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1st	1	Mar. 4, 1789	Sept. 29, 1789	210			John Langdon, of New Hampshire	Frederick A.C. Muhlenberg, of Pennsylvania.
2d	2	Jan. 4, 1790	Aug. 12, 1790	221			.....do.	.....do.
	3	Dec. 6, 1790	Mar. 3, 1791	88			.....do.	.....do.
	4	Mar. 4, 1791	May 8, 1791	1			Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia	Jonathan Trumbull, of Connecticut.
	5	Oct. 24, 1791	Mar. 2, 1792	197			John Langdon, of New Hampshire.	
	1	Nov. 3, 1792	Mar. 4, 1793	119			.....do.	
3d	2	Mar. 4, 1793	June 9, 1794	1			John Langdon, of New Hampshire; Ralph Izard, of South Carolina.	Frederick A.C. Muhlenberg, of Pennsylvania.
	3	Dec. 2, 1793	June 9, 1794	190			Henry Tazewell, of Virginia.	
	1	Nov. 3, 1794	Mar. 3, 1795	121			.....do.	
4th	2	June 8, 1795	June 26, 1795	19			Henry Tazewell, of Virginia.	
	3	Dec. 7, 1795	June 1, 1796	177			Henry Tazewell, of Virginia; Samuel Livermore, of New Hampshire.	Jonathan Dayton, of New Jersey.
	1	Dec. 7, 1795	June 1, 1796	177			William Bingham, of Pennsylvania.	
5th	2	Dec. 5, 1796	Mar. 3, 1797	89			William Bradford, of Rhode Island	Do.
	3	Mar. 4, 1797	Mar. 4, 1797	1			Jacob Read, of South Carolina; Theodore Sedgwick, of Massachusetts.	
	1–E	May 15, 1797	July 10, 1797	57			John Laurence, of New York; James Ross, of Pennsylvania.	
	5	July 17, 1798	July 19, 1798	3			Samuel Livermore, of New Hampshire; Uriah Tracy, of Connecticut.	Theodore Sedgwick, of Massachusetts.
	2	Nov. 13, 1797	July 16, 1798	246			John E. Howard, of Maryland; James Hillhouse, of Connecticut.	
6th	3	Dec. 3, 1798	Mar. 3, 1799	91				
	1	Dec. 2, 1799	May 14, 1800	164				
7th	2	Nov. 17, 1800	Mar. 3, 1801	107			Dec. 23–Dec. 30, 1800	
	1	Mar. 4, 1801	Mar. 5, 1801	2				
	5	Dec. 7, 1801	May 3, 1802	148			Abraham Baldwin, of Georgia	Nathaniel Macon, of North Carolina.

8th	2	Dec. 6, 1802	Mar. 3, 1803	88	Stephen R. Bradley, of Vermont.	Do.
	1-E	Oct. 17, 1803	Mar. 27, 1804	163	John Brown, of Kentucky; Jesse Franklin, of North Carolina.	
9th	2	Nov. 5, 1804	Mar. 3, 1805	119	Joseph Anderson, of Tennessee.	Do.
	2	Dec. 2, 1805	Apr. 21, 1806	141	Samuel Smith, of Maryland	
10th	1-E	Oct. 26, 1807	Apr. 25, 1808	182	.....do.....	Joseph B. Varnum, of Massachusetts.
	2	Nov. 7, 1808	Mar. 3, 1809	117	Stephen R. Bradley, of Vermont; John Milledge, of Georgia.	
11th	S	Mar. 4, 1809	Mar. 7, 1809	4	Andrew Gregg, of Pennsylvania.	Do.
	2	Nov. 27, 1809	June 28, 1809	38	John Gaillard, of South Carolina.	
	3	Dec. 3, 1810	Mar. 3, 1811	91	John Pope, of Kentucky.	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
12th	1-E	Nov. 4, 1811	July 6, 1812	245	.....do.....	Do. <sup>4</sup>
	2	Nov. 2, 1812	Mar. 3, 1813	122	William H. Crawford, of Georgia	Langdon Cheves, of South Carolina. <sup>4</sup>
13th	2	May 24, 1813	Aug. 2, 1813	71	.....do.....	
	2	Dec. 6, 1813	Apr. 18, 1814	134	Joseph B. Varnum, of Massachusetts; John Gaillard, of South Carolina.	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
14th	3-E	Sept. 19, 1814	Mar. 3, 1815	166	.....do.....	
	1	Dec. 4, 1815	Apr. 30, 1816	148	.....do.....	
15th	S	Dec. 2, 1816	Mar. 6, 1817	92	.....do.....	Do.
	2	Mar. 4, 1817	Mar. 6, 1817	3	James Barbour, of Virginia.	Do. <sup>5</sup>
16th	2	Dec. 1, 1817	Apr. 20, 1818	141	James Barbour, of Virginia; John Gaillard, of South Carolina.	John W. Taylor, of New York; <sup>5</sup> Philip P. Barbour, of Virginia.
	1	Nov. 16, 1818	Mar. 3, 1819	108	.....do.....	Henry Clay, of Kentucky.
	2	Dec. 6, 1819	May 15, 1820	162	.....do.....	
17th	2	Nov. 13, 1820	Mar. 3, 1821	111	.....do.....	John W. Taylor, of New York.
	1	Dec. 3, 1821	May 8, 1822	157	.....do.....	Andrew Stevenson, of Virginia.
18th	2	Dec. 2, 1822	Mar. 3, 1823	92	.....do.....	Do.
	2	Dec. 1, 1823	May 27, 1824	178	.....do.....	Do.
19th	S	Dec. 6, 1824	Mar. 3, 1825	88	.....do.....	Do. <sup>6</sup>
	1	Mar. 4, 1825	Mar. 9, 1825	6	.....do.....	
	2	Dec. 5, 1825	May 22, 1826	169	Nathaniel Macon, of North Carolina	John W. Taylor, of New York.
20th	2	Dec. 4, 1826	Mar. 3, 1827	90	.....do.....	Andrew Stevenson, of Virginia.
	1	Dec. 3, 1827	May 26, 1828	175	.....do.....	Do.
21st	S	Dec. 1, 1828	Mar. 3, 1829	93	.....do.....	Do.
	2	Dec. 1, 1829	Mar. 17, 1829	14	.....do.....	Do.
22d	2	Dec. 6, 1830	Mar. 3, 1831	88	.....do.....	Do.
	1	Dec. 5, 1831	July 16, 1832	225	.....do.....	Do. <sup>6</sup>
23d	2	Dec. 3, 1832	Mar. 2, 1833	91	.....do.....	John Bell, of Tennessee. <sup>6</sup> James K. Polk, of Tennessee.
	1	Dec. 2, 1833	June 30, 1834	211	.....do.....	Do.
24th	2	Dec. 1, 1834	Mar. 3, 1835	93	.....do.....	Robert M.T. Hunter, of Virginia.
	1	Dec. 7, 1835	July 4, 1836	211	.....do.....	
25th	S	Dec. 5, 1836	Mar. 3, 1837	89	.....do.....	
	1-E	Mar. 4, 1837	Mar. 10, 1837	7	.....do.....	
	2	Sept. 4, 1837	Oct. 16, 1837	43	.....do.....	
26th	3	Dec. 4, 1837	July 9, 1838	218	.....do.....	
	1	Dec. 3, 1838	July 3, 1839	91	.....do.....	
	2	Dec. 2, 1839	July 21, 1840	233	.....do.....	
27th	S	Dec. 7, 1840	Mar. 3, 1841	87	.....do.....	
	2	Mar. 4, 1841	Mar. 15, 1841	12	.....do.....	
					William R. King, of Alabama; Samuel L. Southard, of New Jersey.	

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28th ...	1–E	May 31, 1841 ...	Sept. 13, 1841 ...	106			Samuel L. Southard, of New Jersey ...	John White, of Kentucky.
	2	Dec. 6, 1841 ...	Aug. 31, 1842 ...	269			Willie P. Mangum, of North Carolina.	
	3	Dec. 5, 1842 ...	Mar. 3, 1843 ...	89			do.	John W. Jones, of Virginia.
	1	Dec. 4, 1843 ...	June 17, 1844 ...	196			do.	
	2	Dec. 2, 1844 ...	Mar. 3, 1845 ...	92			do.	
29th ...	5	Mar. 4, 1845 ...	Mar. 20, 1845 ...	17				
	1	Dec. 1, 1845 ...	Aug. 10, 1846 ...	253			Ambrose H. Sevier; David R. Atchison, of Missouri.	John W. Davis, of Indiana.
30th ...	2	Dec. 7, 1846 ...	Mar. 3, 1847 ...	87			David R. Atchison, of Missouri.	Robert C. Winthrop, of Massachusetts.
	1	Dec. 6, 1847 ...	Aug. 14, 1848 ...	254			do.	
	2	Dec. 4, 1848 ...	Mar. 3, 1849 ...	90			do.	
31st ...	5	Mar. 3, 1849 ...	Mar. 23, 1849 ...	19			do.	
	1	Dec. 3, 1849 ...	Sept. 30, 1850 ...	302			William R. King, of Alabama ...	Howell Cobb, of Georgia.
32d ...	2	Dec. 2, 1850 ...	Mar. 3, 1851 ...	92			do.	
	5	Mar. 4, 1851 ...	Mar. 13, 1851 ...	10			do.	
	1	Dec. 1, 1851 ...	Aug. 31, 1852 ...	275			David R. Atchison, of Missouri.	Linn Boyd, of Kentucky.
33d ...	2	Dec. 6, 1852 ...	Mar. 3, 1853 ...	88			do.	
	5	Mar. 4, 1853 ...	Apr. 11, 1853 ...	39			Lewis Cass, of Michigan; Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	Do.
	1	Dec. 5, 1853 ...	Aug. 7, 1854 ...	246			Charles E. Stuart, of Michigan; Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	Nathaniel P. Banks, of Massachusetts.
34th ...	2	Dec. 4, 1854 ...	Mar. 3, 1855 ...	90			Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	
	1	Dec. 3, 1855 ...	Aug. 18, 1856 ...	260			James M. Mason, of Virginia.	
35th ...	2–E	Aug. 21, 1856 ...	Aug. 30, 1856 ...	10			James M. Mason, of Virginia.	
	3	Dec. 1, 1856 ...	Mar. 3, 1857 ...	93			James M. Mason, of Virginia; Thomas J. Rusk, of Texas.	
	5	Mar. 4, 1857 ...	Mar. 14, 1857 ...	11			Benjamin Fitzpatrick, of Alabama ...	James L. Orr, of South Carolina.
	1	Dec. 7, 1857 ...	June 14, 1858 ...	189	Dec. 23, 1857–Jan. 4, 1858 ..	Dec. 23, 1857–Jan. 4, 1858 ..		

36th ...	5	June 15, 1858	June 16, 1858	2	Dec. 23, 1858-Jan. 4, 1859	Benjamin Fitzpatrick, of Alabama; Jesse D. Bright, of Indiana.	William Pennington, of New Jersey.
	2	Dec. 6, 1858	Mar. 3, 1859	88	.....do.	.....do.	
	5	Mar. 4, 1859	June 25, 1860	7	.....do.	Benjamin Fitzpatrick, of Alabama.	
	1	Dec. 5, 1859	.....	202	.....do.	Solomon Foot, of Vermont.	
37th ...	5	June 26, 1860	June 28, 1860	3	Dec. 23, 1862-Jan. 5, 1863	.....do.	Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania.
	2	Dec. 3, 1860	Mar. 3, 1861	93	.....do.	.....do.	
	5	Mar. 4, 1861	Mar. 28, 1861	25	Dec. 23, 1863-Jan. 5, 1864	Solomon Foot, of Vermont; Daniel Clark, of New Hampshire.	Schuyler Colfax, of Indiana.
	1-E	July 4, 1861	Aug. 6, 1861	34	Dec. 22, 1864-Jan. 5, 1865	Daniel Clark, of New Hampshire.	
	2	Dec. 2, 1861	July 17, 1862	228	Dec. 6-Dec. 11, 1865	Lafayette S. Foster, of Connecticut.	Do.
	3	Dec. 1, 1862	Mar. 3, 1863	93	Dec. 21, 1865-Jan. 5, 1866	.....do.	
	3	Mar. 4, 1863	Mar. 14, 1863	11	Dec. 20, 1866-Jan. 3, 1867	.....do.	
	1	Dec. 7, 1863	July 4, 1864	209	Mar. 30-July 3, 1867	Benjamin F. Wade, of Ohio.	Do. <sup>7</sup>
38th ...	5	Dec. 5, 1864	Mar. 3, 1865	89	Dec. 20, 1867-Jan. 6, 1868	.....do.	
	2	Mar. 4, 1865	Mar. 11, 1865	8	July 27-Sept. 21, 1868	.....do.	
	1	Dec. 4, 1865	July 28, 1866	237	Sept. 21-Oct. 16, 1868	.....do.	
39th ...	5	Dec. 3, 1866	Mar. 3, 1867	91	Oct. 16-Nov. 10, 1868	.....do.	
	1	Mar. 4, 1867	Dec. 1, 1867	273	Dec. 21, 1868-Jan. 5, 1869	.....do.	
40th ...	5	Apr. 1, 1867	Apr. 20, 1867	20	Dec. 20, 1867-Jan. 6, 1868	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 2, 1867	Nov. 10, 1868	345	July 27-Sept. 21, 1868	Henry B. Anthony, of Rhode Island	Theodore M. Pomeroy, of New York. <sup>7</sup>
					Sept. 21-Oct. 16, 1868	.....do.	James G. Blaine, of Maine.
41st ...	3	Dec. 7, 1868	Mar. 3, 1869	87	Dec. 21, 1868-Jan. 5, 1869	.....do.	
	1	Mar. 4, 1869	Apr. 10, 1869	38	Dec. 22, 1869-Jan. 10, 1870	.....do.	
	5	Apr. 12, 1869	Apr. 22, 1869	11	Dec. 22, 1870-Jan. 4, 1871	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 6, 1869	July 15, 1870	222	.....do.	.....do.	
	3	Dec. 5, 1870	Mar. 3, 1871	89	Dec. 21, 1871-Jan. 8, 1872	.....do.	
42d ...	1	Mar. 4, 1871	Apr. 20, 1871	48	Dec. 20, 1872-Jan. 6, 1873	.....do.	
	5	May 10, 1871	May 27, 1871	18	.....do.	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 4, 1871	June 10, 1872	190	Dec. 19, 1873-Jan. 5, 1874	.....do.	
	3	Dec. 2, 1872	Mar. 3, 1873	92	Dec. 23, 1874-Jan. 5, 1875	.....do.	
43d ...	5	Mar. 4, 1873	Mar. 26, 1873	23	.....do.	.....do.	
	1	Dec. 1, 1873	June 23, 1874	204	Dec. 21, 1875-Jan. 5, 1876	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 7, 1874	Mar. 3, 1875	87	.....do.	.....do.	
44th ...	5	Mar. 5, 1875	Mar. 24, 1875	20	Dec. 20, 1875-Jan. 5, 1876	.....do.	
	1	Dec. 6, 1875	Aug. 15, 1876	254	.....do.	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 4, 1876	Mar. 3, 1877	90	Dec. 15, 1877-Jan. 10, 1878	.....do.	
45th ...	5	Mar. 5, 1877	Mar. 17, 1877	13	Dec. 20, 1878-Jan. 7, 1879	.....do.	
	1-E	Oct. 15, 1877	Dec. 3, 1877	50	.....do.	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 3, 1877	June 20, 1878	200	Dec. 15, 1877-Jan. 10, 1878	.....do.	
46th ...	3	Dec. 2, 1878	Mar. 3, 1879	92	Dec. 20, 1878-Jan. 7, 1879	.....do.	
	1-E	Mar. 18, 1879	July 1, 1879	106	Dec. 19, 1879-Jan. 6, 1880	.....do.	
	2	Dec. 1, 1879	June 16, 1880	199	Dec. 23, 1880-Jan. 5, 1881	.....do.	
	3	Dec. 6, 1880	Mar. 3, 1881	88	.....do.	.....do.	
47th ...	5	Mar. 4, 1881	May 20, 1881	78	Dec. 22, 1881-Jan. 5, 1882	.....do.	
	1	Dec. 5, 1881	Aug. 8, 1882	247	.....do.	.....do.	
					Dec. 22, 1881-Jan. 5, 1882	Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware; David Davis, of Illinois.	J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio.
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48th ...	2	Dec. 4, 1882	Mar. 3, 1883	90	Dec. 24, 1883–Jan. 7, 1884	Dec. 24, 1883–Jan. 7, 1884	George F. Edmunds, of Vermont.	J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio.
	1	Dec. 3, 1883	July 7, 1884	218	Dec. 24, 1884–Jan. 5, 1885	Dec. 24, 1884–Jan. 5, 1885	.....do.	John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky.
	2	Dec. 1, 1884	Mar. 3, 1885	93	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1885	Apr. 2, 1885	30	.....	.....	.....	.....
	5	Mar. 4, 1885	Apr. 2, 1885	30	.....	.....	.....	.....
49th ...	1	Dec. 7, 1885	Aug. 5, 1886	242	Dec. 21, 1885–Jan. 5, 1886	Dec. 21, 1885–Jan. 5, 1886	John Sherman, of Ohio	Do.
	2	Dec. 6, 1886	Mar. 3, 1887	88	Dec. 22, 1886–Jan. 4, 1887	Dec. 22, 1886–Jan. 4, 1887	John J. Ingalls, of Kansas.	Do.
	1	Dec. 5, 1887	Oct. 20, 1888	321	Dec. 21, 1887–Jan. 4, 1888	Dec. 21, 1887–Jan. 4, 1888	.....do.	.....
	2	Dec. 3, 1888	Mar. 3, 1889	91	Dec. 21, 1888–Jan. 2, 1889	Dec. 21, 1888–Jan. 2, 1889	.....do.	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1889	Apr. 2, 1889	30	.....	.....	.....do.	.....
50th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1889	Oct. 1, 1890	304	Dec. 21, 1889–Jan. 6, 1890	Dec. 21, 1889–Jan. 6, 1890	Charles F. Manderson, of Nebraska.	Thomas B. Reed, of Maine.
	2	Dec. 1, 1890	Mar. 3, 1891	95	.....	.....	.....do.	.....
	1	Dec. 7, 1891	Aug. 5, 1892	251	Dec. 22, 1892–Jan. 4, 1893	Dec. 22, 1892–Jan. 4, 1893	Charles F. Manderson, of Nebraska;	Charles F. Crisp, of Georgia.
	2	Dec. 5, 1892	Mar. 3, 1893	89	.....	.....	.....do.	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1893	Apr. 15, 1893	43	.....	.....	.....do.	.....
51st ...	1-E	Aug. 7, 1893	Nov. 3, 1893	89	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 4, 1893	Aug. 28, 1894	268	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3	Dec. 3, 1894	Mar. 3, 1895	97	.....	.....	.....	.....
54th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1895	June 11, 1896	193	Dec. 22, 1896–Jan. 5, 1897	Dec. 22, 1896–Jan. 5, 1897	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 7, 1896	Mar. 3, 1897	87	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1897	Mar. 10, 1897	11	.....	.....	.....	.....
55th ...	1-E	Mar. 13, 1897	July 24, 1897	131	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 6, 1897	July 8, 1898	215	Dec. 18, 1897–Jan. 5, 1898	Dec. 18, 1897–Jan. 5, 1898	.....	.....
	3	Dec. 5, 1898	Mar. 3, 1899	89	Dec. 21, 1898–Jan. 4, 1899	Dec. 21, 1898–Jan. 4, 1899	.....	.....
56th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1899	June 7, 1900	186	Dec. 20, 1899–Jan. 3, 1900	Dec. 20, 1899–Jan. 3, 1900	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 3, 1900	Mar. 3, 1901	91	Dec. 20, 1900–Jan. 3, 1901	Dec. 20, 1900–Jan. 3, 1901	.....	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1901	Mar. 9, 1901	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
57th ...	1	Dec. 2, 1901	June 11, 1902	193	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 7, 1902	Mar. 3, 1903	87	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3	Mar. 4, 1903	Mar. 10, 1903	11	.....	.....	.....	.....
58th ...	1-E	Mar. 13, 1903	July 24, 1903	131	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 6, 1903	July 8, 1904	215	Dec. 18, 1903–Jan. 5, 1904	Dec. 18, 1903–Jan. 5, 1904	.....	.....
	3	Dec. 5, 1904	Mar. 3, 1905	89	Dec. 21, 1904–Jan. 4, 1905	Dec. 21, 1904–Jan. 4, 1905	.....	.....
59th ...	1	Dec. 4, 1905	June 7, 1906	186	Dec. 20, 1905–Jan. 3, 1906	Dec. 20, 1905–Jan. 3, 1906	.....	.....
	2	Dec. 3, 1906	Mar. 3, 1907	91	Dec. 20, 1906–Jan. 3, 1907	Dec. 20, 1906–Jan. 3, 1907	.....	.....
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					Senate	House of Representatives		
72d	3	Dec. 1, 1930	Mar. 3, 1931	93	Dec. 20, 1930-Jan. 5, 1931	Dec. 20, 1930-Jan. 5, 1931	George H. Moses, of New Hampshire	Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio.
	1	Dec. 7, 1931	July 16, 1932	223	Dec. 22, 1931-Jan. 4, 1932	Dec. 22, 1931-Jan. 4, 1932	do	John N. Garner, of Texas.
	2	Dec. 5, 1932	Mar. 3, 1933	89			do	
73d	5	Mar. 4, 1933	Mar. 6, 1933	3			do	
	1-E	Mar. 9, 1933	June 15, 1933	99			Key Pittman, of Nevada	Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois.
	2	Jan. 3, 1934	June 18, 1934	167			do	
74th	1	Jan. 3, 1935	Aug. 26, 1935	236	June 8-June 15, 1936	June 8-June 15, 1936	do	Joseph W. Byrns, of Tennessee. <sup>11</sup>
	2	Jan. 3, 1936	Aug. 20, 1936	170			do	William B. Bankhead, of Alabama. <sup>11</sup>
	1-E	Jan. 5, 1937	Aug. 21, 1937	229			do	do.
75th	2-E	Nov. 15, 1937	Dec. 21, 1937	37			do	do. <sup>12</sup>
	3	Jan. 3, 1938	June 16, 1938	165			do	
	1	Jan. 3, 1939	Aug. 5, 1939	215			do	
76th	2-E	Sept. 21, 1939	Nov. 3, 1939	44			do	
	3	Jan. 3, 1940	Jan. 3, 1941	366	July 11-July 22, 1940	July 11-July 22, 1940	Key Pittman, of Nevada; <sup>13</sup> William H. King, of Utah. <sup>13</sup>	Sam Rayburn, of Texas. <sup>12</sup>
77th	1	Jan. 3, 1941	Jan. 2, 1942	365			Pat Harrison, of Mississippi; <sup>14</sup> Carter Glass, of Virginia. <sup>14</sup>	do.
	2	Jan. 5, 1942	Dec. 16, 1942	346			do	do.
	1	Jan. 6, 1943	Dec. 21, 1943	350	July 8-Sept. 14, 1943	July 8-Sept. 14, 1943	do	do.
78th	2	Jan. 10, 1944	Dec. 19, 1944	345	Apr. 1-Apr. 12, 1944	Apr. 1-Apr. 12, 1944	do	do.
	1	Jan. 10, 1944	Dec. 19, 1944	345	June 23-Aug. 1, 1944	June 23-Aug. 1, 1944	do	do.
	2	Jan. 10, 1944	Dec. 19, 1944	345	Sept. 21-Nov. 14, 1944	Sept. 21-Nov. 14, 1944	do	do.
79th	1	Jan. 3, 1945	Dec. 21, 1945	353	Aug. 1-Sept. 5, 1945	July 21-Sept. 5, 1945	Kenneth McKellar, of Tennessee	do.
	2	Jan. 14, 1946	Aug. 2, 1946	201			do	do.
80th	15 1	Jan. 3, 1947	Dec. 19, 1947	351	July 27-Nov. 17, 1947	July 27-Nov. 17, 1947	Arthur H. Vandenberg, of Michigan	Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts.
	15 2	Jan. 6, 1948	Dec. 31, 1948	361	June 20-July 26, 1948	June 20-July 26, 1948	do.	do.
					Aug. 7-Dec. 31, 1948	Aug. 7-Dec. 31, 1948		

81st	1	Jan. 3, 1949	Oct. 19, 1949	290	Sept. 23—Nov. 27, 1950	Apr. 6—Apr. 18, 1950	Kenneth McKellar, of Tennessee	Sam Rayburn, of Texas.
	2	Jan. 3, 1950	Jan. 2, 1951	365	.....do.	Sept. 23—Nov. 27, 1950	.....do.	.....do.
82d	1	Jan. 3, 1951	Oct. 20, 1951	291	.....do.	Mar. 22—Apr. 2, 1951	.....do.	Do.
	2	Jan. 8, 1952	July 7, 1952	182	.....do.	Aug. 23—Sept. 12, 1951	.....do.	.....do.
83d	1	Jan. 3, 1953	Aug. 3, 1953	213	.....do.	Apr. 10—Apr. 22, 1952	Styles Bridges, of New Hampshire	Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts.
	2	Jan. 6, 1954	Dec. 2, 1954	331	.....do.	Apr. 2—Apr. 13, 1953	.....do.	.....do.
84th	1	Jan. 5, 1955	Aug. 2, 1955	210	Aug. 20—Nov. 8, 1954	Apr. 15—Apr. 22, 1954	Walter F. George, of Georgia	Sam Rayburn, of Texas.
	2	Jan. 3, 1956	July 27, 1956	207	Nov. 18—Nov. 29, 1954	Adjourned sine die Aug. 20, 1954	.....do.	.....do.
85th	1	Jan. 3, 1957	Aug. 30, 1957	239	Apr. 4—Apr. 13, 1955	Apr. 4—Apr. 13, 1955	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 7, 1958	Aug. 24, 1958	230	Mar. 29—Apr. 9, 1956	Mar. 29—Apr. 9, 1956	Carl Hayden, of Arizona	.....do.
86th	1	Jan. 7, 1959	Sept. 15, 1959	252	Apr. 18—Apr. 29, 1957	Apr. 18—Apr. 29, 1957	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 6, 1960	Sept. 1, 1960	240	Apr. 3—Apr. 14, 1958	Apr. 3—Apr. 14, 1958	.....do.	.....do.
87th	1	Jan. 3, 1961	Sept. 27, 1961	268	Mar. 26—Apr. 7, 1959	Mar. 26—Apr. 7, 1959	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 10, 1962	Oct. 13, 1962	277	Apr. 14—Apr. 18, 1960	Apr. 14—Apr. 18, 1960	.....do.	.....do.
88th	1	Jan. 9, 1963	Dec. 30, 1963	356	May 27—May 31, 1960	May 27—May 31, 1960	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 7, 1964	Oct. 3, 1964	270	July 3—Aug. 8, 1960	July 3—Aug. 15, 1960	.....do.	.....do.
89th	1	Jan. 4, 1965	Oct. 23, 1965	293	.....do.	Apr. 19—Apr. 30, 1962	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 10, 1966	Oct. 22, 1966	286	.....do.	Apr. 11—Apr. 22, 1963	.....do.	.....do.
90th	1	Jan. 10, 1967	Dec. 15, 1967	340	July 10—July 20, 1964	Mar. 26—Apr. 6, 1964	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 15, 1968	Oct. 14, 1968	274	Aug. 21—Aug. 31, 1964	July 2—July 20, 1964	.....do.	.....do.
91st	1	Jan. 3, 1969	Dec. 23, 1969	355	Apr. 7—Apr. 13, 1966	Apr. 7—Apr. 18, 1966	.....do.	.....do.
	2	Jan. 19, 1970	Jan. 2, 1971	349	June 30—July 11, 1966	June 30—July 11, 1966	Richard B. Russell, of Georgia	.....do.
					Mar. 23—Apr. 3, 1967	Mar. 23—Apr. 3, 1967	.....do.	.....do.
					June 29—July 10, 1967	June 29—July 10, 1967	.....do.	.....do.
					Aug. 31—Sept. 11, 1967	Aug. 31—Sept. 11, 1967	.....do.	.....do.
					Nov. 22—Nov. 27, 1967	Nov. 22—Nov. 27, 1967	.....do.	.....do.
					Apr. 11—Apr. 17, 1968	Apr. 11—Apr. 22, 1968	.....do.	.....do.
					May 29—June 3, 1968	May 29—June 3, 1968	.....do.	.....do.
					June 3—July 8, 1968	June 3—July 8, 1968	.....do.	.....do.
					Aug. 2—Sept. 4, 1968	Aug. 2—Sept. 4, 1968	.....do.	.....do.
					Feb. 7—Feb. 17, 1969	Feb. 7—Feb. 17, 1969	.....do.	.....do.
					Apr. 3—Apr. 14, 1969	Apr. 3—Apr. 14, 1969	.....do.	.....do.
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					Sept. 2—Sept. 8, 1970	Sept. 2—Sept. 8, 1970	.....do.	.....do.
					Oct. 14—Nov. 16, 1970	July 1—July 6, 1970	.....do.	.....do.
					Nov. 25—Nov. 30, 1970	Aug. 14—Sept. 9, 1970	.....do.	.....do.
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92d	1	Jan. 21, 1971 .....	Dec. 17, 1971 ...	331	Feb. 11-Feb. 17, 1971 .....	Feb. 10-Feb. 17, 1971 .....	Richard B. Russell, of Georgia; <sup>17</sup> Allen J. Ellender, of Louisiana. <sup>17</sup>	Carl B. Albert, of Oklahoma.
					Apr. 7-Apr. 14, 1971 .....	Apr. 7-Apr. 19, 1971 .....		
					May 26-June 1, 1971 .....	May 27-June 1, 1971 .....		
93d	2	Jan. 18, 1972 .....	Oct. 18, 1972 ...	275	June 30-July 6, 1971 .....	July 1-July 6, 1971 .....	Allen J. Ellender, of Louisiana; <sup>18</sup> James O. Eastland, of Mississippi. <sup>18</sup>	Do.
					Aug. 6-Sept. 8, 1971 .....	Aug. 6-Sept. 8, 1971 .....		
					Oct. 21-Oct. 26, 1971 .....	Oct. 7-Oct. 12, 1971 .....		
93d	1	Jan. 3, 1973 .....	Dec. 22, 1973 ...	354	Nov. 24-Nov. 29, 1971 .....	Nov. 19-Nov. 29, 1971 .....	James O. Eastland, of Mississippi .....	Do.
					Feb. 9-Feb. 14, 1972 .....	Feb. 9-Feb. 16, 1972 .....		
					Mar. 30-Apr. 4, 1972 .....	Mar. 29-Apr. 10, 1972 .....		
93d	2	Jan. 21, 1974 .....	Dec. 20, 1974 ...	334	May 25-May 30, 1972 .....	May 24-May 30, 1972 .....	.....do.	.....do.
					June 30-July 17, 1972 .....	June 30-July 17, 1972 .....		
					Aug. 18-Sept. 5, 1972 .....	Aug. 18-Sept. 5, 1972 .....		

94th ...	1	Jan. 14, 1975 .....	Dec. 19, 1975 ...	340	<p>Mar. 26-Apr. 7, 1975 .....</p> <p>May 22-June 2, 1975 .....</p> <p>June 27-July 7, 1975 .....</p> <p>Aug. 1-Sept. 3, 1975 .....</p> <p>Oct. 9-Oct. 20, 1975 .....</p> <p>Oct. 23-Oct. 28, 1975 .....</p> <p>Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 1975 .....</p> <p>Feb. 11-Feb. 16, 1976 .....</p> <p>Apr. 14-Apr. 26, 1976 .....</p> <p>May 27-June 1, 1976 .....</p> <p>July 2-July 19, 1976 .....</p> <p>Aug. 10-Aug. 23, 1976 .....</p> <p>Sept. 1-Sept. 7, 1976 .....</p> <p>Feb. 11-Feb. 21, 1977 .....</p> <p>Apr. 7-Apr. 18, 1977 .....</p> <p>May 27-June 6, 1977 .....</p> <p>July 1-July 11, 1977 .....</p> <p>Aug. 6-Sept. 7, 1977 .....</p> <p>Feb. 10-Feb. 20, 1978 .....</p> <p>Mar. 23-Apr. 3, 1978 .....</p> <p>May 26-June 5, 1978 .....</p> <p>June 29-July 10, 1978 .....</p> <p>Aug. 25-Sept. 6, 1978 .....</p> <p>Feb. 9-Feb. 19, 1979 .....</p> <p>Apr. 10-Apr. 23, 1979 .....</p> <p>May 24-June 4, 1979 .....</p> <p>June 27-July 9, 1979 .....</p> <p>Aug. 3-Sept. 5, 1979 .....</p> <p>Nov. 20-Nov. 26, 1979 .....</p> <p>1979</p> <p>Apr. 3-Apr. 15, 1980 .....</p> <p>May 22-May 28, 1980 .....</p> <p>July 2-July 21, 1980 .....</p> <p>Aug. 6-Aug. 18, 1980 .....</p> <p>Aug. 27-Sept. 3, 1980 .....</p> <p>Oct. 1-Nov. 12, 1980 .....</p> <p>Nov. 25-Dec. 1, 1980 .....</p> <p>Feb. 6-Feb. 16, 1981 .....</p> <p>Apr. 10-Apr. 27, 1981 .....</p> <p>June 25-July 9, 1981 .....</p> <p>Aug. 3-Sept. 9, 1981 .....</p> <p>Oct. 7-Oct. 14, 1981 .....</p> <p>Nov. 24-Nov. 30, 1981 .....</p> <p>Feb. 11-Feb. 22, 1982 .....</p> <p>Apr. 1-Apr. 13, 1982 .....</p> <p>May 27-June 8, 1982 .....</p> <p>July 1-July 12, 1982 .....</p> <p>Aug. 20-Sept. 8, 1982 .....</p> <p>Oct. 1-Nov. 29, 1982 .....</p>	<p>Mar. 26-Apr. 7, 1975 .....</p> <p>May 22-June 2, 1975 .....</p> <p>June 26-July 8, 1975 .....</p> <p>Aug. 1-Sept. 3, 1975 .....</p> <p>Oct. 9-Oct. 20, 1975 .....</p> <p>Oct. 23-Oct. 28, 1975 .....</p> <p>Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 1975 .....</p> <p>Feb. 11-Feb. 16, 1976 .....</p> <p>Apr. 14-Apr. 26, 1976 .....</p> <p>May 27-June 1, 1976 .....</p> <p>July 2-July 19, 1976 .....</p> <p>Aug. 10-Aug. 23, 1976 .....</p> <p>Sept. 2-Sept. 8, 1976 .....</p> <p>Feb. 9-Feb. 16, 1977 .....</p> <p>Apr. 6-Apr. 18, 1977 .....</p> <p>May 26-June 1, 1977 .....</p> <p>June 30-July 11, 1977 .....</p> <p>Aug. 5-Sept. 7, 1977 .....</p> <p>Oct. 6-Oct. 11, 1977 .....</p> <p>Feb. 9-Feb. 14, 1978 .....</p> <p>Mar. 22-Apr. 3, 1978 .....</p> <p>May 25-May 31, 1978 .....</p> <p>June 29-July 10, 1978 .....</p> <p>Aug. 17-Sept. 6, 1978 .....</p> <p>Feb. 8-Feb. 13, 1979 .....</p> <p>Apr. 10-Apr. 23, 1979 .....</p> <p>May 24-May 30, 1979 .....</p> <p>June 29-July 9, 1979 .....</p> <p>Aug. 2-Sept. 5, 1979 .....</p> <p>Nov. 20-Nov. 26, 1979 .....</p> <p>Feb. 13-Feb. 19, 1980 .....</p> <p>Apr. 2-Apr. 15, 1980 .....</p> <p>May 22-May 28, 1980 .....</p> <p>July 2-July 21, 1980 .....</p> <p>Aug. 1-Aug. 18, 1980 .....</p> <p>Aug. 28-Sept. 3, 1980 .....</p> <p>Oct. 2-Nov. 12, 1980 .....</p> <p>Nov. 21-Dec. 1, 1980 .....</p> <p>Feb. 6-Feb. 17, 1981 .....</p> <p>Apr. 10-Apr. 27, 1981 .....</p> <p>June 26-July 9, 1981 .....</p> <p>Aug. 4-Sept. 9, 1981 .....</p> <p>Oct. 7-Oct. 13, 1981 .....</p> <p>Nov. 23-Nov. 30, 1981 .....</p> <p>Feb. 10-Feb. 22, 1982 .....</p> <p>Apr. 6-Apr. 20, 1982 .....</p> <p>May 27-June 2, 1982 .....</p> <p>July 1-July 12, 1982 .....</p> <p>Aug. 20-Sept. 8, 1982 .....</p> <p>Oct. 1-Nov. 29, 1982 .....</p>	<p>Do.</p>
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96th ...	1	Jan. 15, 1979 .....	Jan. 3, 1980 .....	354	<p>Warren G. Magnuson, of Washington ...</p>	<p>Do.</p>	
97th ...	2	Jan. 3, 1980 .....	Dec. 16, 1980 ...	349	<p>Warren G. Magnuson, of Washington; Milton Young, of North Dakota;<sup>19</sup> Warren G. Magnuson, of Washington.<sup>19</sup></p>	<p>Do.</p>	
97th ...	1	Jan. 5, 1981 .....	Dec. 16, 1981 ...	347	<p>Strom Thurmond, of South Carolina .....</p>	<p>Do.</p>	
97th ...	2	Jan. 25, 1982 .....	Dec. 23, 1982 ...	333	<p>Do.</p>	<p>Do.</p>	

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					Feb. 3-Feb. 14, 1983 .....	Feb. 17-Feb. 22, 1983 .....		
					Mar. 24-Apr. 5, 1983 .....	Mar. 24-Apr. 5, 1983 .....		
					May 26-June 6, 1983 .....	May 26-June 1, 1983 .....		
99th ...	1	Jan. 3, 1985 .....	Dec. 20, 1985 ...	352	June 29-July 23, 1984 .....	June 30-July 11, 1983 .....	.....do.	Do.
					Aug. 4-Sept. 12, 1983 .....	Aug. 4-Sept. 12, 1983 .....		
					Oct. 7-Oct. 17, 1983 .....	Oct. 6-Oct. 17, 1983 .....		
					Feb. 9-Feb. 20, 1984 .....	Feb. 9-Feb. 21, 1984 .....		
100th ...	2	Jan. 23, 1984 .....	Oct. 12, 1984 ...	264	Apr. 12-Apr. 24, 1984 .....	Apr. 12-Apr. 24, 1984 .....	.....do.	Do.
					May 24-May 31, 1984 .....	May 24-May 30, 1984 .....		
					June 29-July 23, 1984 .....	June 29-July 23, 1984 .....		
					Aug. 10-Sept. 5, 1984 .....	Aug. 10-Sept. 5, 1984 .....		
101st ...	1	Jan. 3, 1985 .....	Dec. 20, 1985 ...	352	Jan. 7-Jan. 21, 1985 .....	Jan. 3-Jan. 21, 1985 .....	.....do.	Do.
					Feb. 7-Feb. 18, 1985 .....	Feb. 7-Feb. 19, 1985 .....		
					Apr. 4-Apr. 15, 1985 .....	Mar. 7-Mar. 19, 1985 .....		
					May 9-May 14, 1985 .....	Apr. 4-Apr. 15, 1985 .....		
102nd ...	2	Jan. 21, 1986 .....	Oct. 18, 1986 ...	278	June 27-July 8, 1985 .....	June 27-July 8, 1985 .....	.....do.	Do.
					Aug. 1-Sept. 9, 1985 .....	Aug. 1-Sept. 4, 1985 .....		
					Nov. 23-Dec. 2, 1985 .....	Nov. 21-Dec. 2, 1985 .....		
					Feb. 7-Feb. 17, 1986 .....	Feb. 6-Feb. 18, 1986 .....		
103rd ...	2	Jan. 21, 1986 .....	Oct. 18, 1986 ...	278	Mar. 27-Apr. 8, 1986 .....	Mar. 25-Apr. 8, 1986 .....	.....do.	Do.
					May 21-June 2, 1986 .....	May 22-June 3, 1986 .....		
					June 26-July 7, 1986 .....	June 26-July 14, 1986 .....		
					Aug. 15-Sept. 8, 1986 .....	Aug. 16-Sept. 8, 1986 .....		

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	2	Jan. 25, 1988	Oct. 22, 1988	272	Feb. 4-Feb. 15, 1988 Mar. 4-Mar. 14, 1988 Mar. 31-Apr. 11, 1988 Apr. 29-May 9, 1988 May 27-June 6, 1988 June 29-July 6, 1988 July 14-July 25, 1988 Aug. 11-Sept. 7, 1988	.....do.	
101st ..	1	Jan. 3, 1989	Nov. 22, 1989	324	Jan. 4-Jan. 20, 1989 Jan. 20-Jan. 25, 1989 Feb. 9-Feb. 21, 1989 Mar. 17-Apr. 4, 1989 Apr. 19-May 1, 1989 May 18-May 31, 1989 June 23-July 11, 1989 Aug. 4-Sept. 6, 1989	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia	James C. Wright, Jr., of Texas; <sup>20</sup> Thomas S. Foley, of Washington; <sup>20</sup>
	2	Jan. 23, 1990	Oct. 28, 1990	260	Feb. 8-Feb. 20, 1990 Mar. 9-Mar. 20, 1990 Apr. 5-Apr. 18, 1990 May 24-June 5, 1990 June 28-July 10, 1990 Aug. 4-Sept. 10, 1990	.....do.	
102d ..	1	Jan. 3, 1991	Jan. 3, 1992	366	Feb. 7-Feb. 19, 1991 Mar. 22-Apr. 9, 1991 Apr. 25-May 6, 1991 May 24-June 3, 1991 June 28-July 8, 1991 Aug. 2-Sept. 10, 1991 Nov. 27, 1991-Jan. 3, 1992	.....do	Thomas S. Foley, of Washington.
	2	Jan. 3, 1992	Oct. 9, 1992	281	Jan. 3-Jan. 21, 1992 Feb. 7-Feb. 18, 1992 Apr. 10-Apr. 28, 1992 May 21-June 1, 1992 July 2-July 20, 1992 Aug. 12-Sept. 8, 1992	.....do.	

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

105th..	2	Jan. 3, 1996	Oct. 4, 1996	276	Jan. 10–Jan. 22, 1996 Mar. 29–Apr. 15, 1996 May 24–June 3, 1996 June 28–July 8, 1996 Aug. 2–Sept. 3, 1996 Jan. 9–Jan. 21, 1997 Jan. 21–Feb. 4, 1997 Feb. 13–Feb. 25, 1997 Mar. 21–Apr. 7, 1997 June 27–July 7, 1997 July 31–Sept. 2, 1997 Oct. 9–Oct. 20, 1997 Feb. 13–Feb. 23, 1998 Apr. 3–Apr. 20, 1998 May 22–June 1, 1998 June 26–July 6, 1998 July 31–Aug. 31, 1998 Adjourned sine die, Oct. 21, 1998.	.....do. .....do	Do.
106th..	1	Jan. 7, 1997	Nov. 13, 1997	311	Jan. 9–Jan. 22, 1996 Mar. 29–Apr. 15, 1996 May 24–June 3, 1996 June 28–July 8, 1996 Aug. 2–Sept. 3, 1996 Jan. 9–Jan. 20, 1997 Jan. 21–Feb. 4, 1997 Feb. 13–Feb. 25, 1997 Mar. 21–Apr. 8, 1997 June 26–July 8, 1997 Aug. 1–Sept. 3, 1997 Oct. 9–Oct. 21, 1997 Jan. 28–Feb. 3, 1998 Feb. 5–Feb. 11, 1998 Feb. 12–Feb. 24, 1998 Apr. 1–Apr. 21, 1998 May 22–June 3, 1998 June 25–July 14, 1998 Aug. 7–Sept. 9, 1998 Oct. 21–Dec. 17, 1998 Jan. 6–Jan. 19, 1999 Jan. 19–Feb. 2, 1999 Feb. 12–Feb. 23, 1999 Mar. 25–Apr. 12, 1999 May 27–June 7, 1999 July 1–July 12, 1999 Aug. 6–Sept. 8, 1999 Jan. 6–Jan. 20, 2000 Apr. 13–May 2, 2000 May 25–June 6, 2000 June 30–July 10, 2000 July 27–Sept. 6, 2000 Nov. 3–Nov. 13, 2000 Nov. 14–Dec. 4, 2000 Jan. 6–Jan. 20, 2001 Jan. 20–Jan. 30, 2001 Jan. 31–Feb. 6, 2001 Feb. 14–Feb. 26, 2001 Apr. 4–Apr. 24, 2001 May 26–June 5, 2001 June 28–July 10, 2001 Aug. 2–Sept. 5, 2001 Oct. 17–Oct. 23, 2001 Nov. 19–Nov. 27, 2001 Jan. 29–Feb. 4, 2002 Feb. 14–Feb. 26, 2002 Mar. 20–Apr. 9, 2002 May 24–June 4, 2002 June 28–July 8, 2002 July 27–Sept. 4, 2002	.....do	J. Dennis Hastert, of Illinois.
107th..	2	Jan. 27, 1998	Dec. 19, 1998	327	Feb. 12–Feb. 22, 2000 Mar. 9–Mar. 20, 2000 Apr. 13–Apr. 25, 2000 May 25–June 6, 2000 June 30–July 10, 2000 July 27–Sept. 5, 2000 Nov. 2–Nov. 14, 2000 Nov. 14–Dec. 5, 2000 Jan. 8–Jan. 20, 2001 Jan. 15–Feb. 26, 2001 Apr. 6–Apr. 23, 2001 May 26–June 5, 2001 June 29–July 9, 2001 Aug. 3–Sept. 4, 2001 Oct. 18–Oct. 23, 2001 Nov. 16–Nov. 27, 2001 Jan. 29–Feb. 4, 2002 Feb. 15–Feb. 25, 2002 Mar. 22–Apr. 8, 2002 May 23–June 3, 2002 June 28–July 8, 2002 Aug. 1–Sept. 3, 2002	.....do	Do.
108th..	1	Jan. 6, 1999	Nov. 22, 1999	321	Jan. 6–Jan. 20, 2001 Jan. 20–Jan. 30, 2001 Jan. 31–Feb. 6, 2001 Feb. 14–Feb. 26, 2001 Apr. 4–Apr. 24, 2001 May 26–June 5, 2001 June 28–July 10, 2001 Aug. 2–Sept. 5, 2001 Oct. 17–Oct. 23, 2001 Nov. 19–Nov. 27, 2001 Jan. 29–Feb. 4, 2002 Feb. 14–Feb. 26, 2002 Mar. 20–Apr. 9, 2002 May 24–June 4, 2002 June 28–July 8, 2002 July 27–Sept. 4, 2002	.....do	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia; <sup>21</sup> Strom Thurmond, of South Carolina; <sup>21</sup> Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia. <sup>21</sup>
109th..	2	Jan. 24, 2000	Dec. 15, 2000	326	Jan. 29–Feb. 4, 2002 Feb. 15–Feb. 25, 2002 Mar. 22–Apr. 8, 2002 May 23–June 3, 2002 June 28–July 8, 2002 Aug. 1–Sept. 3, 2002	.....do	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia.

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					Senate	House of Representatives		
108th...	1	Jan. 7, 2003 .....	Dec. 9, 2003 .....	337	Feb. 14–Feb. 24, 2003 .....	Jan. 8–Jan. 27, 2003 .....	Ted Stevens, of Alaska .....	J. Dennis Hastert, of Illinois.
					Apr. 11–Apr. 28, 2003 .....	Feb. 13–Feb. 25, 2003 .....		
					May 23–June 2, 2003 .....	Apr. 12–Apr. 29, 2003 .....		
					June 27–July 7, 2003 .....	May 23–June 2, 2003 .....		
					Aug. 1–Sept. 2, 2003 .....	June 27–July 7, 2003 .....		
					Oct. 3–Oct. 14, 2003 .....	July 29–Sept. 3, 2003 .....		
					Nov. 25–Dec. 9, 2003 .....	Nov. 25–Dec. 8, 2003 .....		
					Feb. 12–Feb. 23, 2004 .....	Feb. 11–Feb. 24, 2004 .....		
					Mar. 12–Mar. 22, 2004 .....	Apr. 2–Apr. 20, 2004 .....		
					Apr. 8–Apr. 19, 2004 .....	May 20–June 1, 2004 .....		
May 21–June 1, 2004 .....	June 9–June 14, 2004 .....							
June 9–June 14, 2004 .....	June 25–July 6, 2004 .....							
July 25–July 6, 2004 .....	July 22–Sept. 7, 2004 .....							
Oct. 11–Nov. 16, 2004 .....	Oct. 9–Nov. 16, 2004 .....							
Nov. 24–Dec. 7, 2004 .....	Nov. 24–Dec. 6, 2004 .....							
109th...	1	Jan. 4, 2005 .....	Dec. 22, 2005 ...	353	Jan. 6–Jan. 20, 2005 .....	Jan. 6–Jan. 20, 2005 .....	Do.	Do.
					Jan. 26–Jan. 31, 2005 .....	Jan. 20–Jan. 25, 2005 .....		
					Feb. 18–Feb. 28, 2005 .....	Jan. 26–Feb. 1, 2005 .....		
					Mar. 20–Apr. 4, 2005 .....	Feb. 2–Feb. 8, 2005 .....		
					Apr. 29–May 9, 2005 .....	Feb. 17–Mar. 1, 2005 .....		
					May 26–June 6, 2005 .....	Mar. 21–Apr. 5, 2005 .....		
					July 1–July 11, 2005 .....	May 26–June 7, 2005 .....		
					July 29–Sept. 1, 2005 .....	July 1–July 11, 2005 .....		
					Sept. 1–Sept. 6, 2005 .....	July 29–Sept. 2, 2005 .....		
					Oct. 7–Oct. 17, 2005 .....	Oct. 7–Oct. 17, 2005 .....		
Nov. 18–Dec. 12, 2005 .....	Nov. 18–Dec. 6, 2005 .....							

110th..	1	Jan. 4, 2007 .....	.....	.....	341	Jan. 3–Jan. 18, 2006 .....	.....do.	Robert C. Byrd, of West Virginia .....	Nancy Pelosi, of California.
	2	Jan. 3, 2006 .....	Dec. 9, 2006 .....	.....	.....	Jan. 3–Jan. 31, 2006 .....	.....do.	.....	.....
		Jan. 17–Feb. 7, 2006	Feb. 1–Feb. 7, 2006	.....	.....	Feb. 1–Feb. 7, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Mar. 16–Mar. 27, 2006	Mar. 16–Mar. 27, 2006	.....	.....	Feb. 8–Feb. 14, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Apr. 7–Apr. 24, 2006	Apr. 7–Apr. 24, 2006	.....	.....	Feb. 16–Feb. 28, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		May 26–June 5, 2006	May 26–June 5, 2006	.....	.....	Mar. 16–Mar. 28, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		June 29–July 10, 2006	June 29–July 10, 2006	.....	.....	Apr. 6–Apr. 25, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Aug. 4–Sept. 5, 2006	Aug. 4–Sept. 5, 2006	.....	.....	May 25–June 6, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Sept. 30–Nov. 9, 2006	Sept. 30–Nov. 9, 2006	.....	.....	June 29–July 10, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Nov. 16–Dec. 4, 2006	Nov. 16–Dec. 4, 2006	.....	.....	Aug. 2–Sept. 6, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		.....	.....	.....	.....	Sept. 30–Nov. 9, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Jan. 17–Feb. 26, 2007	Jan. 17–Feb. 26, 2007	.....	.....	Nov. 15–Dec. 5, 2006	.....do.	.....	.....
		Mar. 29–Apr. 10, 2007	Mar. 29–Apr. 10, 2007	.....	.....	Jan. 24–Jan. 29, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....
		May 25–June 4, 2007	May 25–June 4, 2007	.....	.....	Jan. 31–Feb. 5, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....
		June 29–July 9, 2007	June 29–July 9, 2007	.....	.....	Feb. 16–Feb. 27, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....
		.....	.....	.....	.....	Mar. 30–Apr. 16, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....
		.....	.....	.....	.....	May 24–June 5, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....
		.....	.....	.....	.....	June 28–July 10, 2007	.....do.	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this table, a session's "length in days" is defined as the total number of calendar days from the convening date to the adjournment date, inclusive. It does not mean the actual number of days that Congress met during that session.

<sup>2</sup> For the purposes of this table, a "recess" is defined as any period of three or more complete days—excluding Sundays—when either the House of Representatives or the Senate is not in session; however, as listed, the recess periods also are inclusive of days only partially in the recess, i.e., the day (or days) when the House and Senate each adjourn to begin the recess, as well as the day (or days) when each body reconvenes at the end of the recess.

<sup>3</sup> The election and role of the President pro tempore has evolved considerably over the Senate's history. "Pro tempore" is Latin for "for the time being"; thus, the post was conceived as a temporary presiding officer. In the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the Senate frequently elected several Presidents pro tempore during a single session. Since Vice Presidents presided routinely, the Senate thought it necessary to choose a President pro tempore only for the limited periods when the Vice President might be ill or otherwise absent. "Since no provision was in place (until the 25th amendment was adopted in 1967) for replacing the Vice President if he died or resigned from office, or if he assumed the Presidency, the President pro tempore would continue under such circumstances to fill the duties of the chair until the next Vice President was elected. Since Mar. 12, 1890, however, Presidents pro tempore have served until "the Senate otherwise ordered." Since 1949, while still elected, the position has gone to the most senior member of the majority party (see footnote 19 for a minority party exception). To gain a more complete understanding of this position, see Robert C. Byrd's *The Senate 1789–1989: Addresses on the History of the United States Senate*, vol. 2, ch. 6 "The President Pro Tempore," pp. 167–183, from which the quotes in this footnote are taken. Also, a complete listing of the dates of election of the Presidents pro tempore is in vol. 4 of the Byrd series (*The Senate 1789–1989: Historical Statistics, 1789–1992*), table 6–2, pp. 647–653.

<sup>4</sup> Henry Clay resigned as Speaker on Jan. 19, 1814. He was succeeded by Langdon Cheves who was elected on that same day.

<sup>5</sup> Henry Clay resigned as Speaker on Oct. 28, 1820, after the sine die adjournment of the first session of the 16th Congress. He was succeeded by John W. Taylor who was elected at the beginning of the second session.

<sup>6</sup> Andrew Stevenson resigned as Speaker on June 2, 1834. He was succeeded by John Bell who was elected on that same day.

<sup>7</sup> Speaker Schuyler Colfax resigned as Speaker on the last day of the 40th Congress, Mar. 3, 1869, in preparation for becoming Vice President of the United States on the following day. Theodore M. Pomeroy was elected Speaker on Mar. 3, and served for only that one day.

<sup>8</sup> Speaker Michael C. Kerr died on Aug. 19, 1876, after the sine die adjournment of the first session of the 44th Congress. Samuel J. Randall was elected Speaker at the beginning of the second session.

<sup>9</sup> William P. Frye resigned as President pro tempore on Apr. 27, 1911.

<sup>10</sup> President pro tempore James P. Clarke died on Oct. 1, 1916, after the sine die adjournment of the first session of the 64th Congress. Willard Saulsbury was elected President pro tempore during the second session.

<sup>11</sup> Speaker Joseph W. Byrns died on June 4, 1936. He was succeeded by William B. Bankhead who was elected Speaker on that same day.

<sup>12</sup> Speaker William B. Bankhead died on Sept. 15, 1940. He was succeeded by Sam Rayburn who was elected Speaker on that same day.

<sup>13</sup> President pro tempore Key Pittman died on Nov. 10, 1940. He was succeeded by William H. King who was elected President pro tempore on Nov. 19, 1940.

<sup>14</sup> President pro tempore Pat Harrison died on June 22, 1941. He was succeeded by Carter Glass who was elected President pro tempore on July 10, 1941.

<sup>15</sup> President Harry S. Truman called the Congress into extraordinary session twice, both times during the 80th Congress. Each time Congress had essentially wrapped up its business for the year, but for technical reasons had not adjourned sine die, so in each case the extraordinary session is considered an extension of the regularly numbered session rather than a separately numbered one. The dates of these extraordinary sessions were Nov. 17 to Dec. 19, 1947, and July 26 to Aug. 7, 1948.

<sup>16</sup> Speaker Sam Rayburn died on Nov. 16, 1961, after the sine die adjournment of the first session of the 87th Congress. John W. McCormack was elected Speaker at the beginning of the second session.

<sup>17</sup> President pro tempore Richard B. Russell died on Jan. 21, 1971. He was succeeded by Allen J. Ellender who was elected to that position on Jan. 22, 1971.

<sup>18</sup> President pro tempore Allen J. Ellender died on July 27, 1972. He was succeeded by James O. Eastland who was elected President pro tempore on July 28, 1972.

<sup>19</sup> Milton Young 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. Warren G. Magnuson resumed the position of President pro tempore on Dec. 6, 1980.

<sup>20</sup> James C. Wright, Jr., resigned as Speaker on June 6, 1989. He was succeeded by Thomas S. Foley who was elected on that same day.

<sup>21</sup>The 2000 election resulted in an even split in the Senate between Republicans and Democrats. From the date the 107th Congress convened on Jan. 3, 2001, until Inauguration Day on Jan. 20, 2001, Vice President Albert Gore tipped the scale to a Democratic majority, hence Robert C. Byrd served as President pro tempore during this brief period. When Vice President Richard B. Cheney took office on Jan. 20, the Republicans became the majority party, and Strom Thurmond was elected President pro tempore. On June 6, 2001, Republican Senator James Jeffords became an Independent, creating a Democratic majority, and Robert C. Byrd was elected President pro tempore on that day.

### **CEREMONIAL MEETINGS OF CONGRESS**

The following ceremonial meetings of Congress occurred on the following dates, at the designated locations, and for the reasons indicated. Please note that Congress was not in session on these occasions.

—999July 16, 1987, 100th Congress, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Independence Hall and Congress Hall—In honor of the bicentennial of the Constitution, and in commemoration of the Great Compromise of the Constitutional Convention which was agreed to on July 16, 1787.  
 —999September 6, 2002, 107th Congress, New York City, New York, Federal Hall—In remembrance of the victims and heroes of September 11, 2001, and in recognition of the courage and spirit of the City of New York.