



Legislative Support: Useful Telephone Numbers and Internet Addresses

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Summary

This report, one of a series of reports on the legislative process, provides a brief list of telephone numbers, room numbers, and Internet addresses (where available) of use to congressional staffers that work with legislative procedures and conduct research. Internet access restrictions are noted. Some of the websites listed are available only to congressional offices; other sites are restricted further and are only available to House or Senate offices. This report is intended for congressional use only and will be updated annually.

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Legislative Support Agencies and Offices

Congressional Research Service

Library of Congress, Madison Building, LM205
La Follette Congressional Reading Room, LM202
Main number to place requests: (202) 707-5700
Hotline for “ready reference” questions: (202) 707-7100
Congressional offices only: <http://www.crs.gov>

For research and analysis on any topic.

Clerk of the House/House Legislative Resource Center

B106 Cannon House Office Building
(202) 225-7000
To order publications: (202) 226-5200 or e-mail hdocs@mail.house.gov
<http://clerk.house.gov>
House offices only: <http://extranet.clerk.house.gov>

For current and historic House documents, directories, archival assistance, payroll and financial disclosure reports, and lobbyist registrations. The House Legislative Resource Center includes the House Library, which preserves House documents and provides legislative history assistance to offices.

Note: Documents are ordered through the Legislative Resource Center. However, the documents collection is located in the House Documents Room, B25 Ford House Office Building.

Congressional Budget Office

H2-410 Ford House Office Building
(202) 226-2800
To order publications: (202) 226-2809 or e-mail publications@cbo.gov
<http://www.cbo.gov>

For budget projections, budget information, and cost estimates for bills reported out of committee.

Government Accountability Office

441 G Street, NW
(202) 512-4400
To order publications: (202) 512-6000
<http://www.gao.gov>
<http://twitter.com/USGAO>
House offices only: <http://watchdog.house.gov>
Senate offices only: <http://watchdog.senate.gov>

Investigative arm of Congress; supports congressional oversight by reporting on federal government programs, investigating allegations of improper agency activities, and adjudicating government contract disputes.

House Technology Call Center

H2-694 Ford House Office Building

(202) 225-6002 or (800) 447-8737

House offices only: <http://housenet.house.gov> (choose the “Technology” tab for support and to identify your office’s Technical Support Representative, or TSR)

For technical assistance with, and training on, office computers and wireless devices, websites, software, and databases.

House Legislative Counsel

136 Cannon House Office Building

(202) 225-6060

<http://www.house.gov/legcoun>

House offices only: <http://legcoun.house.gov/members/>

For assistance with legislative drafting and preparation of conference reports.

House Parliamentarian

H209 Capitol

(202) 225-7373

No website.

For assistance with legislative rules, precedents, and practices.

Law Library of Congress

Law Library Reading Room, LM201

Library of Congress

(202) 707-5079

Congressional offices only: (202) 707-2700

<http://www.loc.gov/law>

<http://twitter.com/lawlibcongress>

Congressional offices only: <http://www.loc.gov/law/congress>

For legal research and reference; offers special services to congressional offices.

National Archives and Records Administration

700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

(202) 357-5100

Congressional offices only: <http://www.archives.gov/congress>

Listings of newly enacted laws and law numbers: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/current.html>

Office of the Federal Register and to speak with someone for information about newly assigned public law numbers: (202) 741-6040.

Public Law Update Service, a recorded message listing newly assigned public law numbers: (202) 741-6043.

PUBLAWS-L, an email list about newly enacted laws. To sign up: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/updates.html>.

Office of Management and Budget

725 17th Street, NW (New Executive Office Building)
(202) 395-4790
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB>

For federal budget information.

Secretary of the Senate

S312 Capitol
(202) 224-3622
To order publications: (202) 224-1356
Senate offices only: <http://webster.senate.gov/secretary>

For current and historic Senate documents, directories, payroll and financial disclosure reports, archival assistance, and lobbyist registrations.

Note: The Senate Document Room is located at B04 Hart Senate Office Building and can be reached at (202) 224-7701.

Senate IT/Computer Support Services

2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE (Postal Square Building, 6th Floor)
(202) 228-4357
Senate offices only: http://webster.senate.gov/customersupport/information_technology

Provides technical assistance with, and training on, office computers and wireless devices, websites, software, and databases.

Senate Legislative Counsel

668 Dirksen Senate Office Building
(202) 224-6461
<http://slc.senate.gov>
Senate offices only: <http://webster.senate.gov/other/solc>

For assistance with legislative drafting and preparation of conference reports.

Senate Library

B15 Russell Senate Office Building
(202) 224-7106 or e-mail reference@sec.senate.gov
Senate offices only: <http://webster.senate.gov/secretary/library>

Provides reference assistance for Senate offices, including assistance in searching the Legislative Information System (LIS); has most complete collection of Senate publications.

Senate Parliamentarian

S133 Capitol
(202) 224-6128
Senate offices only: <http://webster.senate.gov/secretary/departments/Parliamentarian>

For assistance with legislative rules, precedents, and practices.

White House Executive Clerk's Office

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
(202) 456-2226 (a recording)
No website.

To find out if the President has received, signed, or vetoed recent legislation.

Additional Websites

GPO Access & FDsys Websites

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov>

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys>

<http://twitter.com/USGPO>

For congressional and executive branch documents, such as the *Federal Register* and the *U.S. Government Manual*.

Note: The information in GPO Access is in the process of being migrated to the Federal Digital System (FDsys). GPO Access will maintain all documents until the transfer is complete.

House of Representatives Website

<http://www.house.gov>

House offices only (HouseNet): <http://housenet.house.gov>

Websites of Representatives, leadership offices and organizations, committees, and support offices.

Legislative Information System (LIS) Website

Congressional offices only: <http://www.congress.gov>

To register for Twitter feed, go to <http://www.congress.gov/help/twitter.html>

For legislation, floor votes, schedules, the *Congressional Record*, and committee publications.

Senate Website

<http://www.senate.gov>

Senate offices only (Webster): <http://webster.senate.gov>

Websites of Senators, leadership offices and organizations, committees, and support offices.

THOMAS Website

<http://thomas.loc.gov>; public version of LIS

<http://twitter.com/thomasdotgov>

For legislation, floor votes, the *Congressional Record*, and committee publications.

White House Website

<http://www.whitehouse.gov>

<http://twitter.com/whitehouse>

For White House documents, such as executive orders and presidential proclamations.

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