926	Mar. 4, 1927	88	June 19-Aug. 19, 1929	June 19-Aug. 19, 1929	.....do.	Do.
	1	Dec. 5, 1927	May 29, 1928	177	Dec. 21, 1929-Jan. 6, 1930	Dec. 21, 1929-Jan. 6, 1930	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 3, 1928	Mar. 3, 1929	91	Dec. 20, 1930-Jan. 5, 1931	Dec. 20, 1930-Jan. 5, 1931	.....do.	
71st	1	Apr. 15, 1929 ³	Nov. 22, 1929	222	Dec. 22, 1931-Jan. 4, 1932	Dec. 22, 1931-Jan. 4, 1932	.....do.	John N. Garner, of Texas.
	2	Dec. 2, 1929	July 3, 1930	214	.....do.	.....do.	Key Pittman, of Nevada	Henry T. Rainey, ²¹ of Illinois.
	3	Dec. 1, 1930	Mar. 3, 1931	93	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Joseph W. Byrnes, ²² of Tennessee.
72d	2	Dec. 7, 1931	July 16, 1932	223	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	William B. Bankhead, ²³ of Alabama.
	1	Dec. 5, 1932	Mar. 3, 1933	89	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
73d	2	Mar. 9, 1933 ³	June 15, 1933	99	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do. ²⁴
	1	Jan. 3, 1934	June 18, 1934	167	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Sam Rayburn, ²⁶ of Texas.
74th	2	Jan. 3, 1935	Aug. 26, 1935	236	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	1	Jan. 3, 1936	June 20, 1936	170	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
75th	1	Jan. 3, 1937	Aug. 21, 1937	229	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	2	Nov. 15, 1937 ³	Dec. 21, 1937	37	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	3	Jan. 3, 1938	June 16, 1938	165	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
76th	1	Jan. 3, 1939	Aug. 5, 1939	215	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	2	Sept. 21, 1939 ³	Nov. 3, 1939	44	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	3	Jan. 3, 1940	Jan. 3, 1941	366	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
77th	1	Jan. 3, 1941	Jan. 2, 1942	365	.....do.	.....do.	.....do.	Do.
	2	Jan. 5, 1942	Dec. 16, 1942	346do.do.do.	Do.
78th	1	Jan. 6, 1943	Dec. 21, 1943	350do.do.do.	Do.

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					Senate	House		
	2	Jan. 10, 1944	Dec. 19, 1944	345	Apr. 1–Apr. 12, 1944	Apr. 1–Apr. 12, 1944	Carter Glass, of Virginia.	
79th	1	Jan. 3, 1945	Dec. 21, 1945	353	June 23–Aug. 1, 1944	June 23–Aug. 1, 1944	Kenneth McKellar, of Tennessee	Sam Rayburn, of Texas.
80th	2	Jan. 14, 1946	Aug. 2, 1946	201	Sept. 21–Nov. 14, 1944	Sept. 21–Nov. 14, 1944	.....do.	Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts.
	1	Jan. 3, 1947	Dec. 19, 1947	351	Aug. 1–Sept. 5, 1945	Apr. 18–Apr. 30, 1946	Arthur H. Vandenberg, of Michigan	
	2	Jan. 6, 1948	Dec. 31, 1948	361	July 27–Nov. 17, 1947 ³⁰	July 27–Nov. 17, 1947 ³⁰	.....do.	
81st	1	Jan. 3, 1949	Oct. 19, 1949	290	June 20–July 26, 1948 ³⁰	June 20–July 26, 1948 ³⁰	Kenneth McKellar, of Tennessee	Sam Rayburn, of Texas.
	2	Jan. 3, 1950	Jan. 2, 1951	365	Aug. 7–Dec. 31, 1948	Aug. 7–Dec. 31, 1948	.....do.	
82d	1	Jan. 3, 1951	Oct. 20, 1951	291	Sept. 23–Nov. 27–1950	Apr. 6–Apr. 18, 1950		
	2	Jan. 8, 1952	July 7, 1952	182	.....	Sept. 23–Nov. 27, 1950		
83d	1	Jan. 3, 1953	Aug. 3, 1953	213	.....	Mar. 22–Apr. 2, 1951		Do.
	2	Jan. 6, 1954	Dec. 2, 1954	331	.....	Aug. 23–Sept. 12, 1951		
					Aug. 20–Nov. 8, 1954	Apr. 10–Apr. 22, 1952	Styles Bridges, of New Hampshire	Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					Nov. 18–Nov. 29, 1954	Apr. 2–Apr. 13, 1953	.....do.	
84th	1	Jan. 5, 1955	Aug. 2, 1955	210	Apr. 4–Apr. 13, 1955	Apr. 15–Apr. 22, 1954	Walter F. George, of Georgia	Sam Rayburn, of Texas.
85th	2	Jan. 3, 1956	July 27, 1956	207	Mar. 29–Apr. 9, 1956	Adjourned sine die Aug. 20, 1954	.....do.	
	1	Jan. 3, 1957	Aug. 30, 1957	239	Apr. 18–Apr. 29, 1957	Apr. 4–Apr. 13, 1955	Carl Hayden, of Arizona	Do.
	2	Jan. 7, 1958	Aug. 24, 1958	230	Mar. 26–Apr. 7, 1959	Apr. 3–Apr. 14, 1958	.....do.	Do.
86th	1	Jan. 7, 1959	Sept. 15, 1959	252	Apr. 14–Apr. 18, 1960	Mar. 26–Apr. 7, 1959	.....do.	
	2	Jan. 6, 1960	Sept. 1, 1960	240	May 27–May 31, 1960	Apr. 14–Apr. 18, 1960		
					July 3–Aug. 8, 1960	May 27–May 31, 1960		
87th	1	Jan. 3, 1961	Sept. 27, 1961	268	.....	July 3–Aug. 8, 1960	.....do.	Do. ³¹
	2	Jan. 10, 1962	Oct. 13, 1962	277	.....	Mar. 30–Apr. 10, 1961	.....do.	John W. McCormack, ³² of Massachusetts.
88th	1	Jan. 9, 1963	Dec. 30, 1963	356	.....	Apr. 11–Apr. 22, 1963	.....do.	Do.
	2	Jan. 7, 1964	Oct. 3, 1964	270	July 10–July 20, 1964	Mar. 26–Apr. 6, 1964	.....do.	
					Aug. 21–Aug. 31, 1964	July 2–July 20, 1964		
89th	1	Jan. 4, 1965	Oct. 23, 1965	293	.....	Aug. 21–Aug. 31, 1964	.....do.	Do.

90th ...	2	Jan. 10, 1966	Oct. 22, 1966 ...	286	Apr. 7–Apr. 13, 1966	Apr. 7–Apr. 18, 1966 .....	.....do.	Do.	
	1	Jan. 10, 1967	Dec. 15, 1967 ..	340	June 30–July 11, 1966	June 30–July 11, 1966 .....	.....do		
					Mar. 23–Apr. 3, 1967	Mar. 23–Apr. 3, 1967			
					June 29–July 10, 1967	June 29–July 10, 1967			
					Aug. 31–Sept. 11, 1967	Aug. 31–Sept. 11, 1967			
					Nov. 22–Nov. 27, 1967	Nov. 22–Nov. 27, 1967			
	2	Jan. 15, 1968	Oct. 14, 1968 ...	274	Apr. 11–Apr. 17, 1968	Apr. 11–Apr. 22, 1968 .....	.....do.		
					May 29–June 3, 1968	May 29–June 3, 1968			
					June 3–July 8, 1968	June 3–July 8, 1968			
					Aug. 2–Sept. 4, 1968	Aug. 2–Sept. 4, 1968			
91st ...	1	Jan. 3, 1969	Dec. 23, 1969 ..	355	Feb. 7–Feb. 17, 1969	Feb. 7–Feb. 17, 1969	Richard B. Russell, of Georgia	John W. McCormack, of Massachusetts.	
					Apr. 3–Apr. 14, 1969	Apr. 3–Apr. 14, 1969			
					July 2–July 7, 1969	May 28–June 2, 1969			
					Aug. 13–Sept. 3, 1969	July 2–July 7, 1969			
					Nov. 26–Dec. 1, 1969	Aug. 13–Sept. 3, 1969			
						Nov. 6–Nov. 12, 1969			
						Nov. 26–Dec. 1, 1969			
	2	Jan. 19, 1970	Jan. 2, 1971	349	Feb. 10–Feb. 16, 1970	Feb. 10–Feb. 16, 1970 .....	.....do.		
					Mar. 26–Mar. 31, 1970	Mar. 26–Mar. 31, 1970			
					Sept. 2–Sept. 8, 1970	May 27–June 1, 1970			
					Oct. 14–Nov. 16, 1970	July 1–July 6, 1970			
					Nov. 25–Nov. 30, 1970	Aug. 14–Sept. 9, 1970			
					Dec. 22–Dec. 28, 1970	Oct. 14–Nov. 16, 1970			
92d ...	1	Jan. 21, 1971	Dec. 17, 1971 ..	331	Feb. 11–Feb. 17, 1971	Feb. 10–Feb. 17, 1971 .....	.....do. ³³	Carl B. Albert, of Oklahoma.	
					Apr. 7–Apr. 14, 1971	Apr. 7–Apr. 19, 1971	Allen J. Ellender, ³⁴ of Louisiana.		
					May 26–June 1, 1971	May 27–June 1, 1971			
					June 30–July 6, 1971	July 1–July 6, 1971			
					Aug. 6–Sept. 8, 1971	Aug. 6–Sept. 8, 1971			
					Oct. 21–Oct. 26, 1971	Oct. 7–Oct. 12, 1971			
					Nov. 24–Nov. 29, 1971	Oct. 21–Oct. 26, 1971			
						Nov. 19–Nov. 29, 1971			
	2	Jan. 18, 1972	Oct. 18, 1972 ...	275	Feb. 9–Feb. 14, 1972	Feb. 9–Feb. 16, 1972 .....	.....do. ³⁵		
					Mar. 30–Apr. 4, 1972	Mar. 29–Apr. 10, 1972			
					May 25–May 30, 1972	May 24–May 30, 1972			
					June 30–July 17, 1972	June 30–July 17, 1972	James O. Eastland, ³⁶ of Mississippi.		
					Aug. 18–Sept. 5, 1972	Aug. 18–Sept. 5, 1972			
					Feb. 8–Feb. 15, 1973	Feb. 8–Feb. 19, 1973 .....	.....do	Do.	
93d ...	1	Jan. 3, 1973	Dec. 22, 1973 ..	354	Apr. 18–Apr. 30, 1973	Apr. 19–Apr. 30, 1973			
					May 23–May 29, 1973	May 24–May 29, 1973			
					June 30–July 9, 1973	June 30–July 10, 1973			
					Aug. 3–Sept. 5, 1973	Aug. 3–Sept. 5, 1973			
					Oct. 18–Oct. 23, 1973	Oct. 4–Oct. 9, 1973			
					Nov. 21–Nov. 26, 1973	Oct. 18–Oct. 23, 1973			
						Nov. 15–Nov. 26, 1973			

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					Senate	House		
94th	2	Jan. 21, 1974	Dec. 20, 1974 ..	334	Feb. 8-Feb. 18, 1974	Feb. 7-Feb. 13, 1974	James O. Eastland, of Mississippi.	Carl B. Albert, of Oklahoma.
					Mar. 13-Mar. 19, 1974	Apr. 11-Apr. 22, 1974		
					Apr. 11-Apr. 22, 1974	May 23-May 28, 1974		
					May 23-May 28, 1974	Aug. 22-Sept. 11, 1974		
95th	1	Jan. 14, 1975	Dec. 19, 1975 ..	340	Aug. 22-Sept. 4, 1974	Oct. 17-Nov. 18, 1974do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					Oct. 17-Nov. 18, 1974	Nov. 26-Dec. 3, 1974		
					Nov. 26-Dec. 2, 1974	Mar. 26-Apr. 7, 1975		
					Mar. 26-Apr. 7, 1975	May 22-June 2, 1975		
96th	2	Jan. 19, 1976	Oct. 1, 1976	257	May 22-June 2, 1975	June 26-July 8, 1975do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					June 27-July 7, 1975	Aug. 1-Sept. 3, 1975		
					Aug. 1-Sept. 3, 1975	Oct. 9-Oct. 20, 1975		
					Oct. 9-Oct. 20, 1975	Oct. 23-Oct. 28, 1975		
97th	1	Jan. 4, 1977	Dec. 15, 1977 ..	346	Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 1975	Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 1975do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					Feb. 6-Feb. 16, 1976	Feb. 11-Feb. 16, 1976		
					Apr. 14-Apr. 26, 1976	Apr. 14-Apr. 26, 1976		
					May 28-June 2, 1976	May 27-June 1, 1976		
98th	2	Jan. 19, 1978	Oct. 15, 1978	270	July 2-July 19, 1976	July 2-July 19, 1976do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					Aug. 10-Aug. 23, 1976	Aug. 10-Aug. 23, 1976		
					Sept. 1-Sept. 7, 1976	Sept. 2-Sept. 8, 1976		
					Feb. 11-Feb. 21, 1977	Feb. 9-Feb. 16, 1977		
99th	1	Jan. 4, 1977	Dec. 15, 1977 ..	346	Apr. 7-Apr. 18, 1977	Apr. 6-Apr. 18, 1977do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					May 27-June 6, 1977	May 26-June 1, 1977		
					July 1-July 11, 1977	June 30-July 11, 1977		
					Aug. 6-Sept. 7, 1977	Aug. 5-Sept. 7, 1977		
100th	2	Jan. 19, 1978	Oct. 15, 1978	270	Feb. 10-Feb. 20, 1978	Feb. 9-Feb. 14, 1978do.....	Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., of Massachusetts.
					Mar. 23-Apr. 3, 1978	Mar. 22-Apr. 3, 1978		
					May 26-June 5, 1978	May 25-May 31, 1978		
					June 29-July 10, 1978	June 29-July 10, 1978		

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					Senate	House		
100th ..	1	Jan. 6, 1987	Dec. 22, 1987 ..	351	Jan. 6-Jan. 12, 1987	Jan. 8-Jan. 20, 1987	John C. Stennis, of Mississippi	James C. Wright, Jr., of Texas.
					Feb. 5-Feb. 16, 1987	Feb. 11-Feb. 18, 1987		
					Apr. 10-Apr. 21, 1987	Apr. 9-Apr. 21, 1987		
					May 21-May 27, 1987	May 21-May 27, 1987		
					July 1-July 7, 1987	July 1-July 7, 1987		
					Aug. 7-Sept. 9, 1987	July 15-July 20, 1987		
					Nov. 20-Nov. 30, 1987	Aug. 7-Sept. 9, 1987		
						Nov. 10-Nov. 16, 1987		
						Nov. 20-Nov. 30, 1987		
						Feb. 9-Feb. 16, 1988 .....	.....do.	
						Mar. 31-Apr. 11, 1988		
						May 26-June 1, 1988		
						June 30-July 7, 1988		
						July 14-July 26, 1988		
						Aug. 11-Sept. 7, 1988		
						Jan. 4-Jan. 19, 1989	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia	Do.
						Feb. 9-Feb. 21, 1989		
						Mar. 23-Apr. 3, 1989		
						Apr. 18-Apr. 25, 1989		
						May 25-May 31, 1989		
						June 29-July 10, 1989		
						Aug. 5-Sept. 6, 1989		
						Feb. 7-Feb. 20, 1990 .....	.....do.	
						Apr. 4-Apr. 18, 1990		
						May 25-June 5, 1990		
						June 28-July 10, 1990		
						Aug. 4-Sept. 5, 1990		
101st ..	1	Jan. 3, 1989	Nov. 22, 1989 ..	324	Jan. 4-Jan. 20, 1989	Jan. 4-Jan. 19, 1989		
					Feb. 9-Feb. 21, 1989	Feb. 9-Feb. 21, 1989		
					Mar. 17-Apr. 4, 1989	Mar. 23-Apr. 3, 1989		
					Apr. 19-May 1, 1989	Apr. 18-Apr. 25, 1989		
					May 18-May 31, 1989	May 25-May 31, 1989		
					June 23-July 11, 1989	June 29-July 10, 1989		
					Aug. 4-Sept. 6, 1989	Aug. 5-Sept. 6, 1989		
					Feb. 8-Feb. 20, 1990	Feb. 7-Feb. 20, 1990		
					Mar. 9-Mar. 20, 1990	Apr. 4-Apr. 18, 1990		
					Apr. 5-Apr. 18, 1990	May 25-June 5, 1990		
					May 24-June 5, 1990	June 28-July 10, 1990		
					June 28-July 10, 1990	Aug. 4-Sept. 5, 1990		
					Aug. 4-Sept. 10, 1990			
	2	Jan. 23, 1990	Oct. 28, 1990 ...	260				

Thomas S. Foley,³⁸ of Washington.

102d ..	1	Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992	366	Feb. 7-Feb. 19, 1991	Feb. 6-Feb. 19, 1991	do	Do.
		Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992		Mar. 22-Apr. 9, 1991	Mar. 22-Apr. 9, 1991		
		Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992		Apr. 25-May 6, 1991	May 23-May 29, 1991		
		Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992		May 24-June 3, 1991	June 27-July 9, 1991		
		Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992		June 28-July 8, 1991	Aug. 2-Sept. 11, 1991		
		Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992		Aug. 2-Sept. 10, 1991	Nov. 27, 1991-Jan. 3, 1992		
	2	Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992	281	Nov. 27, 1991-Jan. 3, 1992	Jan. 3-Jan. 22, 1992	do	
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Jan. 3-Jan. 21, 1992	Apr. 10-Apr. 28, 1992		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Feb. 7-Feb. 18, 1992	May 21-May 26, 1992		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Apr. 10-Apr. 28, 1992	July 2-July 7, 1992		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		May 21-June 1, 1992	July 9-July 21, 1992		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		July 2-July 20, 1992	Aug. 12-Sept. 9, 1992		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Aug. 12-Sept. 8, 1992	Jan. 6-Jan. 20, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Nov. 27, 1991-Jan. 3, 1992	Jan. 27-Feb. 2, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Feb. 4-Feb. 16, 1993	Feb. 4-Feb. 16, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Feb. 7-Apr. 19, 1993	Apr. 7-Apr. 19, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		May 28-June 7, 1993	May 27-June 8, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		July 1-July 13, 1993	July 1-July 13, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Aug. 7-Sept. 7, 1993	Aug. 6-Sept. 8, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Oct. 7-Oct. 13, 1993	Sept. 15-Sept. 21, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Nov. 11-Nov. 16, 1993	Oct. 7-Oct. 12, 1993		
		Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992		Nov. 10-Nov. 15, 1993	Nov. 10-Nov. 15, 1993		
	2	Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994	311	Feb. 11-Feb. 22, 1994	Jan. 26-Feb. 1, 1994	do	
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 26-Apr. 11, 1994	Feb. 11-Feb. 22, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 25-June 7, 1994	Mar. 24-Apr. 12, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		July 1-July 11, 1994	May 26-June 8, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 23-Sept. 12, 1994	June 20-July 12, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Oct. 8-Nov. 30, 1994	Aug. 26-Sept. 2, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Feb. 16-Feb. 22, 1995	Oct. 8-Nov. 29, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Apr. 7-Apr. 24, 1995	Feb. 16-Feb. 21, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 26-June 5, 1995	Mar. 16-Mar. 21, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		June 30-July 10, 1995	Apr. 7-May 1, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 3-Sept. 5, 1995	May 23-May 9, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995	May 23-June 6, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Nov. 20-Nov. 27, 1995	June 30-July 10, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Jan. 10-Jan. 22, 1996	Aug. 4-Sept. 6, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996	Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 24-June 3, 1996	Nov. 29-Dec. 28, 1995	do	
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		June 28-July 8, 1996	Jan. 9-Jan. 22, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 2-Sept. 3, 1996	Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Jan. 9-Jan. 21, 1997	Aug. 2-Sept. 4, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Feb. 13-Feb. 24, 1997	Jan. 9-Jan. 20, 1997		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Jan. 21-Feb. 4, 1997	do	Do.
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Feb. 13-Feb. 25, 1997		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Mar. 21-Apr. 8, 1997		
103d ..	1	Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..	326	Feb. 4-Feb. 16, 1993	Jan. 27-Feb. 2, 1993	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia	Thomas S. Foley, of Washington.
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Apr. 7-Apr. 19, 1993	Feb. 4-Feb. 16, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		May 28-June 7, 1993	Apr. 7-Apr. 19, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		July 1-July 13, 1993	May 27-June 8, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Aug. 7-Sept. 7, 1993	July 1-July 13, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Oct. 7-Oct. 13, 1993	Aug. 6-Sept. 8, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Nov. 11-Nov. 16, 1993	Sept. 15-Sept. 21, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Nov. 10-Nov. 15, 1993	Oct. 7-Oct. 12, 1993		
		Jan. 5, 1993	Nov. 26, 1993 ..		Nov. 10-Nov. 15, 1993	Nov. 10-Nov. 15, 1993		
	2	Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994	311	Feb. 11-Feb. 22, 1994	Jan. 26-Feb. 1, 1994	do	
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 26-Apr. 11, 1994	Feb. 11-Feb. 22, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 25-June 7, 1994	Mar. 24-Apr. 12, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		July 1-July 11, 1994	May 26-June 8, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 23-Sept. 12, 1994	June 20-July 12, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Oct. 8-Nov. 30, 1994	Aug. 26-Sept. 2, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Feb. 16-Feb. 22, 1995	Oct. 8-Nov. 29, 1994		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Apr. 7-Apr. 24, 1995	Feb. 16-Feb. 21, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 26-June 5, 1995	Mar. 16-Mar. 21, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		June 30-July 10, 1995	Apr. 7-May 1, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 3-Sept. 5, 1995	May 23-May 9, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995	May 23-June 6, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Nov. 20-Nov. 27, 1995	June 30-July 10, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Jan. 10-Jan. 22, 1996	Aug. 4-Sept. 6, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996	Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		May 24-June 3, 1996	Nov. 29-Dec. 28, 1995	do	
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		June 28-July 8, 1996	Jan. 9-Jan. 22, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Aug. 2-Sept. 3, 1996	Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Jan. 9-Jan. 21, 1997	Aug. 2-Sept. 4, 1996		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Feb. 13-Feb. 24, 1997	Jan. 9-Jan. 20, 1997		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Jan. 21-Feb. 4, 1997	do	Do.
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Feb. 13-Feb. 25, 1997		
		Jan. 25, 1994	Dec. 1, 1994		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Mar. 21-Apr. 8, 1997		
104th ..	1	Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996	365	Feb. 16-Feb. 22, 1995	Feb. 16-Feb. 21, 1995	Strom Thurmond, of South Carolina	Newt Gingrich, of Georgia.
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Apr. 7-Apr. 24, 1995	Mar. 16-Mar. 21, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		May 26-June 5, 1995	Apr. 7-May 1, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		June 30-July 10, 1995	May 23-May 9, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Aug. 3-Sept. 5, 1995	May 23-June 6, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995	June 30-July 10, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Nov. 20-Nov. 27, 1995	Aug. 4-Sept. 6, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Jan. 10-Jan. 22, 1996	Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1995		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996	Nov. 29-Dec. 28, 1995	do	
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		May 24-June 3, 1996	Jan. 9-Jan. 22, 1996		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		June 28-July 8, 1996	Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Aug. 2-Sept. 3, 1996	June 28-July 8, 1996		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Jan. 9-Jan. 21, 1997	Aug. 2-Sept. 4, 1996		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Feb. 13-Feb. 24, 1997	Jan. 9-Jan. 20, 1997		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Jan. 21-Feb. 4, 1997	do	Do.
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Feb. 13-Feb. 25, 1997		
		Jan. 4, 1995	Jan. 3, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Mar. 21-Apr. 8, 1997		
105th ..	1	Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996	276	Jan. 10-Jan. 22, 1996	Jan. 10-Jan. 22, 1996	do	
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996	Jan. 29-Apr. 15, 1996		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		May 24-June 3, 1996	Mar. 29-Apr. 15, 1996		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		June 28-July 8, 1996	May 23-May 9, 1996		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Aug. 2-Sept. 3, 1996	June 28-July 8, 1996		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Jan. 9-Jan. 21, 1997	Aug. 2-Sept. 4, 1996		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Feb. 13-Feb. 24, 1997	Jan. 9-Jan. 20, 1997		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Jan. 21-Feb. 4, 1997	do	Do.
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Feb. 13-Feb. 25, 1997		
		Jan. 7, 1997	Oct. 4, 1996		Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1997	Mar. 21-Apr. 8, 1997		

* Indicates that a special session of the Senate was convened during a Congress. Please see the following table, SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE SENATE, for more information.

¹ For many years the appointment or election of a President pro tempore was held by the Senate to be for the occasion only, so that more than one appear in several sessions and in others none was chosen. Since Mar. 12, 1890, they have served until "the Senate otherwise ordered." Since 1949, the position has gone to the most senior member of the majority (see note 37 for a minority party exception).

² Elected to count the vote for President and Vice President, which was done Apr. 6, 1789, a quorum of the Senate then appearing for the first time. John Adams, Vice President, appeared Apr. 21, 1789, and took his seat as President of the Senate.

³ Article II, section 3 of the Constitution provides that the President "may, on extraordinary occasions, convene both Houses, or either of them." This procedure occurs only if the Congress is convened by presidential proclamation. Extraordinary sessions have been called by the Chief Executive to urge the Congress to focus on important national issues. These are separate sessions of Congress, unless otherwise noted.

⁴ Elected Speaker pro tempore for Apr. 20, 1798, and again for May 28, 1798.

⁵ Elected Speaker Jan. 19, 1814, to succeed Henry Clay, of Kentucky, who resigned Jan. 19, 1814.

⁶ Elected Speaker Nov. 15, 1820, to succeed Henry Clay, of Kentucky, who resigned Oct. 28, 1820.

⁷ Elected Speaker June 2, 1834, to succeed Andrew Stevenson, of Virginia, who resigned.

⁸ Elected Speaker Mar. 3, 1869, and served 1 day.

⁹ Died Aug. 19, 1876.

¹⁰ Appointed Speaker pro tempore Feb. 17, May 12, June 19,

¹¹ Appointed Speaker pro tempore June 4,

¹² Resigned as President pro tempore Apr. 27, 1911.

¹³ Elected to serve Jan. 11–17, Mar. 11–12, Apr. 8, May 10, May 30 to June 1 and 3, June 13 to July 5, Aug. 1–10, and Aug. 27 to Dec. 15, 1912.

¹⁴ Elected to serve May 25, 1912.

¹⁵ Elected to serve Dec. 4–12, 1911.

¹⁶ Elected to serve Feb. 12–14, Apr. 26–27, May 7, July 6–31, Aug. 12–26, 1912.

¹⁷ Elected to serve Mar. 25–26, 1912.

¹⁸ Elected to serve Aug. 27 to Dec. 15, 1912, Jan. 5–18, and Feb. 2–15, 1913.

¹⁹ Elected to serve Dec. 16, 1912, to Jan. 4, 1913, Jan. 19 to Feb. 1, and Feb. 16 to Mar. 3, 1913.

²⁰ Died Oct. 1, 1916.

²¹ Died Aug. 19, 1934.

²² Died June 4, 1936.

²³ Elected June 4, 1936.

²⁴ Died Sept. 15, 1940.

²⁵ Died Nov. 10, 1940.

²⁶ Elected Sept. 16, 1940.

²⁷ Elected Nov. 19, 1940.

²⁸ Elected Jan. 6, 1941; died June 22, 1941.

²⁹ Elected July 10, 1941.

³⁰ Extraordinary session of the Congress called by President Harry Truman. The extraordinary session was convened after a recess period, and it did not begin a new session.

³¹ Died November 16, 1961.

³² Elected Jan. 10, 1962.

³³ Died Jan. 21, 1971.

³⁴ Elected Jan. 22, 1971.

³⁵ Died July 27, 1972.

³⁶ Elected July 28, 1972.

³⁷ Milton Young, of North Dakota, was elected President pro tempore for one day, Dec. 5, 1980, which was at the end of his 36-year career in the Senate. He was Republican, which was the minority party at that time.

³⁸ Elected Speaker June 6, 1989, to succeed James C. Wright, Jr., of Texas, who resigned.