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FOREWORD

This report reviewing the legislative activity during the 105th Congress of the Committee on Rules and Administration is submitted pursuant to paragraph 8(b) of Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate. Paragraph 8 provides that standing committees of the Senate shall review and study, on a continuing basis, the application, administration, and execution of those laws, or parts thereof, the subject matter of which is within their jurisdiction, and submit to the Senate, not later than March 31 of each odd-numbered year, a report detailing the activities of that committee for the preceding Congress. The text of paragraph 8 of rule XXVI is as follows:

8. (a) In order to assist the Senate in—

(1) its analysis, appraisal, and evaluation of the application, administration, and execution of the laws enacted by the Congress, and

(2) its formulation, consideration, and enactment of such modifications of or changes in those laws, and of such additional legislation, as may be necessary or appropriate,

each standing committee (except the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget), shall review and study, on a continuing basis the application, administration, and execution of those laws, or parts of laws, the subject matter of which is within the legislative jurisdiction of that committee. Such committees may carry out the required analysis, appraisal, and evaluation themselves, or by contract, or may require a Government agency to do so and furnish a report thereon to the Senate. Such committees may rely on such techniques as pilot testing, analysis of costs in comparison with benefits, or provision for evaluation after a defined period of time.

(b) In each odd-numbered year, each such committee shall submit, not later than March 31, to the Senate, a report on the activities of that committee under this paragraph during the Congress ending at noon on January 3 of such year.

MITCH MCCONNELL, *Chairman*.

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Mr. McCONNELL, from the Committee on Rules and
Administration, submitted the following

REPORT

[Pursuant to paragraph 8(b) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate]

JURISDICTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The jurisdiction of the Committee on Rules and Administration is set forth in paragraph 1(n)(1) of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. The following are excerpts from that paragraph.

RULE XXV

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of each Congress, and shall continue and have the power to act until their successors are appointed, with leave to report by bill or otherwise on matters within their respective jurisdictions:

* * * * *

(n)(1) Committee on Rules and Administration, to which committee shall be referred all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following subjects:

1. Administration of the Senate Office Buildings and the Senate wing of the Capitol, including the assignment of office space.
2. Congressional organization relative to rules and procedures, and Senate rules and regulations, including floor and gallery rules.
3. Corrupt practices.
4. Credentials and qualifications of Members of the Senate, contested elections, and acceptance of incompatible offices.

5. Federal elections generally, including the election of the President, Vice President, and Members of the Congress.

6. Government Printing Office, and the printing and correction of the Congressional Record, as well as those matters provided for under rule XI.

7. Meeting of the Congress and attendance of Members.

8. Payment of money out of the contingent fund of the Senate or creating a charge upon the same (except that any resolution relating to substantive matter within the jurisdiction of any other standing committee of the Senate shall be first referred to such committee).

9. Presidential succession.

10. Purchase of books and manuscripts and erection of monuments to the memory of individuals.

11. Senate Library and statuary, art, and pictures in the Capitol and Senate Office Buildings.

12. Services to the Senate, including the Senate restaurant.

13. United States Capitol and congressional office buildings, the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian Institution (and the incorporation of similar institutions), and the Botanic Gardens.

(2) Such committee shall also—

(A) make a continuing study of the organization and operation of the Congress of the United States and shall recommend improvements in such organization and operation with a view toward strengthening the Congress, simplifying its operations, improving its relationships with other branches of the United States Government, and enabling it better to meet its responsibilities under the Constitution of the United States; and

(B) identify any court proceeding or action which, in the opinion of the Committee, is of vital interest to the Congress as a constitutionally established institution of the Federal Government and call such proceeding or action to the attention of the Senate.

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COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

During the 105th Congress, a total of 83 legislative measures were referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration, of which 27 were reported to the Senate. The 83 total measures included 30 Senate resolutions (25 reported, of which 6 were agreed to), 8 Senate and House concurrent resolutions (1 reported and 2 agreed to by both the House and Senate), and 45 Senate and House bills and joint resolutions (1 reported).

MEASURES REPORTED TO THE SENATE BY THE COMMITTEE

1. S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 105-413.

2. S. Con. Res. 33, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National SAFE KIDS Campaign SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Car Seat Check Up (without written report).

3. S. Res. 20, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

4. S. Res. 26, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

5. S. Res. 27, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Finance. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

6. S. Res. 28, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

7. S. Res. 29, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

8. S. Res. 30, to authorize expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

9. S. Res. 31, to provide for members on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress (without written report).

10. S. Res. 32, to authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of the committees of the Senate (without written report).

11. S. Res. 33, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Appropriations. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

12. S. Res. 34, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

13. S. Res. 35, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

14. S. Res. 37, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

15. S. Res. 38, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

16. S. Res. 39, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Governmental Affairs. Provisions pertaining to regular operations reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

17. S. Res. 39, including those provisions pertaining to special investigations (without written report).

18. S. Res. 40, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Small Business. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

19. S. Res. 41, to authorize expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

20. S. Res. 42, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration (without written report). Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

21. S. Res. 43, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

22. S. Res. 44, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on the Budget. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

23. S. Res. 45, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

24. S. Res. 46, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported as a provision of S. Res. 54.

25. S. Res. 54, to authorize biennial expenditures by the committees of the Senate for the period March 1, 1997 through February 28, 1999. S. Rept. 105-9.

26. S. Res. 110, to permit an individual with a disability with access to the Senate floor to bring necessary supporting aids and services (without written report).

27. S. Res. 126, to authorize additional expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs (without written report).

MEASURES CONSIDERED IN SENATE

S. 25, to reform the financing of Federal elections, was referred to Rules Committee on Jan. 21, 1997. The Committee was discharged from further consideration on Sept. 25, 1997, and the measure was laid before the Senate by unanimous consent on Sept. 26, 1997. Cloture motions were presented and considered on Oct. 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1997, but cloture was not invoked.

MEASURES APPROVED BY SENATE

S. Con. Res. 33, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National SAFE KIDS Campaign SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Car Seat Check Up.

S. Con. Res. 120, to redesignate the United States Capitol Police headquarters building located at 119 D Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C., as the "Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building".

S. Res. 31, providing for members on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee on the Library.

S. Res. 32, to authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of the committees of the Senate.

S. Res. 39, to authorize expenditures for special investigations by the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

S. Res. 54, to authorize biennial expenditures by committees of the Senate for the period March 1, 1997 through Feb. 28, 1999.

S. Res. 110, to permit an individual with a disability with access to the Senate floor to bring necessary supporting aids and services.

S. Res. 126, to authorize additional expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MEASURES OBIATED

During the 105th Congress, the following 25 measures referred to the Committee were obviated by the passage of another piece of legislation:

S. 278, to guarantee the right of all active military personnel, merchant mariners, and their dependents to vote in Federal, State, and local elections. *Obviated by the passage of S. 1566.*

S. 1486, to authorize acquisition of certain real property for the Library of Congress. *Obviated by the passage of H.R. 2979.*

S. Con. Res. 42, authorizing the use of the Capitol rotunda for a ceremony honoring Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. *Obviated by the passage of H. Con. Res. 134.*

S. Con. Res. 118, authorizing the use of the Capitol rotunda on Sept. 23, 1998, for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Mandela. *Obviated by the passage of H. Con. Res. 326.*

S. Res. 20, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 26, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 27, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Finance. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 28, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 29, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 30, to authorize expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 33, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Appropriations. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 34, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 35, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 37, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Relations. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 38, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 40, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Small Business. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 41, to authorize expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 42, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 43, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 44, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on the Budget. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 45, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 46, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Indian Affairs. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 54.*

S. Res. 61, to authorize expenditures by the Committee on Governmental Affairs to conduct a special investigation of Federal election campaign fundraising and expenditures practices. *Obviated by the reporting of S. Res. 39.*

S. Res. 71, to ensure that the Senate is in compliance with the Congressional Accountability Act with respect to permitting a disabled individual access to the Senate floor when that access is required to allow the disabled individual to discharge his or her official duties. *Obviated by passage of S. Res. 110.*

S. Res. 72, to allow disabled persons or Senate employees seeking access to the Senate floor the ability to bring what supporting services are necessary for them to execute their official duties. *Obviated by passage of S. Res. 110.*

S. Res. 288, authorizing the printing of the Report of the Task Force on Economic Sanctions. *Obviated by the passage of S. Res. 289.*

COMMITTEE MEETING AND HEARINGS

Jan. 28, 1997—To receive testimony and vote on the nomination of Alan M. Hantman to be Architect of the Capitol for a term of 10 years; to adopt Rules of Procedures for the Committee and select members for the Joint Committee on Printing and the Library.

Jan. 30, 1997—To receive testimony on the budget authorization request of the Federal Election Commission for FY98 and on proposals to reform the financing of Federal elections.

Feb. 4, 5, and 6, 1997—To receive testimony from chairmen and ranking members of committees on their committee funding resolutions for 1997 and 1998.

Mar. 5, 1997—To review the operations of the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, the Architect of the Capitol, and the National Gallery of Art.

Mar. 6, 1997—To consider the additional committee funding request of the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Mar. 12, 1997—To review the operations of the Smithsonian Institution, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Mar. 20, 1997—To review the operations of the Congressional Research Service and the Library of Congress.

Apr. 10, 1997—To receive and consider the report of outside counsel regarding the petition relating to the election in Louisiana.

Apr. 15, 1997—To hear oral argument from the Petitioner, accompanied by counsel, and counsels for the junior Senator from Louisiana, regarding the petition relating to the election in Louisiana.

Apr. 17, 1997—To consider the Committee's course of action regarding a petition filed in connection with a contested U.S. Senate election held in Louisiana in November, 1996.

Apr. 24, May 8, and 22, 1997—To consider revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code.

May 14, 1997—To examine the campaign finance system for Presidential elections, focusing on the growth of "soft" money and other effects on political parties and candidates.

June 25, 1997—To examine campaign finance issues, focusing on whether certain types of political contributions are voluntary.

July 9, 1997—To receive a briefing on the status of the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election in Louisiana (closed session).

July 31, 1997—To consider continuing the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election in Louisiana under revised committee rules.

Aug. 13, 14, 26 and 27, 1997—Investigative sessions held in New Orleans, LA (closed sessions).

Sept. 18, 1997—To receive testimony on the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election in Louisiana (closed session).

Sept. 25, 1997—To receive testimony on issues affecting Capitol security.

Oct. 1, 1997—To vote on termination of the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election in Louisiana.

Oct. 30, 1997—To receive testimony on Strategic Planning for the Senate.

Nov. 5, 1997—To consider the use of laptop computers on the Senate floor; the release of certain documents and reimbursement of expenses related to the contested U.S. Senate election in Louisiana.

Feb. 25, 1998—To receive testimony on the operations of the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, and the Architect of the Capitol.

Feb. 27, 1998—To receive testimony on the operations of the Government Printing Office, the National Gallery of Art, and the Congressional Research Service.

Mar. 4, 1998—To receive testimony on a proposal to make certain information available through the CRS web site; on the FY99 budget request of the Library of Congress; and, on reauthorization of the American Folklife Center.

Mar. 19, 1998—To receive testimony on the operations of the Smithsonian Institution, the Kennedy Center, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Mar. 25, 1998—To receive testimony on the budget authorization request of the Federal Election Commission for FY99.

July 21, 1998—To receive testimony on the nominations to the Federal Election Commission of Scott E. Thomas, of the District of Columbia; David M. Mason, of Virginia; Darryl R. Wold, of California; and, Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington.

July 22, 1998—To consider nominations to the Federal Election Commission.

July 29; Sept. 16, 1998—To receive testimony on the Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Act of 1998, S. 2288.

Sept. 10, 28, 1998—To mark up S. 2288, the Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Act of 1998.

Sept. 16, 1998—To receive testimony from the Architect of the Capitol on plans to renovate the Dirksen Senate Office Building and the Capitol Dome.

Sept. 24, 25; Oct. 1, 1998—To receive testimony on Capitol security issues (closed session).

CREDENTIALS OF MEMBERS

On December 5, 1996, a communication was received from a citizen of the State of Louisiana, Louis “Woody” Jenkins, concerning the seating of a citizen from the State of Louisiana, Mary L. Landrieu. The Committee took the following action:

December 18, 1996—Committee on Rules and Administration obtained the services of outside counsel to advise in its proceedings regarding this petition.

April 10, 1997—Committee met to receive and consider the report of outside counsel. Those testifying were Robert F. Bauer of Perkins Coie and William B. Canfield III, of Williams & Jensen, P.C.

April 15, 1997—Committee met to hear oral argument from the petitioner, Mr. Jenkins, accompanied by counsel Mark K. Siefert,

and counsels for Senator Landrieu, G. Anthony Gelderman III, and Scott R. Bickford.

April 17, 1997—Committee authorized an investigation into alleged illegal and improper activities affecting the outcome of a U.S. Senate election in Louisiana.

July 9, 1997—Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing from staff on the status of the investigation.

July 31, 1997—Business meeting held wherein the Committee agreed to the Chairman's motion to continue the investigation under revised committee rules.

Aug. 13, 14, 26 and 27, 1997—Committee held closed investigative sessions in New Orleans, LA.

Sept. 18, 1997—Committee met in closed session to receive testimony from witnesses related to the Belle of Orleans, Harrah's Jazz Company, and the Queen of New Orleans at the Hilton Joint Venture.

Oct. 1, 1997—Committee voted unanimously to terminate the investigation.

Nov. 5, 1997—Committee rejected a request for release of certain documents, and a request for reimbursement of expenses incurred as a result of the investigation.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS HEARINGS

During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee held the following hearings to examine the campaign finance system:

May 14, 1997—Hearings held to examine the campaign finance system for Presidential elections, focusing on the growth of "soft" money and other effects on political parties and candidates. Testimony was received from Lamar Alexander; Eugene J. McCarthy; Larry Sabato, Professor of Government and Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia; and, Bradley A. Smith, Adjunct Scholar, The Cato Institute.

June 25, 1997—Hearings held to examine campaign finance issues, focusing on whether certain types of political contributions are voluntary. Testimony was received from Senator Don Nickles; David Stewart of Owasso, OK; Senator Paul Wellstone; Bob Williams, President, Evergreen Freedom Foundation; Cindy Omlin of Mead, WA; Victoria L. Bor, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; James B. Coppess, Communications Workers of America; and, Raymond J. LaJeunesse, National Right to Work Foundation.

OVERSIGHT OF THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

In the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee held the following hearings to receive testimony on revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code, and S. 2288, the Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Reform Act of 1998.

April 24, 1997—Testimony was received from Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; George E. Lord, Chairman, Joint Council of Unions, GPO; William J. Boorman, President, Printing, Publishing and Media Workers Sector of Communications Workers of America; and, Royce C. Lamberth, U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.

May 8, 1997—Testimony was received from Sally Katzen, Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; Richard Shiffrin, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Francis J. Buckley, Director, Shaker Heights Public Library; Ben Cooper, Vice President, Printing Industries of America; and, Ronald G. Dunn, President, Information Industries Association.

May 22, 1997—Testimony was received from Henry J. Gioia, Senior Management Analyst, Department of Defense; Gary R. Bachula, Deputy Under Secretary for Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; Governor John W. Carlin, Archivist of the United States; and, Joan K. Lippincott, Interim Executive Director, Coalition for Networked Information.

July 29, 1998—Testimony was received from Barbara J. Ford, representing the American Library Association; Daniel P. O'Mahony representing the Inter-Association Working Group on Government Information Policy; Robert L. Oakley, representing the American Association of Law Libraries; Benjamin Y. Cooper, Senior Vice President, Printing Industries of America, Inc.; Daniel C. Duncan, Senior Vice President, Information Industry Association; Patrice McDermott, Information Policy Analyst, OMB Watch; Michael DiMario, Public Printer, GPO; William Boarman, Vice President, Communications Workers of America; and George E. Lord, Chairman Joint Council of GPO Unions.

Sept. 16, 1998—Testimony was received from J. Michael Farren, representing the Information Technology Industry Council; Leonard Pomata, representing the Professional Services Council; and William Gindlesperger, President, ABC Advisors, Inc.

FRANKED MAIL

During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee adopted one revision to the Regulations Governing Official Mail for FY99. A clarification was made to the regulations regarding town meeting notices.

Effective October 1, 1998, town meeting notices, in excess of 500 notices per town, may not be sent fewer than 60 days immediately before the date of any primary or general election (whether regular, special or runoff) for any Federal, state or local office for which a Member of the Senate is a candidate for election unless the Senator's candidacy is uncontested.

ADVANCE PAYMENT

During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee adopted one revision to the Regulations Governing Advance Payment.

Added to the list of items approved for advance payment is state office rents. These may now be paid up to one year in advance.

TRAVEL REGULATIONS

During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee approved several changes to the travel regulations which were clarifying and technical in nature. Key among these changes was allowing the calculation of mileage for the purpose of incurring per diem to be done by highway miles, rather than a radius; and, allowing round trip

travel to begin and end in either the duty station or residence, whichever is more advantageous to the Senate.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SUBSIDY REGULATIONS

Committee regulations implementing the Tax Reform Act of 1986 authorized \$21 per month as a tax free “de minimis fringe benefit” for employees using public transportation. During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee increased the benefit to \$40 which approximates the average subsidy given by Federal agencies within the District of Columbia metropolitan area.

REGULATION FOR DISPLAY OF FLAGS IN HALLWAYS

Regulations permit only one flag, either the United States or an individual state flag to be flown outside a member’s office. During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee amended the regulation to permit the flying of both the United States and individual state flags outside a member’s office.

AMENDMENT TO RULES FOR REGULATION OF THE SENATE WING OF THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL

During the 105th Congress, the Rules Committee amended Rule X in the Rules for Regulation of the Senate Wing of the United States to also include Senate Office Buildings. The change adopted prohibits smoking in all public places and unassigned space within the Senate Wing of the Capitol and each of the Senate Office Buildings. Senators, Chairmen of Committees in consultation with their Ranking Members, the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms, Architect of the Capitol, the Chaplain, and heads of support organizations assigned space may each establish smoking policies for all office space assigned to them.

PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

The Rules Committee, in consultation with the Sergeant at Arms, the Secretary of the Senate, Senate Legal Counsel, the Senate Ethics Committee and the Senate Counsel for Employment, did an extensive review of the Senate Procurement Regulations adopted by the Committee in 1983. Those regulations were updated to streamline the contracting process while still providing for healthy competition and appropriate protest and contract dispute procedures to ensure fairness in Senate procurement actions.

COMMITTEE PUBLICATIONS/ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLICATIONS

Authority and Rules of Senate Committees, 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Doc. 105–4.

Legislative Calendar of the Committee on Rules and Administration, Final Calendar, 104th Congress, 2nd session, published 1997, S. Prt. 104–80.

Review of Legislative Activity During the 104th Congress, 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Rept. 105–14.

United States Senate (information brochure and seating chart), 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Pub. 105–8.

Senate Election Law Guidebook, 1998, 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Doc. 105–12.

Authority and Rules of Senate Special Investigatory Committees and Other Senate Entities, 1973–97, 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Doc. 105–16.

Printing Pictures of Missing Children on Senate Mail, 105th Congress, 1st session, 1997, S. Rept. 105–34.

LEGISLATIVE PUBLICATIONS

Title 44, U.S. Code—Proposals for Revision, 105th Congress, 1st session, S. Hrg. 105–139.

Biennial Committee Funding Resolution, S. Res. 54, 105th Congress, 1st session, S. Rept. 105–9.

Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Reform Act of 1998, S. 2288, 105th Congress, 2nd session, (to be printed).

Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Reform Act of 1998, S. 2288, 105th Congress, 2nd session, S. Rept. 105–413.

