

# Resolutions of Inquiry: An Analysis of Their Use in the House, 1947-2011

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# Summary

A resolution of inquiry is a simple resolution making a direct request or demand of the President or the head of an executive department to furnish the House with specific factual information in the Administration's possession. Under the rules and precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives, such resolutions, if properly drafted, are given a privileged parliamentary status. This means that, under certain circumstances, a resolution of inquiry can be brought up on the House floor even if the committee to which it was referred has not reported it and the majority party leadership has not scheduled it for consideration.

Between 1947 and 2011, 290 resolutions of inquiry were introduced in the House of Representatives. Two periods in particular, 1971-1975 and 2003-2006, saw the highest levels of activity on resolutions of inquiry during the 64 years studied.

Although nearly every standing House committee has been referred at least one resolution of inquiry during the post-World War II period, the Committees on Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, and the Judiciary have received the largest share of references because the most commonly sought information has related to defense, foreign relations, and intelligence. Most resolutions of inquiry are directed to the President himself, but other executive branch officials have been the subject of such information requests as well.

Just under half of the resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011 were reported by the committee to which they were referred, in most cases, adversely, indicating that the committee opposed the resolution. This opposition might be because the resolution had been made moot by the executive branch complying in whole or in part with the request, or because such a request would, in the view of the committee, compromise an ongoing investigation, endanger sensitive information, or seek already-available information. Less than a quarter of the resolutions of inquiry introduced during the period studied reached the House floor, the last one in 1995.

Although Representatives of both political parties have utilized resolutions of inquiry, in recent Congresses, such resolutions have overwhelmingly become a tool of the minority party in the House. This development has led some to question whether resolutions of inquiry are being "misused" for partisan gain or are unduly increasing the workload of certain House committees. Others have attributed the increase to a frustration among minority party Members with their inability to readily obtain information from the executive branch.

Available data suggest that approximately 30% of the time, a resolution of inquiry has resulted in the production of information to the House. In the majority of cases, however, it is simply unknown, unclear, or in dispute whether the resolution of inquiry produced any of the requested information, a fact which might suggest the need for additional investigation of the efficacy of this parliamentary oversight tool by policymakers.

This report will be updated as events warrant.

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## **Resolutions of Inquiry Generally**

A resolution of inquiry is a measure that formally calls on the executive branch to provide specified factual information to Congress. The use of resolutions of this type as a tool of executive oversight stems from the earliest days of Congress.<sup>1</sup> Although resolutions of inquiry have occasionally been used in the Senate, they are far more common in the House of Representatives, and this report examines their use only in that chamber between 1947 and the present.<sup>2</sup>

House resolutions of inquiry are simple resolutions (designated "H.Res."), which are introduced in the same manner as other legislation.<sup>3</sup> Under chamber rules and precedents, however, resolutions of inquiry, if properly drafted and under specified circumstances, are afforded a privileged parliamentary status.<sup>4</sup> Clause 7 of House Rule XIII makes a resolution of inquiry privileged for consideration at any time after it is reported or discharged from committee, consistent with the normal three-day layover period required of committee reports.<sup>5</sup>

If a resolution of inquiry is not reported to the House within 14 legislative days after its introduction (not counting the days of introduction and discharge), a motion to discharge a committee from its further consideration can be made on the House floor. Should the committee or committees of referral report (or be discharged under a time limit imposed by the Speaker) within the 14-day period, however, only a Member acting at the direction of the committee may move to proceed to its consideration on the floor.<sup>6</sup> Thus, even when a House committee opposes a resolution of inquiry, the committee will frequently mark it up and report it, perhaps adversely, to retain control over the measure and prevent a supporter from making the privileged motions on the House floor to discharge or call up the legislation.

To retain the privileged parliamentary status described above, resolutions of inquiry may not contain a preamble and must call only for facts within the executive branch's control. Such resolutions may not seek opinions or investigations and are traditionally framed as "requesting" the President or "directing" the head of a Cabinet-level agency to respond. As is the case with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For more information on resolutions of inquiry, see CRS Report RL31909, *House Resolutions of Inquiry*, by (name redacted). Also: U.S. Congress, House, *Constitution, Jefferson's Manual, and Rules of the House of Representatives*, H.Doc. 110-162, 110<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2<sup>nd</sup> sess. (Washington: GPO, 2009), §864, pp. 649-651.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 1947 was chosen as year to begin this examination because it is the first year in which most provisions of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (P.L. 79-753, 60 stat. 812) became effective, a milestone which is widely viewed as the beginning of the "modern" U.S. Congress.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Members have occasionally called on the Executive Branch to provide information to the House and Senate in an inquiry framed as a concurrent, rather than simple, resolution. In modern practice, however, resolutions of inquiry are simple resolutions introduced, and acted upon, in one chamber. See Asher C. Hinds, *Hinds' Precedents of the House of Representatives of the United States* (Washington: GPO, 1907), vol. 3, §1875.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> House rules and precedents place certain types of legislation in a special "privileged" category which gives measures of this kind the ability to be called up for consideration when the House is not considering another matter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> House Rule XIII, clause 4. For more information on House layover requirements, see CRS Report RS22015, *Availability of Legislative Measures in the House of Representatives (The "Three-Day Rule")*, by (name redacted).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In cases of multiple referral, all committees must report or be discharged before a resolution of inquiry may be considered on the floor. For a discussion of who may call up a multiply referred resolution of inquiry, see William Holmes Brown and Charles W. Johnson, *House Practice, A Guide to the Rules, Precedents and Procedures of the House* (Washington: GPO, 2003), ch. 49, §5, p. 820.

other types of privileged business, committee reports accompanying resolutions of inquiry are presented from the floor, rather than through the hopper.

If the House chooses to consider a resolution of inquiry, it is considered under the Hour Rule. When raised, such resolutions may be agreed to, rejected, or tabled by majority vote. In fact, it has been common historically for the majority party Member managing a resolution of inquiry on the House floor to quickly move to table it, either because he or she opposes its provisions, or because the request has been rendered moot by the executive branch having provided some or all of the requested information.

Finally, as simple resolutions, resolutions of inquiry have no legal force. Thus, compliance by the executive branch with the House's request for factual information in such a resolution is voluntary, resting largely on a sense of comity between co-equal branches of government and a recognition of the necessity for Congress to be well-informed as it legislates. Executive branch compliance with resolutions of inquiry might also be indirectly influenced by a general respect for congressional legislative and oversight power, including Congress's power to appropriate or withhold money for an agency's budget.

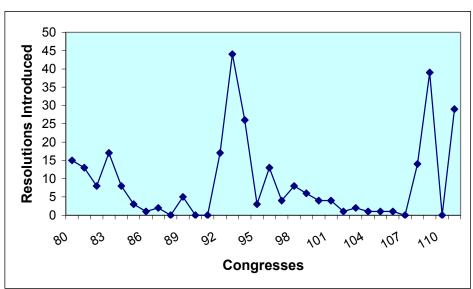
### Use of Resolutions of Inquiry: 1947-2011

#### Some Congresses Show High Levels of Activity

The Congressional Research Service has identified 290 resolutions of inquiry introduced in the House between 1947 and 2011—an average of 9 per Congress. These statistics are represented in **Table 1** and the resolutions are described in detail in **Table 7** of this report.

The number of resolutions of inquiry introduced in individual Congresses over this 64-year period varies widely. Two distinct periods, however (as shown in **Figure 1**), saw a number of resolutions of inquiry introduced in the House that far exceeded the overall average: the 92<sup>nd</sup>-94<sup>th</sup> Congresses (1971-1976), during which a total of 87 resolutions of inquiry were introduced, and the 108<sup>th</sup> and 109<sup>th</sup> Congresses (2003-2006), during which 53 resolutions were authored. The number of resolutions of inquiry introduced in these five Congresses alone account for nearly half of all such measures introduced during the 64-year period examined.

Figure 1. Resolutions of Inquiry Introduced in the House of Representatives



**Source:** CRS analysis of data from the Legislative Information System of the U.S. Congress (LIS) and relevant issues of the *Journal of the House of Representatives*.

Notes: As of March 16, 2011.

As both **Table 1** and **Figure 1** indicate, recent activity on resolutions of inquiry in the House is high from a historic perspective. The number of House resolutions of inquiry introduced in the 108<sup>th</sup> (2003-2004) and 109<sup>th</sup> (2005-2006) Congresses reflected a sharp increase in the number introduced over the decade preceding them. In each Congress between the 102<sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992) and 107<sup>th</sup> (2001-2002) Congresses, an average of one resolution of inquiry was introduced. In the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress, 14 such resolutions were introduced, and 39 resolutions of inquiry were introduced in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress. The 53 resolutions of inquiry introduced in these two Congresses exceeded the total number of such resolutions introduced in the previous two decades combined.

During the period studied (1947-2011), the 39 resolutions of inquiry introduced in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress are exceeded only by the 44 resolutions introduced in the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress (1973-1974). But this latter total may be misleadingly high due solely to rules in effect at that time. In the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress, House rules limited the co-sponsorship of measures to a maximum of 25 Representatives.<sup>7</sup> Several of the 44 resolutions of inquiry introduced in the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress were identical resolutions introduced separately in an apparent effort to enable more than 25 Members to cosponsor them. When these "doubles" are taken into account, more resolutions of inquiry were introduced in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress than in any single Congress since World War II. In the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress (2009-2010), 29 resolutions of inquiry were introduced. As of this writing, no resolutions of inquiry have been introduced in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress (2011-2012).

The reason for the sharp increase in the number of such resolutions introduced during some recent Congresses is open to interpretation. Some have charged that instead of using resolutions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> U.S. Congress, House, Constitution, Jefferson's Manual, and Rules of the House of Representatives, §25, p. 612.

of inquiry as an oversight tool to obtain information from the executive branch, in at least some instances, minority party Members have purposely used the privileged status such resolutions enjoy as a way to "force" committees to act on a given subject or get Members to record votes on politically controversial policy questions, in essence, enabling the minority party to "schedule" a committee markup meeting on a subject of its choosing. Those holding this view point to the high number of resolutions introduced during periods when the House and the President are of the same political party as evidence of the political use of resolutions of inquiry.

One committee report stated this view of several resolutions of inquiry referred to the committee seeking information on pre-Iraq war intelligence, saying, "[these] resolutions are politically-calculated attacks on the ... administration."<sup>8</sup> Still another report argued, "the Minority [party] is attempting to use this parliamentary tool for political means. Perhaps most importantly, as a matter of procedure, [the resolution of inquiry] challenges the Majority's prerogatives and its right to set the legislative agenda, and for that reason alone should be rejected."<sup>9</sup> Members holding this viewpoint argue that recent activity on resolutions of inquiry are more about "message politics" than obtaining information.

Other Members have taken an opposite view, arguing that resolutions of inquiry have increased in number recently because the executive branch has frequently responded to information requests from Congress, particularly those made by minority party Members relating to politically sensitive issues, "grudgingly." Such Members argue that the White House has treated letters from lawmakers requesting information "as if they are junk mail, routinely tossing them aside without responding."<sup>10</sup> This executive branch behavior, these Members argue, coupled with what they characterize as an ambivalence by majority parties to the rights of the minority in the House, has led to the increased use of such resolutions. Members holding this view argue that resolutions of inquiry, because they are privileged, are one of the few parliamentary tools to hold the executive branch to account available to individual Members, including the minority party.

#### Most Resolutions Relate to Defense or Foreign Affairs

The most commonly identified subjects of House resolutions of inquiry over the past six decades have been defense, foreign affairs, and intelligence. This may help to explain in part the sharp increases noted above during the 92<sup>nd</sup>-94<sup>th</sup> (1971-1976) and 108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> (2003-2006) Congresses, periods where Members were focused on military conflicts in Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan and on intelligence issues stemming from the so-called global war on terrorism.

As with other legislation introduced in the House, the Speaker, acting through the Parliamentarian, refers resolutions of inquiry to committee based on the subject matter of the measure and the jurisdiction of House committees as codified in clause 1 of Rule X.

With the exception of the Committees on Budget, Rules, and Ethics, every standing committee of the House has, at some time over the 64 years examined, had at least one resolution of inquiry

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> U.S. Congress, House Committee on International Relations, *Report to Accompany H.Res. 549*, 109<sup>th</sup> Cong., 1<sup>st</sup> sess., H.Rept. 109-351 (Washington: GPO, 2005), p. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> U.S. Congress, House Committee on Education and the Workforce, *Adverse Report to Accompany H.Res.* 467, 109<sup>th</sup> Cong., 1<sup>st</sup> sess., H.Rept. 109-258 (Washington: GPO, 2005), p. 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> U.S. Congress, House Committee on the Judiciary, *Adverse Report to Accompany H.Res.* 643, 109<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2<sup>nd</sup> sess., H.Rept. 109-382 (Washington: GPO, 2006), p. 185.

referred to it. However, as is reflected in **Figure 2**, and as may be inferred from the most common subjects of such resolutions mentioned above, three House committees have received the greatest share of referrals: Armed Services, which was referred 72 resolutions of inquiry over this period; Foreign Affairs, with 69; and Judiciary, which received 36. These three panels were the committees of primary referral for 61% of all resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011.

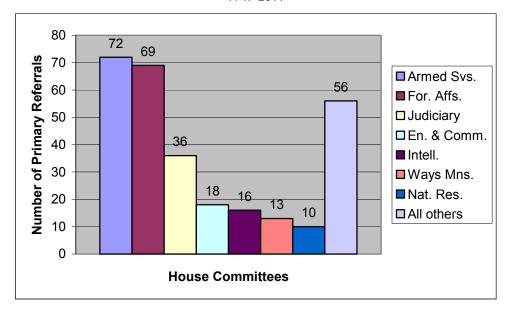


Figure 2. Committees of Primary Referral for Resolutions of Inquiry

**Source:** Legislative Information System of the U.S. Congress (LIS) and relevant issues of the Journal of the United States House of Representatives.

**Notes:** As of March 16, 2011. For purposes of consistency and clarity, committees are identified by their designation in clause 1 of House Rule X as adopted by the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

The multiple referral of legislation has been permitted in the House since 1975, and over the period examined, several resolutions of inquiry were referred to more than one House committee. Note, however, that since 2004, only two resolutions of inquiry have been multiply referred. It is not clear if this is the case because the subject of recent resolutions fell exclusively into the jurisdiction of one committee, because resolution sponsors have introduced separate resolutions directed to different officials (as opposed to one multiply-referred resolution directed to all of them), or because House Speakers, acting through the Parliamentarian, have chosen to avoid the multiple referral of resolutions of inquiry wherever possible.

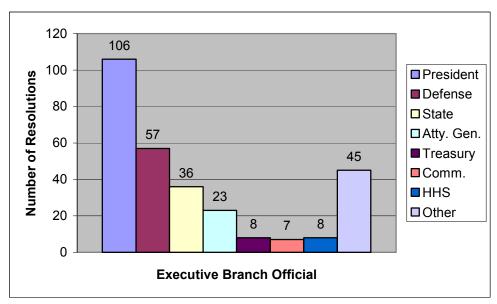
#### Most Resolutions of Inquiry Are Directed to the President

As has been noted, privileged resolutions of inquiry are traditionally directed to the President of the United States, or, under House Rule XIII, to the "head of an executive department." Under long-standing chamber precedents, the "head of an executive department" has been interpreted to

mean the Secretary of a Cabinet-level executive agency, not subordinate government officials.<sup>11</sup> As such, although a resolution of inquiry directed to an officer below the Cabinet level could be introduced, it would not enjoy its privileged status under House rules. The inclusion of lesser officials is viewed as destroying the privilege of an entire resolution, even in cases where a request is also directed to the President or a Cabinet Secretary.

Since 1947, 106 of the 290 resolutions of inquiry introduced in the House (37%) have been directed to the President of the United States; 57 (20%) have been directed to the Secretary of Defense or his predecessor; 36 resolutions (12%) sought information from the Secretary of State; and 23 (8%) from the Attorney General. Various other executive branch officials, including the Secretaries of Commerce, Energy, Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, Labor, and the Treasury have been the target of House resolutions of inquiry. These statistics are represented in **Figure 3**.

Figure 3. Primary Official to Whom House Resolutions of Inquiry Were Directed 1947-2011



**Source:** CRS analysis of data from the Legislative Information System of the U.S. Congress (LIS) and relevant issues of the *Journal of the United States House of Representatives*.

**Notes:** As of March 16, 2011. In cases in which a resolution was addressed to more than one executive branch official, the first listed official was counted.

A small number of resolutions of inquiry introduced during the period examined were directed solely or in part to sub-Cabinet officials, including the Directors of Central Intelligence and National Intelligence, the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the Internal Revenue Service Commissioner. As noted, such resolutions were arguably not privileged for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Asher C. Hinds, Hinds' *Precedents of the House of Representatives of the United States* (Washington: GPO, 1907), vol. 3, §1861, p. 169. The Executive departments are listed in 5 U.S.C. 101.

consideration in the House, and, in at least once instance, the Speaker sustained a point of order to that effect when an effort was made to raise the measure on the chamber floor.<sup>12</sup>

### House Action on Resolutions of Inquiry

#### **Committees Are Acting on More Resolutions of Inquiry**

A committee has a number of choices after a resolution of inquiry is referred to it. It may mark up and report the resolution without amendment, or it may amend it. It may report the resolution to the House favorably, adversely, or without recommendation. It may also take no action; however, as has been noted, in failing to act, it risks a Member making a privileged motion on the House floor to discharge the committee of the legislation.

Fewer than half of the resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011 were acted on by the primary House committee of referral. Approximately 49% (142 of 290) of the resolutions of inquiry introduced were actively considered at the committee level. As is discussed below in more detail, the fact that a resolution was not acted on does not necessarily mean, however, that its sponsor did not receive some of the requested information from the executive branch or achieve some other goal.

As is reflected in **Table 2**, during the period examined, committees which chose to mark up a resolution of inquiry and report it to the House chose frequently (73%) to report the resolution "adversely," a parliamentary designation which means that the committee did not recommend that the House agree to the resolution. In a smaller percentage of cases during the time period examined, House committees have chosen to report resolutions of inquiry favorably (13%) or without recommendation (15%). On occasion, such resolutions have been amended by the committee before being reported, sometimes adopting a full substitute.

No generalizations can be made about adverse reports on a resolution of inquiry. A House committee may choose to report a resolution adversely because they oppose it, and, as has been noted, because by doing so they ensure that no Member except a designee of the committee may call the resolution up on the floor. In several instances over the period examined, however, an adverse report was clearly made because the executive branch had produced some or all of the requested information, and the committee did not want the House to waste its time on a moot question. It has also been common for committees to report adversely with the rationale that production of the information would compromise an ongoing investigation or because, in the view of the committee, the requested information was too sensitive to be provided or, conversely, was already widely available, and thus, not the proper subject of a privileged resolution.

The data examined show that since the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress (2003-2004), committees have almost universally marked up every properly drafted resolution of inquiry referred to them regardless of its subject, sponsor, or how the committee felt about the resolution. This was not the case in earlier Congresses during the 64-year period studied. This may suggest that committees are acting on resolutions of inquiry at least in part to retain control of the resolution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Deschler's Precedents of the United States House of Representatives, H. Doc. 94-661, 94<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2<sup>nd</sup> sess., vol. 4, ch. 15, §2.1.

The fact that more resolutions of inquiry are being introduced, and House committees are marking up virtually every such resolution referred to them, has led some to question whether resolutions of inquiry are creating an undue workload burden for House committees. Those holding such a view argue that if committees feel they "have to" mark up a resolution of inquiry because it is privileged, the potential exists for minority party Members to "flood" a committee with such resolutions and seize control over a committee's markup agenda from the majority.

Those holding this view note that certain House committees are disproportionately affected by such resolutions, and they argue that using resolutions of inquiry in this way is not the purpose such measures were created or given privileged status under chamber rules. They note, for example, that in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress (2005-2006), 45% (10 out of 22) of the reports made to the House by the Committee on International Relations (now designated Foreign Affairs) were on minority-party sponsored resolutions of inquiry.<sup>13</sup> During the same period, 21% (3 out of 14) of the reports made to the House by the Committee on Armed Services were on minority-party sponsored resolutions of inquiry.<sup>14</sup>

Members holding the opposite view argue that although resolutions of inquiry may have increased in number in recent years, they still represent a small fraction of the overall legislative workload and are easily managed by the chamber's committee system. They further argue that such resolutions actually aid the House, by compelling its committees to seek information from the executive branch that Members need to legislate effectively. Those holding this view might argue that resolutions of inquiry motivate committees to focus on their central role in the oversight process.

#### Few Resolutions of Inquiry Reach the House Floor

As is reflected in **Table 3**, House floor consideration of resolutions of inquiry during the 64-year period examined was generally rare, and in recent Congresses, non-existent. In the last 26 years, only two resolutions of inquiry have received action on the House floor.

Between 1947 and 2011, 64 resolutions of inquiry have been considered on the House floor, under a quarter (22%) of those introduced, and approximately half of those reported by the chamber's committees. Of the resolutions receiving floor action, 52 (81%) were laid on the table by majority vote, effectively killing them. Just 11 resolutions of inquiry have been agreed to by the House since 1947, the most recent occurring in the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress (1995-1996). It is worth reiterating that the tabling of a resolution on the House floor may have been undertaken because the question had been made moot by the executive branch being in substantial compliance with the resolution. For example, in a handful of instances during the period examined, it was the sponsor of the resolution of inquiry who moved to lay the resolution on the table, apparently satisfied it had produced the desired result.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See U.S. Congress, House Committee on International Relations, *Legislative Review Activities*, 109<sup>th</sup> Cong., 2<sup>nd</sup> sess., H.Rept. 109-747 (Washington: GPO, 2007), pp. 27-28.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Legislative Information System of the U.S. Congress (LIS).

#### **Resolutions of Inquiry Are Increasingly A Minority Party Tool**

Resolutions of inquiry are sometimes assumed to be an oversight tool that is used disproportionately, or even exclusively, by congressional minorities. This view is, in a sense, understandable. The majority party in the House arguably has far more effective oversight tools at its disposal: namely committee hearings, subpoenas, and the ability to pass legislation.

An examination of resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011, however, reveals a far more bipartisan overall picture than this view might suggest. Over the 64 years examined, the party affiliation of resolution of inquiry sponsors is fairly evenly divided. Of the 290 resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011, 124 were introduced by Members of the congressional majority party and 166 by minority party Members.<sup>15</sup> The political affiliation of resolutions of inquiry sponsors versus that of the President is more divided. Of the 290 resolutions of inquiry introduced in the House between 1947 and 2011, 217 (75%) were introduced by Members of Congress belonging to the opposite political party of the President.

If, on the other hand, one examines only recent Congresses, the statistical picture is much starker and supports the view that resolutions of inquiry have become almost exclusively a minority party tool. In recent years, the sponsorship of resolutions of inquiry has become far more partisan, and more lopsided in party division than at any time during the six decades studied. In the last 10 years, only one of the 82 resolutions of inquiry introduced was authored by a majority party Member of Congress having the same political party as the President. The balance have been introduced by minority party Members and directed at Presidents of the opposite party.

#### Effectiveness of Resolutions of Inquiry is Unclear

Because resolutions of inquiry are primarily intended to be an information-gathering tool, one question is whether available evidence suggests such resolutions have been successful in producing information from the executive branch.

The data in **Table 6** and in **Figure 3** are gleaned from an examination of legislative history documents, such as committee reports and floor debate, accompanying resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011. Based on these documents and the measures themselves, resolutions of inquiry were divided into three categories: (1) Yes, evidence suggests the resolution did produce full or partial information from the executive branch; (2) No, the evidence suggests that no information was received from the executive branch in response to the resolution; or (3) Whether information was produced is unknown, unclear, or in dispute.

In the case of 52% of the resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011, whether the resolution resulted in the production of information was unknown, unclear, or in dispute based on an examination of the legislative history. Thirty percent of the resolutions of inquiry introduced over the period studied appear to have resulted in the production of some or all of the information requested of the executive branch. Seventeen percent of the resolutions authored during the period appear to have failed to produce any requested information. When a similar examination is limited to the most recent period of high resolution of inquiry activity noted above, 2003-2006,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Two resolutions of inquiry introduced over the period were sponsored by Members with a political affiliation other than Democratic or Republican. For purposes of this analysis, both sponsors were grouped with the Democratic Party, which is the party they voluntarily affiliated with for purposes of House committee assignment.

the effectiveness of such resolutions in producing information from the executive branch is far less. During these years, such resolutions failed to produce information 64% of the time and succeeded in only 19% of cases.

As these statistics suggest, making determinations about the "success" of resolutions of inquiry can be difficult. As has been noted, more than half of the resolutions of inquiry introduced between 1947 and 2011 were never marked up by House committee or considered on the chamber floor. In such cases there are no legislative history documents to examine to find clues as to whether the Member's information request was answered or ignored. It is easy to imagine that, in at least some of these instances, information must have been obtained. This supposition seems particularly likely in cases of resolutions introduced in the early years studied, where requests were commonly made for routine, non-controversial data, such as labor statistics or documents about the government's use of railroad cars. It seems reasonable to suppose that such resolutions' sponsors never tried to call the measures up on the floor precisely because their request had been satisfied; in such a scenario, inaction on a resolution would be an indication of its success. But that is only a supposition. Likewise, the very introduction of a resolution of inquiry might encourage an executive department to hand over information, but it may not be immediately apparent that the resolution was the motivating factor.

Although the established purpose of resolutions of inquiry is to be a tool for producing factual information, that may not be the only goal a Member has when authoring such legislation. Calling attention to an issue; seizing a committee's agenda from the majority party; forcing other legislative action, such as a hearing; getting Members on the record with difficult policy votes; or simply demonstrating interest in a particular subject area, may all be possible goals for introducing a resolution of inquiry. As has been noted above, in recent Congresses, some have argued that the increase in resolutions of inquiry introduced is precisely because the resolutions are being used for goals such as these, rather than as a purely information-gathering mechanism.

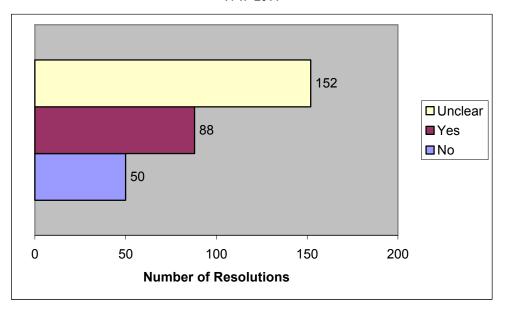


Figure 4. Have House Resolutions of Inquiry Produced Information?

**Source:** CRS analysis of data from the Legislative Information System of the U.S. Congress (LIS) and relevant issues of the *Journal of the United States House of Representatives*.

**Notes:** Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011. Categories based solely on examination of legislation and related legislative history documents.

### **Conclusion and Questions for Consideration**

An examination of resolutions of inquiry introduced in the House between 1947 and 2011 raises several questions for the potential consideration of policymakers. Overall, the data suggest that resolutions of inquiry have become more common in recent years, have resulted in more work at the committee level, and have increasingly been used by minority party Members in the House.

As noted, the data examined raise the question of whether recent increases in the number of House resolutions of inquiry are affecting the workload of certain chamber committees. If policy makers were to determine that this is the case, and that it merits action, they might examine whether changes in the treatment of such resolutions under House rules and precedents were warranted. The House might respond, for example, by making such resolutions privileged only if a House committee chose to report them favorably. Or they might choose instead to simply extend the time period that committees have to report a privileged resolution of inquiry from the present 14 legislative days, to a longer period of time. A change of this latter type might preserve the traditional use of resolutions of inquiry for all Members and give committees more freedom to choose when they will act on them. It might also discourage resolutions of inquiry from being introduced in an attempt to gain political advantage by highlighting important, but transient, "hot button" political issues.

Perhaps the clearest picture emerging from a systematic examination of resolution of inquiry activity in the post-WWII period, however, relates to the efficacy of such resolutions. Although the data show that in some cases, particularly historically, such resolutions have produced information, over half the time it is simply unclear if resolutions of inquiry result in the production of any information to the House, and if so, to what degree.

The possibility that the standing committees of the House are spending an increased amount of their finite time acting on resolutions whose true efficacy is largely unknown may lead policymakers to try to institute a more rigorous accounting of future resolutions of this type. Lawmakers might do so in a number of ways. Committees, for example, might direct the agencies they oversee to formally catalogue and submit to them what response, if any, they have made to recently introduced resolutions. Committees might be encouraged to report this information to the House in the activities report they are already required to submit to the House each Congress under clause 1(d)(1) of Rule XI or by some other mechanism. Executive branch communications to the House in response to a resolution of inquiry might be designated as such in the *Congressional Record*, or noted in a special category when received by the Clerk of the House, so that the "cause and effect" (or lack thereof) of such resolutions might become clearer. Policymakers might also consider standardizing the procedures House committees use to handle resolutions of inquiry, for example, requiring them to transmit the resolution to the executive branch within a stated timeframe with a letter from the chairman formally requesting executive comment on the resolution.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> In the early years of the period studied, it appeared to be universal practice for a House committee receiving referral of a resolution of inquiry to immediately request executive comment on the resolution. The executive's response to this request was commonly printed in the committee's report to the House on the resolution. In recent Congresses, however, it is not clear from the legislative history documents examined if House committees are still routinely making such (continued...)

Other options exist. The House Committee on Rules, as the panel with jurisdiction over chamber rules, might examine whether resolutions of inquiry, as a privileged mechanism rooted in the earliest days of Congress, continue to be necessary considering advances in information technology, including the development of oversight tools available to Members in recent decades. The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which has special duties under House Rule X to report committee oversight plans to the House along with any recommendations to promote "more effective and coordinated oversight," might also consider examining the use of such resolutions as oversight tools.

Whether policymakers ultimately determined that changes in the use of resolutions of inquiry were warranted or not, such an examination might arguably give all Members of the House a better understanding of their use in the ongoing oversight relationship between the legislative and executive branches of government.

<sup>(...</sup>continued)

requests for formal executive comment on resolutions of inquiry, and if so, to what extent.

Congress and Years	Resolutions of Inquiry Introduced	Resolutions Receiving Committee Action	Resolutions Receiving Floor Action
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	15	10	10
81st (1949-1950)	14	5	5
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	8	5	5
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	17	6	7
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	8	2	l
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	3	0	0
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	I	0	0
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	2	0	0
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	0	0	0
89 <sup>th</sup> (1965-1966)	5	l	I
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	0	0	0
91st (1969-1970)	0	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	17	12	16
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	44	6	8
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	26	2	I
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	3	0	0
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	3	4	6
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	4	2	2
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	8	6	0
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	6	4	0
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	4	3	0
101st (1989-1990)	4	2	0
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	I	I	I
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	2	I	0
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	I	I	I
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	l	0	0
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	l	0	0
107 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2002)	0	0	0
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	4	13	0
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	39	31	0
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	0	0	0
IIIth (2009-2010)	29	25	0
Total	290	142	64

Table 1. House Resolutions of Inquiry and Associated Action, 1947-2011

**Notes:** Table reflects resolutions of inquiry introduced through March 16, 2011.

Congress and Years	Adverse	Favorable	Without Recommendation
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	6	3	l
81st (1949-1950)	4	I	0
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	I	I	3
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	6	0	0
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)		0	
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	0	0	0
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	0	0	0
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	0	0	0
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	0	0	0
89th (1965-1966)	I	0	0
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	0	0	0
91st (1969-1970)	0	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	12	0	0
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	6	0	0
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	2	0	0
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	0	0	0
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	3	I	0
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	I	0	I
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	5	0	I
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	4	0	0
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	2	I	0
101st (1989-1990)	2	0	0
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	0	0	I
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	I	0	0
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	0	I	0
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	0	0	0
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	0	0	0
107 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2002)	0	0	0
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	13	0	0
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	26	0	5
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	0	0	0
III <sup>th</sup> (2009-2010)	7	10	8
Total	103	18	21

Table 2. Form of House Committee Report on Resolutions of Inquiry, 1947-2011

Notes: Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011.

Congress and Years	Tabled	Agreed to
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	6	4
81st (1949-1950)	4	I
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	3	2
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	7	0
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	I	0
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	0	0
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	0	0
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	0	0
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	0	0
89 <sup>th</sup> (1965-1966)	I	0
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	0	0
9 st (1969-1970)	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	14	I
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	8	0
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	0	I
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	0	0
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	4	2
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	2	0
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	0	0
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	I	0
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	0	0
101st (1989-1990)	0	0
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	I	0
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	0	0
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	0	I
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	0	0
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	0	0
107 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2002)	0	0
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	0	0
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	0	0
I I 0 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	0	0
IIIth (2009-2010)	0	0
Total	52	12

 Table 3. House Floor Action on Resolutions of Inquiry, 1947-2011

Notes: Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011.

Congress and Years	Congressional Majority Party	Sponsor Member of Majority Party	Sponsor Member of Minority Party
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	R	15	0
81st (1949-1950)	D	5	9
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	D	0	8
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	R	13	4
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	D	2	6
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	D		2
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	D	0	I
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	D	2	0
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	D	0	0
89th (1965-1966)	D	0	5
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	D	0	0
91st (1969-1970)	D	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	D	9	8
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	D	27	17
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	D	23	3
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	D		2
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	D	5	8
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	D	4	0
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	D	7	I
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	D	5	I
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	D	3	I
101st (1989-1990)	D		3
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	D		0
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	D	0	2
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	R	0	I
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	R	0	I
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	R	0	I
107th (2001-2002)	R	0	0
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	R	0	14
109th (2005-2006)	R	I	38
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	D	0	0
111th (2009-2010)	D	0	29
Total	-	125	165

Table 4. Party Affiliation of Resolution of Inquiry Sponsors vs. Congress, 1947-2011

Notes: Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011. "D" signifies Democratic Party. "R" signifies Republican Party.

Congress and Years	President's Party	Sponsor Party Same As President	Sponsor Party Different Than President
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	D	0	15
81st (1949-1950)	D	45	9
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	D	0	8
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	R	13	4
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	R	6	2
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	R	2	I
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	R	I	0
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	D	2	0
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	D	0	0
89 <sup>th</sup> (1965-1966)	D	0	5
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	D	0	0
91st (1969-1970)	R	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	R	8	9
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	R	17	27
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	R	3	23
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	D	I	2
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	D	5	8
97th (1981-1982)	R	0	4
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	R	I	7
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	R	I	5
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	R	I	3
101st (1989-1990)	R	3	I
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	R	0	I
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	D	0	2
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	D	I	0
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	D	I	0
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	D	I	0
107th (2001-2002)	R	0	0
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	R	0	14
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	R	I	38
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	R	0	0
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2010)	D	0	29
TOTAL	-	73	217

Table 5. Party Affiliation of Resolution of Inquiry Sponsors vs. President, 1947-2011

Notes: Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011. "D" signifies Democratic Party. "R" signifies Republican Party.

Congress and Years	Yes (Even Partial)	No	Unknown, Unclear, or Disputed
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	10	Ι	4
81 <sup>st</sup> (1949-1950)	4	I	9
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	5	0	3
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	8	0	9
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	2	0	6
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	0	0	3
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	0	0	1
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	0	0	2
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	0	0	0
89 <sup>th</sup> (1965-1966)	2	0	3
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	0	0	0
91 <sup>st</sup> (1969-1970)	0	0	0
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	10	4	3
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	8	0	36
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	ļ	I	24
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	0	0	3
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	3	2	8
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	3	0	1
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	5	Ι	2
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	3	I	2
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	2	0	2
101st (1989-1990)	2	0	2
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	l	0	0
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	0	Ι	I
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	l	0	0
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	0	0	1
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	0	0	I
107th (2001-2002)	0	0	0
108th (2003-2004)	6	8	0
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	4	26	9
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	0	0	0
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2010)	8	4	17
TOTAL	88	50	152

 Table 6. Have House Resolutions of Inquiry Produced Requested Information?

 1947-2011

**Notes:** Reflects activity as of March 16, 2011. Categories based on CRS examination of resolutions and related legislative history documents.

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 38	Secretary of War	Materials in the possession of	Armed Services	-
01/06/1947	Secretary of the Navy	the War and Navy Departments suitable for use in relieving the	-	
Rep. Lawrence H. Smith (R-WI)		housing shortage		
H.Res. 80	Secretary of State	Withdrawal of U.S. troops from	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
01/30/1947		China	Reported adversely	02/05/1947
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			02/05/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-16	
H.Res. 254	Secretary of State	Documents, records, and	Judiciary	Laid on the table
06/24/1947		memorandum related to Serge Rubenstein	Reported adversely	07/11/1947
Rep. Ellsworth Buck (R-NY)			07/11/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-886	
H.Res. 255	Attorney General	Documents, records, and	Judiciary	Laid on the table
06/24/1947		memorandum related to Serge Rubenstein	Reported adversely	07/11/1947
Rep. Ellsworth Buck (R-NY)			07/11/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-887	
H.Res. 257	Secretary of the Treasury	Food and meat being shipped	Ways and Means	-
06/26/1947		from Greece and the Mediterranean to the United States	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)				
H.Res. 258	Secretary of State	Food and meat being shipped	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
06/25/1947		from Greece and the Mediterranean to the United	Reported adversely	07/09/1947
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		States	07/09/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-814	

Table 7. Identified Resolutions of Inquiry Introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1947-2011

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 365	Secretary of Defense	Decommissioning of certain	Foreign Affairs	Agreed to
11/24/1947		factories in post-war Germany	Reported favorably (amended)	12/18/1947
Rep. Karl E. Mundt (R-SD)			12/18/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-1225	
H.Res. 366	Secretary of Commerce	Sale of supplies to the Soviet	Interstate and Foreign	Agreed to
11/24/1947		Union by firms and individuals located in the United States	Commerce	12/05/1947
Rep. Karl E. Mundt (R-SD)			Reported favorably (amended)	
			12/05/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-1155	
H.Res. 380	Secretary of Commerce	Amount of coal and oil being sent to Canada and other	Interstate and Foreign Commerce	-
11/28/1947		countries by the United States	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			-	
H.Res. 381	United States Maritime	Information relative to oil: Idle	Merchant Marine and Fisheries	-
11/28/1947	Commission	tankers and why said tankers have not been put into	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		operation		
H.Res. 382	Director of the Office of	Shortage of coal cars used in	Interstate and Foreign	-
/28/1947	Defense Transportation	transportation of coal to New England and whether coal cars	Commerce	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		from Great Lakes terminals may be transferred to New England	-	
H.Res. 383	Secretary of the Navy	Whether full use is being made	Armed Services	Laid on the table
/28/ 947		of oil tankers under the control of the Navy	Reported adversely	12/04/1947
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		,	12/04/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-1154	

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 385			Public Lands	Agreed to
12/02/1947			Reported without recommendation	02/16/1948
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			12/19/1947	
			H.Rept. 80-1231	
H.Res. 511	Secretary of Agriculture	Research on price spreads	Agriculture	Laid on the table
03/24/1948		between the producer and consumer of agricultural	Reported adversely	04/07/1948
Rep. John Z. Anderson (R-CA)		products	04/07/1948	
			H.Rept. 80-1662	
H.Res. 522	Secretary of Commerce	A letter authored by FBI	Interstate and Foreign	Agreed to
04/07/1948		Director, J. Edgar Hoover, relating to Dr. Edward U.	Commerce	04/22/1948
Rep. John P. Thomas (R-NJ)		Condon, Director of the National Bureau of Standards	Reported favorably	
			04/19/1948	
			H.Rept. 80-1753	
H.Res. 50	Secretary of State	Situation in Palestine	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
01/13/1949			Reported adversely	01/31/1949
Rep. Jacob K. Javits (R-NY)			01/31/1949	
			H.Rept. 81-10	
H.Res. 80	Secretary of Defense	Administrative action on the	Armed Services	Laid on the table
02/03/1949		program of national defense preparedness	Reported adversely	02/09/1949
Rep. Edwin Arthur Hall (R-NY)			02/09/1949	
			H.Rept. 81-36	
H.Res. 147	Secretary of State	Effect of imports on the	Merchant Marine and Fisheries	Agreed to
03/11/1949		domestic fishing industry	Reported favorably (amended)	04/22/1948
Rep. Clark W. Thompson (D-			03/30/1949	
TX)			H.Rept. 81-355	

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 196	Secretary of State	officials (Pierre Cot of the	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
04/27/1949			Reported adversely	05/04/1949
Rep. Vito Marcantonio		Zilliacus of Great Britain)	05/04/1949	
(American Laborite-NY)			H.Rept. 81-504	
H.Res. 198	United States Tariff Commission	Statistics relating to the woolen	Ways and Means	-
04/29/1949		and worsted manufacturing industry		
Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D-MA)				
H.Res. 199	Secretary of Labor	Employment statistics relating to	Education and Labor	-
04/29/1949		the woolen and worsted manufacturing industry	-	
Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D-MA)		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
H.Res. 200	Secretary of the Treasury	Corporate income tax statistics	Ways and Means	-
04/29/1949		relating to the woolen and worsted manufacturing industry	-	
Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D-MA)				
H.Res. 424	Administrator of Veterans'	Personal finances of mental	Veterans' Affairs	-
01/12/1950	Affairs	patients hospitalized by the Veterans' Administration	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)				
H.Res. 449	Secretary of the Treasury	Receipts from taxes paid on tips	Ways and Means	-
01/26/1950		and gratuities received by taxpayers	-	
Rep. Edgar A. Jonas (R-IL)				
H.Res. 452	President	Foreign policy of the United	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
01/27/1950		States in the far east	Reported adversely	02/09/1950
Rep. John D. Lodge (R-CT)			02/09/1950	
			H.Rept. 81-1618	
H.Res. 477	Secretary of the Treasury	The number of watches, clocks,	Ways and Means	-
02/16/1950		and parts of watches and clocks imported into the U.S. over the	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		previous five years		

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 478	Secretary of Commerce		Interstate and Foreign	-
02/16/1950		and parts of watches and clocks manufactured in the U.S. over	Commerce	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		the previous five years	-	
H.Res. 829	Attorney General	Arrest and detention, and	Judiciary	-
08/28/1950		deportation of Rafael Garcia Travesi-Carral	-	
Rep. Donald L. Jackson (R-CA)				
H.Res. 870	Secretary of the Army	Railroad accidents involving	Armed Services	-
11/30/1950	Chairman of the Interstate	troop transport trains	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)	Commerce Commission			
H.Res. 125	Secretary of Commerce	Railroad accident which	Interstate and Foreign	-
02/07/1951		occurred near Woodbridge, New Jersey, on February 6, 1951	Commerce	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			-	
H.Res. 514	Secretary of State	Any agreements made between the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain during their recent conversations	Foreign Affairs	Agreed to
01/31/1952			Reported adversely	02/20/1952
Rep. Ellis Y. Berry (R-SD)			02/20/1952	
			H.Rept. 82-1381	
H.Res. 609	President	Information related to the	Education and Labor	-
04/24/1952		Presidents actions during the 1952 steel strike	-	
Rep. Matthew H. Ellsworth (R- OR)				
H.Res. 661	Secretary of the Army	Insurgency in prisoner-of-war	Armed Services	Laid on the table
05/28/1952		camps in Korea and communist- inspired disturbances of the	Reported without	06/10/1952
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		peace in Japan since the	recommendation	
		departure of General MacArthur	06/10/1952	
			H.Rept. 82-2128	

Resolution, Introduction, and Sponsorship	Official(s) To Whom Inquiry is Directed	Subject of Inquiry	Committee(s) of Referral and Consideration	House Floor Action
H.Res. 662		8 7 1	Armed Services	Laid on the table
05/28/1952		camps in Korea and communist- inspired disturbances of the	Reported without	06/10/1952
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		peace in Japan since the departure of General MacArthur	recommendation	
			06/10/1952	
			H.Rept. 82-2129	
H.Res. 663	Secretary of the Army	Reduction in grade of Colonel Charles F. Colson relating to his	Armed Services	Laid on the table
05/28/1952		conduct during the riot at Koje	Reported without recommendation	06/10/1952
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		Island, Korea	06/10/1952	
			H.Rept. 82-2130	
H.Res. 664	Secretary of State	Insurgency in prisoner-of-war camps in Korea and communist- inspired disturbances of the	Foreign Affairs	Agreed to
05/28/1952			Reported favorably	06/10/1952
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)		peace in Japan since the	06/10/1952	
		departure of General MacArthur	H.Rept. 82-2131	
H.Res. 716	Secretary of State	Any agreement made by the	Foreign Affairs	-
06/28/1952		Secretary of State and the government of Great Britain	-	
Rep. Edmund P. Radwan (R-NY)		during their recent meetings and conversations which may affect the conduct of the war in Korea		
H.Res. 121	Secretary of Defense	The military operation in Korea	Armed Services	-
01/29/1953		codenamed "Operation Smack"	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)				
H.Res. 134	Civil Service Commission	Federal employees not falling	Post Office and Civil Services	-
02/06/1953		under civil service rules and regulations	-	
Rep. John D. Dingell (D-MI)		-		

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H.Res. 171	Secretary of Defense	The military operation in Korea	Armed Services	Laid on the table
03/09/1953		codenamed "Operation Smack"	Reported adversely	03/17/1953
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)			03/17/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-164	
H.Res. 278	Atomic Energy Commission	Effect on the weather of certain	Joint Committee on Atomic	-
06/11/1953		atomic bomb explosions	Energy	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			-	
H.Res. 279	Secretary of the Army	Effect on the weather of certain	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/11/1953		atomic bomb explosions	Reported adversely	06/23/1953
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			06/23/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-646	
H.Res. 280	Federal Civil Defense	Effect on the weather of certain	Armed Services	Laid on the table by rule
06/11/1953	Administrator	atomic bomb explosions	Reported adversely	06/26/1953
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			06/23/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-641	
H.Res. 281	Secretary of the Navy	Effect on the weather of certain	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/11/1953		atomic bomb explosions	Reported adversely	06/23/1953
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			06/23/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-647	
H.Res. 282	Secretary of the Air Force	Effect on the weather of certain	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/11/1953		atomic bomb explosions	Reported adversely	06/23/1953
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			06/23/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-648	

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H.Res. 283	/		Interstate and Foreign	Laid on the table
06/11/1953		atomic bomb explosions	Commerce	06/27/1953
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)			Reported adversely	
			06/27/1953	
			H.Rept. 83-682	
H.Res. 387	Secretary of the Treasury	Unexpended balances of appropriations	Appropriations	-
08/01/1953			-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)				
H.Res. 388	Comptroller General	Unexpended balances of	Appropriations	-
08/01/1953		appropriations	-	
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)				
H.Res. 434	President	Discharge of federal officers and employees for security reasons during the past year	Post Office and Civil Service	-
02/08/1954			-	
Rep. George M. Rhodes (D-PA)				
H.Res. 435	Chairman of the United States	Discharge of federal officers and employees for security reasons during the past year	Post Office and Civil Service	-
02/08/1954	Civil Service Commission		-	
Rep. George M. Rhodes (D-PA)		6		
H.Res. 436	Attorney General	Discharge of federal officers and	Judiciary	-
02/08/1954		employees for security reasons during the past year	-	
Rep. George M. Rhodes (D-PA)				
H.Res. 560	Secretary of the Navy	Facts concerning the explosion	Armed Services	Discharged by unanimous
05/26/1954		on the aircraft carrier Bennington	-	consent and laid on the table
Rep. Edith N. Rogers (R-MA)				06/07/1954
H.Res. 602	Postmaster General	Transmission of hate	Post Office and Civil Service	-
06/28/1954		propaganda through the mails	-	
Rep. Jacob K. Javits (R-NY)				

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H.Res. 632	Postmaster General	Transmission of hate	Post Office and Civil Service	-
07/14/1954		propaganda through the mails	-	
Rep. Jacob K. Javits (R-NY)				
H.Res. 134	President	Veterans' Administration	Veterans' Affairs	-
02/07/1955	Administrator of Veterans'	expenditures	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)	Affairs			
H.Res. 136	Secretary of Defense	Extent and cost of certain	Armed Services	Laid on the table
02/07/1955		military installations	Reported adversely	02/16/1955
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)			02/16/1955	
			H.Rept. 84-56	
H.Res. 207	Secretary of the Interior	Information related to	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
04/14/1955		Antarctica	-	
Rep. John P. Pillion (R-NY)				
H.Res. 209	Secretary of the Interior	Information related to	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
04/18/1955		Antarctica	-	
Rep. Craig Hosmer (R-CA)				
H.Res. 238	Secretary of Health, Education,	Statistical information relating to	Ways and Means	-
05/09/1955	and Welfare	the staffing and workload of Social Security field offices in	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)		Michigan and Indiana		
H.Res. 245	Secretary of the Interior	Information related to	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
05/16/1955		Antarctica	-	
Rep. James A. Haley (D-FL)				

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H.Res. 475	Secretary of the Treasury	Distilling Company income tax	Ways and Means	-
04/16/1956			Reported without	
Rep. Herman P. Eberharter (D-		Service	recommendation	
PA)			07/21/1956	
			H.Rept. 84-2867	
H.Res. 525	Secretary of Labor	Statistical information related to salaries and employment in the	Education and Labor	-
06/06/1956		manufacturing industry	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)				
H.Res. 454	Secretary of Labor	Violence related to labor strikes	Education and Labor	-
01/27/1958			-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)				
H.Res. 593	Secretary of the Interior	Information related to the school-age Indian population of the United States	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
06/16/1958			-	
Rep. Joseph M. Montoya (D- NM)				
H.Res. 612	Secretary of Labor	Activity by Labor Department	Education and Labor	-
06/30/1958		employees in relation to the Aiken Brothers Company of	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)		Greenville, South Carolina		
H.Res. 290	Secretary of Labor	Statistical information about the	Education and Labor	-
06/08/1959		amount of money paid to various labor unions	-	
Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-MI)				
H.Res. 593	Secretary of State	Reasons underlying U.S.	Foreign Affairs	-
04/10/1962		sponsorship and active support of the censure of Israel by the	-	
Rep. Leonard Farbstein (D-NY)		United Nations Security Council		
H.Res. 610	Secretary of State	Reasons underlying U.S.	Foreign Affairs	-
04/18/1962		sponsorship and active support of the censure of Israel by the	-	
Rep. Barratt O'Hara (D-IL)		United Nations Security Council		

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H.Res. 529	Postmaster General	Temporary summer	Post Office and Civil Service	-
08/18/1965		employment at the U.S. Postal Service	-	
Rep. Albert Quie (R-MN)				
H.Res. 574	Postmaster General	Temporary summer	Post Office and Civil Service	Laid on the table
09/08/1965		employment at the U.S. Postal Service	Reported adversely	09/16/1965
Rep. Albert Quie (R-MN)			09/16/1965	
			H.Rept. 89-1010	
H.Res. 575	President	Reports of the White House	Education and Labor	-
09/12/1965		Education Task Force chaired by John W. Gardner	-	
Rep. Robert H. Michel (R-IL)				
H.Res. 576	Secretary of Health, Education,	Specified proposals and position	Education and Labor	-
09/12/1965	and Welfare	papers relating to education in the states and in big city schools	-	
Rep. Robert H. Michel (R-IL)				
H.Res. 1018	President	Certain information	Appropriations	-
09/14/1966			-	
Rep. Melvin R. Laird (R-WI)				
H.Res. 489	President	The report "U.SVietnam	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/21/1971		Relationships, 1945-1967" (Also known as "The Pentagon	Reported adversely	06/30/1971
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		Papers.")	06/30/1971	
Cosponsors: (10)			H.Rept. 92-318	
H.Res. 490	President	The report "U.SVietnam	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/21/1971		Relationships, 1945-1967" (Also known as "The Pentagon	Reported adversely	06/30/1971
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		Papers.")	06/30/1971	
Cosponsors: (14)			H.Rept. 92-319	

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H.Res. 491	President	The report "U.SVietnam	Armed Services	Motion to discharge fell on a
06/21/1971	Secretary of State	Relationships, 1945-1967" (Also known as "The Pentagon	-	point of order
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)	Director of the Central	Papers.")		07/07/1971
Cosponsors: (17)	Intelligence Agency			
H.Res. 492	Secretary of State	U.S. operations in Laos	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
06/21/1971			Reported adversely	07/07/1971
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey,			07/01/1971	
Jr. (R-CA)			H.Rept. 92-327	
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 493	Secretary of State	The Phoenix Program	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
06/21/1971			Reported adversely	07/07/1971
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey,			07/01/1971	
Jr. (R-CA)			H.Rept. 92-328	
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 494	Secretary of State	The report "U.S. Vietnam	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
06/21/1971		Relationships, 1945-1967" (Also known as "The Pentagon	Reported adversely	07/07/1971
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey,		Papers.")	07/01/1971	
Jr. (R-CA)			H.Rept. 92-329	
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 495	Secretary of State	Bombing operations in northern	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
06/21/1971		Laos	Reported adversely	07/07/1971
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey,			07/01/1971	
Jr. (R-CA)			H.Rept. 92-330	
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 530	Secretary of Health, Education,	Busing to achieve racial balance	Education and Labor	-
07/08/1971	and Welfare	in the public schools	-	
Rep. James M. Collins (R-TX)				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 539	Secretary of Health, Education,	Busing to achieve racial balance	Education and Labor	Discharged and agreed to
07/14/1971	and Welfare	in the public schools	-	08/02/1971
Rep. James M. Collins (R-TX)				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 557	Secretary of Defense	Extent of military assistance to	Armed Services	Discharged and laid on the table
07/21/1971		certain foreign countries	-	08/03/1971
Rep. Bertram L. Podell (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 595	Secretary of State	Communications pertaining to	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
09/14/1971		the upcoming Vietnamese presidential election	Reported adversely	09/30/1971
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)			09/27/1971	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 92-512	
H.Res. 619	Secretary of State	Communications pertaining to	Foreign Affairs	Discharged and laid on the table
09/27/1971		the upcoming Vietnamese presidential election	-	09/30/1971
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 632	Secretary of State	Role of the U.S. government in	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
09/27/1971		events leading to an uncontested presidential election in South	Reported adversely	10/20/1971
Rep. Lester Wolff (D-NY)		Vietnam on October 3, 1971	10/14/1971	
Cosponsors: (24)			H.Rept. 92-567	

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H.Res. 638	Secretary of State	Role of the U.S. government in	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
10/06/1971		events leading to an uncontested presidential election in South	Reported adversely	10/20/1971
Rep. Lester Wolff (D-NY)		Vietnam on October 3, 1971	10/14/1971	
Cosponsors: (14)			H.Rept. 92-568	
H.Res. 918	President	Statistics relating to U.S. military	Armed Services	Laid on the table
04/11/1972	Secretary of Defense	involvement in Indochina	Reported adversely	04/26/1972
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)			04/19/1972	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 92-1003	
H.Res. 1078	Secretary of Defense	Statistics relating to U.S. military	Armed Services	Laid on the table
08/02/1972		involvement in North Vietnam	Reported adversely	08/16/1972
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey, Jr. (R-CA)			08/10/1972 H.Rept. 92-1330	
Cosponsors: (none)			11.hept. 72-1550	
H.Res. 1079	Secretary of Defense	Statistics relating to U.S. military	Armed Services	Laid on the table
08/02/1972		involvement in North Vietnam	Reported adversely	08/16/1972
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey,			08/10/1972	
Jr. (R-CA)			H.Rept. 92-1331	
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 26	President	Statistics relating to U.S. military	Armed Services	Laid on the table
01/03/1973	Secretary of Defense	involvement in Vietnam	Reported adversely	03/01/1973
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)			03/01/1973	
Cosponsors: (21)			H.Rept. 93-40	

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H.Res. 114	Secretary of Defense	Data relating to the extent of the bombing of North Vietnam from December 17, 1972, through January 10, 1973	Armed Services	Laid on the table
01/11/1973			Reported adversely	03/06/1973
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)			03/01/1973 H.Rept. 93-38	
Cosponsors: (13)			п.керг. 73-30	
H.Res. 115	Secretary of Defense	Data relating to the extent of the bombing of North Vietnam from December 17, 1972, through January 10, 1973	Armed Services	Laid on the table
01/11/1973			Reported adversely	03/06/1973
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)			03/01/1973	
Cosponsors: (13)			H.Rept. 93-39	
H.Res. 143	Secretary of Defense	Data relating to the extent of the bombing of North Vietnam from December 17, 1972, through January 10, 1973	Armed Services	Laid on the table
01/18/1973			Reported adversely	03/06/1973
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)			03/01/1973	
Cosponsors: (1)			H.Rept. 93-41	
H.Res. 220	Attorney General	Basis of the venue in the northern district of Texas of the grand jury investigation before which Kenneth Tierney, Thomas Laffey, Matthias Reilly, Paschal Morahan, and Daniel Crawford have been summoned	Judiciary	-
02/19/1973			-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (3)				
H.Res. 223	Attorney General	Basis of the venue in the northern district of Texas of the grand jury investigation before which Kenneth Tierney, Thomas Laffey, Matthias Reilly, Paschal Morahan, and Daniel Crawford have been summoned	Judiciary	-
02/20/1973			-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (I)				

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H.Res. 258	Attorney General	Record of the Department of	Judiciary	-
02/28/1973		Justice which led to the determination of the venue in	-	
Rep. Hugh L. Carey (D-NY)		the Northern District of Texas		
Cosponsors: (2)		of the grand jury investigation before which Kenneth Tierney, Thomas Laffey, Matthias Reilly, Paschal Morahan, and Daniel Crawford have been summoned		
H.Res. 262	Attorney General	Basis of the venue in the	Judiciary	-
03/01/1973		northern district of Texas of the grand jury investigation before	-	
Rep. James V. Stanton (D-OH)		which Kenneth Tierney, Thomas		
Cosponsors: (none)		Laffey, Matthias Reilly, Paschal Morahan, and Daniel Crawford have been summoned		
H.Res. 281	Attorney General	Basis of the venue in the	Judiciary	-
03/08/1973		northern district of Texas of the grand jury investigation before	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		which Kenneth Tierney, Thomas		
Cosponsors: (none)		Laffey, Matthias Reilly, Paschal Morahan, and Daniel Crawford have been summoned		
H.Res. 346	Secretary of Health, Education,	Regulations governing social	Ways and Means	-
04/09/1973	and Welfare	services proposed in the Federal Register of February 16, 1973	-	
Rep. Ogden R. Reid (D-NY)		(38 F.R. 4608-4613)		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 350	Secretary of Health, Education,	Regulations governing social	Ways and Means	-
04/10/1973	and Welfare	services proposed in the Federal Register of February 16, 1973	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		(38 F.R. 4608-4613)		
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 379	Secretary of Defense	Bombing and other activities in	Armed Services	Laid on the table
05/03/1973		Cambodia and Laos during the period January 27, 1973, to April	Reported adversely	05/09/1973
Rep. Robert L. Leggett (D-CA)		30, 1973	05/09/1973	
Cosponsors: (15)			H.Rept. 93-170	
H.Res. 508	Secretary of Defense	Data concerning the extent of	Armed Services	-
07/25/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 519	Secretary of Defense	Data concerning the extent of	Armed Services	-
07/31/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (24)				
H.Res. 520	Secretary of Defense	Data concerning the extent of	Armed Services	-
08/01/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (5)				
H.Res. 522	Secretary of Defense	Data concerning the extent of	Armed Services	-
08/02/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (3)				

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H.Res. 525	Secretary of Defense	8	Armed Services	-
08/03/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 537	Secretary of Defense	Data concerning the extent of	Armed Services	-
09/10/1973		the bombing of Cambodia and Laos from January 20, 1969,	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		through April 30, 1970		
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 572	Attorney General	Allegations that Spiro T. Agnew accepted bribes or received consideration for services	Judiciary	Discharged and laid on the table
10/01/1973			-	10/10/1973
Rep. Paul Findley (R-IL)		rendered		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 634	Attorney General	Papers, documents, recordings,	Judiciary	Discharged and laid on the table
10/23/1973		memorandums, and items of evidence in the custody of the	-	/0 / 973
Rep. Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey, Jr. (R-CA)		Special Prosecutor, Archibald Cox, as of noon, Saturday,		
Cosponsors: (none)		October 20, 1973		
H.Res. 1002	Secretary of State	The military alert declared by	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
03/25/1974		the President on October 24, 1974	Reported adversely	04/09/1974
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D-			04/04/1974	
MA) Cosponsors: (1)			H.Rept. 93-970	

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H.Res. 1040	Secretary of Defense	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1041	Secretary of Defense	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1042	Secretary of the Army	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1043	Secretary of the Army	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1044	Secretary of the Navy	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		

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H.Res. 1045	Secretary of the Navy	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1046	Secretary of the Air Force	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1047	Secretary of the Air Force	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Armed Services	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1048	Administrator of the General	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Government Operations	-
04/22/1974	Services Administration	on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1049	Administrator of the General	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Government Operations	-
04/22/1974	Services Administration	on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.		
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		

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H.Res. 1050	Secretary of Transportation	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Interstate and Foreign	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	Commerce	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.	-	
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1051	Secretary of Transportation	Expenditure of Federal moneys	Interstate and Foreign	-
04/22/1974		on private property owned by: (1) Franklin D. Roosevelt; (2)	Commerce	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		Harry S. Truman; (3) Dwight D.	-	
Cosponsors: (none)		Eisenhower; (4) John F. Kennedy; and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson		
H.Res. 1052	Director of the Secret Service	Federal funds for administrative	House Ways and Means	-
04/22/1974		support and personnel at or near the private residences of	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		(I) Franklin D. Roosevelt, (2)		
Cosponsors: (none)		Harry S. Truman, (3) Dwight D. Eisenhower, (4) John F. Kennedy, and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson during their terms as President and Vice President.		
H.Res. 1053	Director of the Secret Service	Federal funds for administrative	House Ways and Means	-
04/22/1974		support and personnel at or near the private residences of	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)		(I) Franklin D. Roosevelt, (2)		
Cosponsors: (none)		Harry S. Truman, (3) Dwight D. Eisenhower, (4) John F. Kennedy, and (5) Lyndon B. Johnson during their terms as President and Vice President.		
H.Res. 1189	President	Agreements for nuclear	Foreign Affairs	-
06/25/1974		cooperation with Egypt and Israel	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 1219	President	Agreements for nuclear	Foreign Affairs	-
07/02/1974		cooperation with Egypt and Israel	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (16)				
H.Res. 1363	President	The specific offenses against the	Judiciary	-
09/12/1974		United States for which a pardon was granted to Richard	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		M. Nixon on September 8, 1974		
Cosponsors: (10)				
H.Res. 1370	President	Decision to grant a pardon to	Judiciary	-
09/17/1974		Richard M. Nixon	-	
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 1398	President	Payments to Richard M. Nixon	Government Operations	-
09/30/1974		and his family	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 1404	President	Payments to Richard M. Nixon	Government Operations	-
10/02/1974		and his family	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (4)				
H.Res. 1452	President	The President's proposal to	Interstate and Foreign	-
10/16/1974		classify as new oil, all oil extracted from domestic oil	Commerce	
Rep. Robert L. Leggett (D-CA)		wells by secondary methods	-	
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 1467	Secretary of Defense		Armed Services	-
11/20/1974		the Joint Chief of Staff at Duke University on October 10, 1974	-	
Rep. Lester Wolff (D-NY)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 1473	Administrator of the Small	Specified facts pertaining to	Banking and Currency	-
11/21/1974	Business Administration	small business investment companies	-	
Rep. Andrew J. Hinshaw (R-CA)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 65	President	Specified activities of the Central	Judiciary	-
01/14/1975		Intelligence Agency since January	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)		.,		
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 71	President	Specified activities of the Central	Judiciary	-
01/16/1975		Intelligence Agency since January	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)		,		
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 72	President	Information contained in the	Armed Services	-
01/16/1975		report of William E. Colby delivered to the President on or	Reported adversely	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)		about December 26, 1974,	02/27/1975	
Cosponsors: (1)		relating to activities of the Central Intelligence Agency	H.Rept. 94-22	
H.Res. 106	President	Specified activities of the Central	Judiciary	-
01/28/1975		Intelligence Agency since January	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (24)				

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H.Res. 129	Secretary of Defense	January 1973 over North and	Armed Services	-
02/03/1975			Reported adversely	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		activities in Indochina	02/27/1975	
Cosponsors: (24)			H.Rept. 94-23	
H.Res. 134	Secretary of Defense	Reconnaissance flights since	Armed Services	-
02/04/1975		January, 1973, over North and South Vietnam as well as other	-	
Rep. Bella S. Abzug (D-NY)		activities in Indochina		
Cosponsors: (5)				
H.Res. 148	President	Specified activities of the Central	Judiciary	-
02/05/1975		Intelligence Agency since January	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)		.,		
Cosponsors: (4)				
H.Res. 205	Secretary of Defense	American involvement and	Armed Services	-
02/19/1975		knowledge of the coup in Chile	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 206	Secretary of State	American involvement and	Foreign Affairs	-
02/19/1975		knowledge of the coup in Chile	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 207	President	American involvement and	Foreign Affairs	-
02/19/1975		knowledge of the coup in Chile	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 313	President		Foreign Affairs	-
03/14/1975		United States, since December 31, 1970, has been subjected to	-	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)		incarceration or denial of rights		
Cosponsors: (7)		contrary to the laws or Constitution of the Republic of Mexico		
H.Res. 391	President	Whether any citizen of the	International Relations	-
04/10/1975		United States, since December 31, 1970, has been subjected to	-	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)		incarceration or denial of rights		
Cosponsors: (18)		contrary to the laws or Constitution of the Republic of Mexico		
H.Res. 400	President	United States nationals in South	International Relations	-
04/16/1975		Vietnam, their employers, the nature of their work and an	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)		explanation of why such persons have not been evacuated		
Cosponsors: (18)		nave not been evacuated		
H.Res. 529	President	Facts relating to the seizure of	Armed Services	-
06/11/1975		the U.S. merchant ship Mayaguez by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (25)				
H.Res. 530	President	Facts relating to the seizure of	Armed Services	-
06/11/1975		the U.S. merchant ship Mayaguez by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (6)				

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H.Res. 536	Secretary of State	Facts relating to the seizure of	International Relations	-
06/12/1975		the U.S. merchant ship <i>Mayaguez</i> by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (23)				
H.Res. 537	Secretary of State	Facts relating to the seizure of	International Relations	-
06/12/1975		the U.S. merchant ship <i>Mayaguez</i> by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (11)				
H.Res. 542	President	Facts relating to the seizure of	International Relations	-
06/16/1975		the U.S. merchant ship <i>Mayaguez</i> by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (9)				
H.Res. 543	Secretary of State	Facts relating to the seizure of	International Relations	-
06/16/1975		the U.S. merchant ship <i>Mayaguez</i> by the Khmer Rouge	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)				
Cosponsors: (4)				
H.Res. 552	President	The sale of Hawk and Redeye	International Relations	-
06/18/1975		missiles to Jordan	-	
Rep. Benjamin S. Rosenthal (D- NY)				
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 718	Secretary of Health, Education,	List of public school systems in	Education and Labor	Discharged and agree to
09/17/1975	and Welfare	the United States which will be receiving Federal funds and will	-	09/29/1975
Rep. James M. Collins (R-TX)		be engaging in the busing of		
Cosponsors: (none)		schoolchildren to achieve racial balance		
H.Res. 795	President	Whether any citizen of the	International Relations	-
10/21/1975		United States, since December 31, 1970, has been subjected to	-	
Rep. Alan Steelman (R-TX)		incarceration or denial of rights		
Cosponsors: (none)		contrary to the laws or Constitution of the Republic of Mexico		
H.Res. 1193	Secretary of Defense	The extent of Cuban or other	International Relations	-
05/17/1976		foreign military or paramilitary presence in the Republic of	-	
Rep. Philip M. Crane (R-IL)		Panama or in the Panama Canal Zone		
Cosponsors: (none)		Zone		
H.Res. 1295	President	Payment of funds by the United	International Relations	-
06/11/1976		States Armed Forces or Embassy staff to the Italian	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		Christian Democratic Party or the Italian media		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 1324	President	Payment of funds by the United	International Relations	-
06/18/1976		States Armed Forces or Embassy staff to the Italian	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		Christian Democratic Party or the Italian media		
Cosponsors: (5)				

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H.Res. 1427	President	The payment of funds by any	International Relations	-
07/27/1976		person acting under the direction of the United States	-	
Rep. Michael J. Harrington (D- MA)		Government or any agency or other instrumentality of the		
Cosponsors: (7)		United States Government to any political party in Italy or the Italian media		
H.Res. 285	Attorney General	All communications and	Judiciary	-
02/09/1977		documents received by the Department of Justice from Kim	-	
Rep. Chalmers P. Wylie (R-OH)		Sang Keun of South Korea		
Cosponsors: (none)		respecting Members and employees of Congress		
H.Res. 709	Secretary of Defense	The service serial number of	Armed Services	-
07/25/1977		each individual who was present at the explosion of the atomic	-	
Rep. Tim Lee Carter (R-KY)		device known as "Smokey"		
Cosponsors: (none)		which was detonated at Camp Desert Rock, Nevada, on August 31, 1957		
H.Res. 1259	Secretary of State	Military equipment shipments to	International Relations	-
06/29/1978		Chile	-	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)				
Cosponsors: (6)				
H.Res. 197	Chairman of the Nuclear	The incident at the Three Mile	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
04/02/1979	Regulatory Commission	Island nuclear generating plant and on the danger of similar	-	
Rep. James H. Weaver (D-OR)		incidents occurring at other		
Cosponsors: (7)		nuclear generating plants		

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H.Res. 201	President	The incident at the Three Mile	Interior and Insular Affairs	-
04/03/1979		Island nuclear generating plant and on the danger of similar	-	
Rep. James H. Weaver (D-OR)		incidents occurring at other		
Cosponsors: (10)		nuclear generating plants		
H.Res. 291	President	Oil situation, including data on:	Interstate and Foreign	Agreed to
05/24/1979		(1) shortages, supplies, demand, and allocation of crude oil; and	Commerce	06/15/1979
Rep. John J. Rhodes (R-AZ)		(2) refinery yield reductions and	Reported adversely	
Cosponsors: (101)		capacity utilization.	06/11/1979	
			H.Rept. 96-261	
H.Res. 398	Secretary of State	Information concerning: (1) Israeli use of military aircraft of	Foreign Affairs	Discharged and laid on the table
08/02/1979		U.S. origin outside Israeli	-	09/13/1979
Rep. Paul Findley (R-II)		borders; and (2) Israeli compliance with the Arms		
Cosponsors: (none)		Export Control Act.		
H.Res. 551	Secretary of State	Human rights objectives and	Foreign Affairs	-
01/30/1980		policies with respect to specified countries	-	
Rep. James M. Collins (R-TX)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 571	Attorney General	Evidence compiled by the	Judiciary	Laid on the table
02/07/1980		Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation	Reported adversely	02/27/1980
Rep. Peter Peyser (R-NY)		against Members of Congress in	02/20/1980	
Cosponsors: (none)		connection with the Abscam investigation	H.Rept. 96-778	
H.Res. 598	President	U.S. decision to vote for the	Foreign Affairs	-
02/07/1980		United Nations Security Council resolution on March 1, 1980	-	
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY)				
Cosponsors: (2)				

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H.Res. 626	President	Understandings made with the	Foreign Affairs	Discharged and laid on the table
03/31/1980		Former Shah of Iran at Lackland Air Force Base and elsewhere	-	04/23/1980
Rep. George V. Hansen (R-ID)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 627	President	Commitments, admissions,	Foreign Affairs	Discharged and laid on the table
03/31/1980		and/or obligations made to the Government of Iran during	-	04/23/1980
Rep. George V. Hansen (R-ID)		March 1980		
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 745	President	House and Justice Department	Foreign Affairs	Agreed to
07/22/1980		actions and conversations with regard to Billy Carter's involvement with Libya and State	Reported favorably (amended)	09/10/1980
Rep. Robert E. Bauman (D-MD)			07/31/1980	
Cosponsors: (98)		Department cables, communications, or	H.Rept. 96-1213, pt. l	
		memorandums furnished to Billy Carter	Judiciary	
		Calter	Reported favorably (amended)	
			07/31/1980	
			H.Rept. 96-1213, pt. II	
H.Res. 777	President	Disclosure of classified	Armed Services	-
08/28/1980		information relating to the new so-called "Stealth" technology	Reported adversely	
Rep. Jim Courter (R-NJ)		for military aircraft	09/09/1980	
Cosponsors: (9)			H.Rept. 96-1309	
H.Res. 783	President	Disclosure of classified	Armed Services	-
09/08/1980		information relating to the Stealth technology for military	-	
Rep. Philip M. Crane (R-II)		aircraft		
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 790			Foreign Affairs	-
09/19/1980		information about U.S. involvement in Iran	-	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 300	Secretary of State	Pending extradition proceedings	Foreign Affairs	Discharged and laid on the table
12/10/1981		against Ziad Abu Eain	-	01/28/1982
Rep. George W. Crockett, Jr. (D-MI)			Judiciary -	
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 465	Secretary of State	Certain information concerning Roberto D'Aubuisson	Foreign Affairs	-
05/11/1982			Reported without	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)			recommendation (amended)	
Cosponsors: (none)			05/20/1982	
			H.Rept. 97-579	
H.Res. 507	President	Possible Executive interference	Judiciary	-
06/16/1982	Attorney General	with the investigation of Secretary of Labor Raymond	-	
Rep. Toby Moffett (D-CT)		Donovan.		
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 512	Secretary of Defense	Procurement of the C-5B	Armed Services	Laid on the table
06/22/1982		aircraft	Reported adversely	08/03/1982
Rep. Norman D. Dicks (D-WA)			07/19/1982	
Cosponsors: (10)			H.Rept. 97-641	

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H.Res. 159		United States activities in	Select Intelligence	-
04/13/1983		Honduras and Nicaragua Re	Reported adversely	
Rep. Tom Harkin (D-IA)			05/05/1983	
Cosponsors: (71)			H.Rept. 98-88, pt. 11	
			Armed Services	
			Reported adversely	
			05/04/1983	
			H.Rept. 98-88, pt. I	
			Foreign Affairs	
			-	
H.Res. 323	President	Certain financial information on Henry Kissinger and Henry Kissinger and Associates	Government Operations	-
09/29/1983			-	
Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez (D-TX)				
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 383	President	United States activities regarding	Armed Services	-
/ 8/1983		Grenada	Reported adversely	
Rep. Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)			02/08/1984	
Cosponsors: (22)			H.Rept. 98-597, pt. l	
			Foreign Affairs	
			Reported adversely	
			02/08/1984	
			H.Rept. 98-597, pt. 11	

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H.Res. 437	President	A report by the Arms Control	Foreign Affairs	-
02/09/1984		and Disarmament Agency entitled "A Quarter Century of	-	
Rep. Jim Courter (R-NJ)		Soviet Compliance Practices		
Cosponsors: (none)		Under Arms Control Commitments: 1958-1983 (U)," November 1983		
H.Res. 463	Secretary of State	Death squads in El Salvador	Foreign Affairs	-
03/15/1984		including possible involvement of Roberto D'Aubuisson, a former	Reported without recommendation	
Rep. James Michael Shannon (D- MA)		Army officer	04/09/1984	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 98-658	
H.Res. 464	Secretary of State	Possible involvement of Colonel	Foreign Affairs	-
03/15/1984		Oscar Edgardo Casanova in the 1980 slayings of four U.S.	Reported adversely	
Rep. James Michael Shannon (D- MA)		missionaries in El Salvador, and possible involvement of Minister	04/09/1984	
Cosponsors: (none)		of Defense Eugenio Vides	H.Rept. 98-657	
Cosponsors. (none)		Casanova in the Salvadoran Government's investigation into the slayings		
H.Res. 467	President	The CIA and death squads in El	Select Intelligence	-
03/22/1984		Salvador	Reported adversely	
Rep. James Michael Shannon (D-			04/25/1984	
MA) Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 98-709	

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H.Res. 484	President	certain military intelligence	Select Intelligence	-
04/10/1984			Reported adversely	
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)		including any possible uses of	05/10/1984	
Cosponsors: (none)		such intelligence information by El Salvador, Honduras, or	H.Rept. 98-742, pt. l	
		Guatemala; (2) military assistance furnished to	Foreign Affairs	
		Honduras and El Salvador; and	Ordered reported	
		(3) activities of the United States in El Salvador and Honduras related to hostile action against Nicaragua or against the governments of those nations	05/09/1984	
H.Res. 168	Director of the Central	Covert training or other	Select Intelligence	-
05/13/1985	Intelligence Agency	support of counterterrorist units against anti-American		
Rep. Don Edwards (D-CA)		terrorists in Lebanon or other parts of the Middle East		
Cosponsors: (2)				
H.Res. 171	President	Counterterrorist units which	Select Intelligence	-
05/14/1985		received covert training or other support from the United	Reported adversely	
Rep. Don Edwards (D-CA)		States	06/12/1985	
Cosponsors: (3)			H.Rept. 99-171	
H.Res. 226	Secretary of Defense	All information, including	Select Intelligence	-
07/17/1985		Defense Intelligence Agency analyses, relating to live	Reported adversely	
Rep. William M. Hendon (R-NC)		Americans in Southeast Asia	09/10/1985	
Cosponsors: (19)			H.Rept. 99-260, pt. l	
			Armed Services	
			-	

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H.Res. 395		The use of \$27,000,000	Foreign Affairs	Laid on the table
03/11/1986		appropriated for humanitarian assistance for the Nicaraguan	Reported adversely	05/07/1986
Rep. Leon Panetta (D-CA)		democratic resistance	05/07/1986	
Cosponsors: (48)			H.Rept. 99-585	
H.Res. 485	President	Activities of Lieutenant Colonel	Select Intelligence	-
06/24/1986		Oliver North or any other member of the staff of the	-	
Rep. Ronald D. Coleman (D-		National Security Council in	Armed Services	
TX)		support of the Nicaraguan resistance	Reported adversely	
Cosponsors: (none)			07/30/1986	
			H.Rept. 99-724, pt. l	
			Foreign Affairs	
			-	
H.Res. 603	President	Any proposal by the Assistant to	Foreign Affairs	-
10/17/1986		the President for National Security Affairs, or anyone	-	
Rep. Don Edwards (D-CA)		outside of the administration, for a plan of real or illusionary		
Cosponsors: (none)		events intended to destabilize the Libyan Government		
H.Res. 132	Secretary of Defense	Documents prepared in	Armed Services	-
03/25/1987		accordance with certain report requirements in the 1985, 1986,	Reported favorably (amended)	
Rep. Richard A. Gephardt (D- MO)		and 1987 Department of Defense Authorization Acts	04/14/1987	
Cosponsors: (none)		relating to the Strategic Defense Initiative program and the Anti- Ballistic Missile Treaty	H.Rept. 100-53	
H.Res. 176	Secretary of Energy	Contractor and national	Armed Services	-
05/27/1987		laboratory activities performed for the purpose of informing	-	
Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA)		Congress on nuclear testing.		
Cosponsors: (1)				

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H.Res. 339	President	Vice Foreign Minister Phan Hein	Select Intelligence	-
12/18/1987			Reported adversely	
Rep. Bob Smith (R-NH)		members of the armed forces	02/02/1988	
Cosponsors: (none)		held as prisoners of war or considered to be missing in action since the beginning of the Vietnam Conflict	H.Rept. 100-500	
H.Res. 473	President	U.S. foreign aid in Central	Foreign Affairs	-
06/15/1988		America	Reported adversely	
Rep. Leon Panetta (D-CA)			07/13/1988	
Cosponsors: (147)			H.Rept. 100-773	
H.Res. 74	Secretary of Defense	Information concerning the	Armed Services	-
02/09/1989		actions of the Commission on Base Realignment and Closure with respect to Fort Dix, New Jersey	Reported adversely	
Rep. Jim Courter (R-NJ)			03/15/1989	
Cosponsors: (3)			H.Rept. 101-9	
H.Res. 76	Secretary of Defense	Actions of the Commission on	Armed Services	-
02/09/1989		Base Realignment and Closure with respect to specified military	Reported adversely	
Rep. Larry J. Hopkins (R-KY)		bases	03/15/1989	
Cosponsors: (31)			H.Rept. 101-10	
H.Res. 411	President	Payments made by the U.S.	Foreign Affairs	-
06/11/1990		Government to Manuel Noriega and Guillermo Endara	-	
Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez (D-TX)			Select Intelligence	
Cosponsors: (1)			-	
H.Res. 415	Secretary of Defense	All unresolved, active live-	Armed Services	-
06/14/1990		sighting case files on Americans reported in captivity in	-	
Rep. Bob Smith (R-NH)		Southeast Asia after February I,	Select Intelligence	
Cosponsors: (none)		1973	-	

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H.Res. 19	President	Statistics relating to the conduct	Armed Services	Laid on the table
01/03/1991			Reported without	02/21/1991
Rep. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)				
Cosponsors: (14)				
			and constructionInterference of constructionttArmed ServicesLaid on the tablettReported without recommendation02/21/1991U2/20/1991H.Rept. 102-5, pt. 1Foreign AffairsForeign AffairsReported without recommendation02/21/1991U2/21/1991H.Rept. 102-5, pt. 11-heJudiciary-Reported adversely 07/20/1993-U1/20/1993H.Rept. 103-183-Judiciary-Post Office and Civil Service 	
			02/21/1991	
			H.Rept. 102-5, pt. II	
H.Res. 198	President	White House Travel Office Report 07/20/	Judiciary	-
06/16/1993			Reported adversely	
Rep. Henry J. Hyde (R-IL)			07/20/1993	
Cosponsors: (4)			H.Rept. 103-183	
H.Res. 360	President	Communications between the	Small Business	-
02/10/1994		White House and the Small Business Administration	-	
Rep. Jan Meyers (R-KS)		regarding Capital Management	Judiciary	
Cosponsors: (14)		Services, Inc., or David Hale; various questions relating to the	-	
		activities of Vincent Foster	Post Office and Civil Service	
			-	
H.Res. 80	President	The Mexican economy and	Banking and Financial Services	Agreed to
02/10/1995		certain activities of the International Monetary Fund	Reported favorably (amended)	03/01/1995
Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-OH)		,	02/27/1995	
Cosponsors: (31)			H.Rept. 104-53	

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H.Res. 334	Secretary of the Treasury	Actions taken by the Secretary	Banking and Financial Services	-
11/13/1997		of the Treasury and the United States Executive Directors at	-	
Rep. Bernard Sanders (I-VT)		the international financial		
Cosponsors: (none)		institutions to comply with the requirements of 1621 of the International Financial Institutions Act, relating to encouragement of fair labor practices		
H.Res. 667	President	Communications between the	House Administration	-
11/14/2000		Archivist of the United States and the primary responsible	-	
Rep. David E. Price (D-NC)		individual in each State relating to transmission of certificates of		
Cosponsors: (none)		ascertainment or of the determination of an electoral controversy involving the presidential election held on November 7, 2000		
H.Res. 68	President	Documents in the President's	International Relations	-
02/12/2003		possession relating to Iraq's declaration on its weapons of	Reported adversely	
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)		mass destruction that was provided to the United Nations	03/18/2003	
Cosponsors: (1)		on December 7, 2002	H.Rept. 108-38	
H.Res. 260	President	Documents that provide specific	International Relations	-
06/05/2003		evidence with respect to claims of Iraq's weapons of mass	Reported adversely	
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)		destruction	06/23/2003	
Cosponsors: (41)			H.Rept. 108-168	
H.Res. 286	Secretary of Homeland Security	Any use of Federal agency	Homeland Security	-
06/19/2003		resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members	Reported adversely	
Rep. Gene Green (D-TX)		of the Texas Legislature in the	07/21/2003	
Cosponsors: (14)		period beginning May 11, 2003, and ending May 16, 2003	H.Rept. 108-223	

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H.Res. 287	Attorney General	Any use of Federal agency	Judiciary	-
06/19/2003		resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members	Reported adversely	
Rep. Gene Green (D-TX)		of the Texas Legislature in the	07/17/2003	
Cosponsors: (14)		period beginning May 11, 2003, and ending May 16, 2003	H.Rept. 108-215	
H.Res. 288	Secretary of Transportation	Any use of Federal agency	Transportation and	-
06/19/2003		resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members	Infrastructure	
Rep. Gene Green (D-TX)		of the Texas Legislature in the	Reported adversely	
Cosponsors: (14)		period beginning May 11, 2003,	07/21/2003	
		and ending May 16, 2003	H.Rept. 108-220	
H.Res. 358	President	The report prepared for the	Armed Services	-
09/05/2003		Joint Chiefs of Staff entitled "Operation Iragi Freedom	-	
Rep. Robert Wexler (D-FL)		Strategic Lessons Learned" and	International Relations	
Cosponsors: (12)		other materials relating to the Administration's planning for the	-	
		reconstruction and security of		
		post-war Iraq		
H.Res. 364	President	The report prepared for the	Armed Services	-
09/09/2003		Joint Chiefs of Staff entitled "Operation Iragi Freedom	Reported adversely	
Rep. Robert Wexler (D-FL)		Strategic Lessons Learned" and	10/02/2003	
Cosponsors: (45)		other materials relating to the Administration's planning for the	H.Rept. 108-289, pt. II	
		reconstruction and security of	International Relations	
		post-war Iraq	Reported adversely	
			10/01/2003	
			H.Rept. 108-289, pt. 1	

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H.Res. 499	Secretary of State	Documents in the possession of	Select Intelligence	-
01/21/2004	Secretary of Defense	the President relating to the disclosure of the identity of Ms.	Reported adversely	
Rep. Rush D. Holt (D-NJ)	Attorney General	Valerie Plame as an employee of	02/03/2004	
Cosponsors: (74)		the Central Intelligence Agency during the period beginning on	H.Rept. 108-413, pt. 1	
		May 6, 2003, and ending on July 31, 2003.	Armed Services	
		51, 2005.	Ms. a of O2/03/2004 H.Rept. 108-413, pt. 1 Armed Services Reported adversely O2/27/2004 H.Rept. 108-413, pt. IV International Relations Reported adversely O2/27/2004 H.Rept. 108-413, pt. II Judiciary Reported adversely O2/27/2004 H.Rept. 108-413, pt. II judiciary Reported adversely O2/27/2004 H.Rept. 108-413, pt. III eo, Armed Services Armed Services - Reported adversely	
			H.Rept. 108-413, pt. IV	
			International Relations	
			Reported adversely	
			02/27/2004	
			H.Rept. 108-413, pt. II	
			Judiciary	
			Reported adversely	
			02/27/2004	
			H.Rept. 108-413, pt. III	
H.Res. 640	Secretary of Defense	Any picture, photograph, video,	Armed Services	-
05/12/2004		communication, or report produced in conjunction with	Reported adversely	
Rep. Chris Bell (D-TX)		any completed Department of	06/16/2004	
Cosponsors: (40)		Defense investigation conducted by Major General Antonio M. Taguba relating to allegations of torture or allegations of violations of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq	H.Rept. 108-547	

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H.Res. 689	President	8	Armed Services	-
06/23/2004	Secretary of State	treatment of prisoners or detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, or	Reported adversely	
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Secretary of Defense	Guantanamo Bay and any	07/22/2004	
Cosponsors: (47)	Attorney General	instructions for handling such documents	H.Rept. 108-632	
H.Res. 699	Secretary of State	Documents relating to the	International Relations	-
06/25/2004		treatment of prisoners or detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, or	Reported adversely	
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)		Guantanamo Bay and any	07/22/2004	
Cosponsors: (49)		instructions for handling such documents	H.Rept. 108-631	
H.Res. 700	Attorney General	Documents relating to the	Judiciary	-
06/25/2004		treatment of prisoners or detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, or	Reported adversely	
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)		Guantanamo Bay and any instructions for handling such documents	09/07/2004	
Cosponsors: (49)			H.Rept. 108-658	
H.Res. 745	President	Specified information respecting	Energy and Commerce	-
06/25/2004		the National Energy Policy Development Group	Reported adversely	
Rep. John D. Dingell (D-MI)			09/23/2004	
Cosponsors: (4)			H.Rept. 108-697	
H.Res. 776	President	Estimated cost of the	Ways and Means	-
09/15/2004	Secretary of Health and Human	Administration's Medicare prescription drug legislation	Reported adversely	
Rep. Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Services	r r r r G G a s	10/07/2004	
Cosponsors: (4)			H.Rept. 108-754, pt. l	
			Energy and Commerce	
			Reported adversely	
			10/08/2004	
			H.Rept. 108-754, pt. II	

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H.Res. 134	President	Plan assets and liabilities of	Education and the Workforce	-
03/02/2005		single-employer pension plans	Reported adversely	
Rep. George Miller (D-CA)			04/12/2005	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 109-34	
H.Res. 136	Attorney General	The security investigations and	Judiciary	-
03/03/2005	Secretary of Homeland Security	background checks relating to granting access to the White	Reported adversely	
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)		House of James D. Guckert	04/05/2005	
Cosponsors: (33)		(also known as Jeff Gannon)	H.Rept. 109-30	
H.Res. 170	President	President's remarks on the	Ways and Means	-
03/17/2005		Social Security trust fund	Reported adversely	
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)			04/27/2005	
Cosponsors: (39)			H.Rept. 109-58	
H.Res. 363	President	Disclosure of the identity and	Select Intelligence	-
07/14/2005	Secretary of State	employment of Ms. Valerie Plame	-	
Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ)	Secretary of Defense		Armed Services	
Cosponsors: (80)	Director of the CIA		-	
	Attorney General		International Relations;	
			-	
			Judiciary	
			-	
H.Res. 375	President	The policy of the United States	International Relations	-
Rep. Barbara Lee	Secretary of State	with respect to Iraq	Reported adversely	
07/21/2005 (D-CA)			09/16/2005	
Cosponsors: (83)			H.Rept. 109-223	

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H.Res. 408	President	The policy of the United States	International Relations	-
Rep. Maurice Hinchey (D-NY)	Secretary of Defense	with respect to Iraq	Reported adversely	
07/28/2005			09/16/2005	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 109-224	
H.Res. 417	Secretary of Defense	Disclosure of the identity and	Armed Services	-
Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ)		employment of Ms. Valerie Plame	Reported adversely	
07/29/2005			09/22/2005	
Cosponsors: (20)			H.Rept. 109-234	
H.Res. 418	President	Disclosure of the identity and	Select Intelligence	-
Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ)		employment of Ms. Valerie Plame	Reported adversely	
07/29/2005			09/21/2005	
Cosponsors: (20)			H.Rept. 109-228	
H.Res. 419	Secretary of State	Disclosure of the identity and	International Relations	-
Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ)		employment of Ms. Valerie Plame	Reported adversely	
07/29/2005			09/16/2005	
Cosponsors: (20)			H.Rept. 109-225	
H.Res. 420	Attorney General	Disclosure of the identity and	Judiciary	-
Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ)		employment of Ms. Valerie Plame	Reported adversely	
07/29/2005			09/22/2005	
Cosponsors: (20)			H.Rept. 109-230	
H.Res. 463	Secretary of Homeland Security	Reapportionment of airport	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR)		screeners	Reported adversely	
09/27/2005			10/28/2005	
Cosponsors: (15)			H.Rept. 109-259	

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H.Res. 467	President	Contracts for services or	Education and the Workforce -	-
Rep. George Miller (D-CA)		construction related to Hurricane Katrina recovery	Reported adversely	
09/27/2005			10/28/2005	
Cosponsors: (21)			H.Rept. 109-258	
H.Res. 488	President	Contracts for services or	Transportation and	-
Rep. Steven C. LaTourette (R-		construction related to Hurricane Katrina recovery	Infrastructure	
OH)		There is a second s	Reported without recommendation	
10/07/2005			11/03/2005	
Cosponsors: (4)			H.Rept. 109-269	
H.Res. 505	President	White House Iraq Group	International Relations	-
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)	Secretary of State		Reported adversely	
10/20/2005			11/10/2005	
Cosponsors: (109)			H.Rept. 109-291	
H.Res. 515	President	The anticipated effects of	Science	-
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)		climate change on the coastal regions of the United States	Reported adversely	
10/26/2005			11/15/2005	
Cosponsors: (150)			H.Rept. 109-296	
H.Res. 549	President	President's October 7, 2002	International Relations	-
Rep. Maurice Hinchey (D-NY)		speech in Cincinnati, Ohio and his January 28, 2003 State of the	Reported without	
11/10/2005		Union Message	recommendation (amended)	
Cosponsors: (2)			12/16/2005	
			H.Rept. 109-351	

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H.Res. 593	President	Extraordinary rendition of certain foreign persons	International Relations	-
Rep. Edward Markey (D-MA)	Secretary of State		Reported adversely	
12/08/2005	Secretary of Defense		02/10/2006	
Cosponsors: (3)	Secretary of Homeland Security		H.Rept. 109-374	
	Attorney General			
H.Res. 624	President	United States policies under the	International Relations	-
Rep. Gary Ackerman (D-NY)	Secretary of State	United Nations Convention Against Torture and Other	Reported adversely	
12/16/2005		Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading	02/10/2006	
Cosponsors: (14)		Treatment or Punishment and the Geneva Conventions	H.Rept. 109-375	
H.Res. 641	President	Electronic surveillance without	Select Intelligence	-
Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA)		search warrants on individuals in the United States	Reported adversely	
12/18/2005			03/07/2006	
Cosponsors: 29			H.Rept. 109-385	
H.Res. 642	President	The Secretary of State's trip to	International Relations	-
Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA)	Secretary of State	Europe in December 2005	Reported adversely	
12/18/2005			02/10/2006	
Cosponsors: (13)			H.Rept. 109-376	
H.Res. 643	Attorney General	Warrantless electronic	Judiciary	-
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)		surveillance	Reported adversely	
12/22/2005			03/02/2006	
Cosponsors: (51)			H.Rept. 109-382	
H.Res. 644	President	Authorization of electronic	Judiciary	-
Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY)	Attorney General	surveillance of citizens of the United States without court	Reported adversely	
12/22/2005		approved warrants	03/02/2006	
Cosponsors: (1)			H.Rept. 109-383	

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H.Res. 645	President	intelligence information pertaining to persons inside the United States without obtaining	Armed Services	-
Rep. Robert Wexler (D-FL)	Secretary of Defense		Reported adversely	
12/22/2005			03/07/2006	
Cosponsors: (2)		court-ordered warrants	H.Rept. 109-384	
H.Res. 685	President	Information relating to any	Armed Services	-
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)	Secretary of State	entity (including the Rendon Group and the Lincoln Group)	Reported adversely	
02/15/2006	Secretary of Defense	with which the United States has	03/16/2006	
Cosponsors: (15)		entered into a contract for public relations purposes concerning Iraq	H.Rept. 109-397	
H.Res. 717	Secretary of Commerce	The final draft report, produced	Science	-
Rep. Bart Gordon (D-TN)		by the professional staff of the Technology Administration,	Reported without	
03/09/2006		entitled: "Six-Month Assessment	recommendation	
Cosponsors: (24)		of Workforce Globalization In Certain Knowledge-Based	04/07/2006	
		Industries"	H.Rept. 109-415	
H.Res. 718	President	Dubai Ports World acquisition of six United States commercial	Financial Services	-
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)	Secretary of Homeland Security	ports leases	Reported without	
03/09/2006			recommendation (amended) 04/07/2006	
Cosponsors: (2)			H.Rept. 109-414	
H.Res. 752	Duction	Density and an attraction to the	•	
	President	Receipt and consideration by the Executive Office of the	Government Reform	-
Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-CA) 03/30/2006		President of any information concerning the variation	Reported adversely 05/09/2006	
		between the version of S. 1932,		
Cosponsors: (11)		the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, that the House of	H.Rept. 109-457	
		Representatives passed on		
		February 1, 2006, and the version of the bill that the		
		President signed on February 8, 2006		

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H.Res. 809	Secretary Homeland Security	agreement between the	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Louise Slaughter (D-NY)			Reported adversely	
05/09/2006		Security and Shirlington	05/25/2006	
Cosponsors: (none)		Limousine and Transportation, Incorporated of Arlington, VA	H.Rept. 109-484	
H.Res. 819	President	Requests made by the National	Judiciary	-
Rep. Robert Wexler (D-FL)	Attorney General	Security Agency and other Federal agencies to telephone	Reported favorably	
05/17/06		service providers requesting	06/23/2006	
Cosponsors: (none)		access to telephone communications records of persons in the United States	H.Rept. 109-527	
H.Res. 845	President,	Department of Justice's Office of	Judiciary	-
Rep. Maurice Hinchey (D-NY)	Secretary of Defense	Professional Responsibility's investigation of the National	Reported adversely	
05/25/2006	Attorney General	Security Agency's surveillance	06/26/2006	
Cosponsors: (8)		program	H.Rept. 109-528	
H.Res. 846	President	Strategies and plans either	International Relations	-
Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA)	Secretary of State	designed to cause regime change in or for the use of military	Reported adversely	
05/25/2006		force against Iran	06/23/2006	
Cosponsors: (25)			H.Rept. 109-526	
H.Res. 985	Secretary of State	Documents relating to the	International Relations	-
Rep. Howard L. Berman (D-CA)		report submitted to a House committee on the Iran and Syria	Reported without	
09/07/2006		Nonproliferation Act	recommendation	
Cosponsors: (1)			09/27/2006	
			H.Rept. 109-689	
H.Res. 1020	Secretary of Defense	Documents relating to Maher Arar	Armed Services	-
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)			-	
09/20/2006				
Cosponsors: (none)				

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H.Res. 1021	Secretary of Homeland Security	Documents relating to Maher Arar	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)			-	
09/20/2006				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 1022	Secretary of State	Documents relating to Maher	International Relations	-
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)		Arar	-	
09/20/2006				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 1023	President	Documents relating to Maher	International Relations	-
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)		Arar	-	
09/20/2006				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 1024	Attorney General	Documents relating to Maher	Judiciary	-
Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA)		Arar	-	
09/20/2006				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 1043	Director of National Intelligence	National Intelligence Estimate of	Select Intelligence	-
Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)		April 2006 relating to trends in global terrorism	-	
09/27/2006		0		
Cosponsors: (46)				
H.Res. 1066	President	U.S. policy towards Iran	Armed Services	-
Rep. Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)			-	
09/29/2006			International Relations	
Cosponsors: (15)			-	
			Select Intelligence	
			-	

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H.Res. 251	Secretary of the Treasury	Communications with the	Financial Services	-
Rep. Steven C. LaTourette (R- OH)		American International Group, Inc. (AIG)	Reported favorably	
03/17/2009			04/23/2009	
Cosponsors: (56)			H.Rept. 111-84	
H.Res. 404	Secretary of Homeland Security	Documents relating to the	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Peter T. King (R-NY)		intelligence assessment titled, "Rightwing Extremism: Current	Reported favorably (amended)	
05/06/2009		Economic and Political Climate	06/04/2009	
Cosponsors: (14)		Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment"	H.Rept. 111-134	
H.Res. 446	President Director of Environmental Protection Agency	Information relating to the EPA's	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (R-WI)		finding that greenhouse gas emissions are a danger to public health and public health and	-	
05/14/2009	Director of Office of	welfare		
Cosponsors: (none)	Management and Budget			
H.Res. 449	President	Information relating to the EPA's	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (R-WI)		finding that greenhouse gas emissions are a danger to public health and welfare	Reported without recommendation	
05/15/2009			06/12/2009	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-146	
H.Res. 462	President	Information relating to	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. Steven C. LaTourette (R- OH)			Reported without recommendation	
05/20/2009			06/12/2009	
Cosponsors: (9)			H.Rept. 111-147	

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H.Res. 477	Secretary of Defense	Information relating to the	Armed Services	-
Rep. J. Randy Forbes (R-VA)		FY2010-2030 shipbuilding plan	Reported favorably (amended)	
05/21/2009			06/19/2009	
Cosponsors: (8)			H.Rept. 111-167	
H.Res. 478	Secretary of Defense	Information relating to the	Armed Services	-
Rep. J. Randy Forbes (R-VA)		FY2010-2030 aviation plan	Reported favorably (amended)	
05/21/2009			06/19/2009	
Cosponsors: (8)			H.Rept. 111-168	
H.Res. 537	President	Communications related to	Judiciary	-
Rep. Mike J. Rogers (R-MI)	Attorney General	detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism	Reported adversely	
06/11/2009			06/26/2009	
Cosponsors: (3)			H.Rept. 111-189	
H.Res. 570	Secretary of Homeland Security	The immigration status of any	Judiciary	-
Rep. Mike J. Rogers (R-MI)		detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism	-	
06/19/2009		•		
Cosponsors: (3)				
H.Res. 591	President	Specific communications with	Financial Services	-
Rep. John A. Boehner (R-OH)		and financial assistance provided to General Motors Corporation	Reported favorably (amended)	
06/26/2009		and Chrysler LLC	07/24/2009	
Cosponsors: (9)			H.Rept. 111-231	
H.Res. 602	President	Communications regarding	Armed Services	-
Rep. Mike J. Rogers (R-MI)	Secretary of Defense	detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism	Reported favorably (amended)	
06/26/2009			07/23/2009	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-221	

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H.Res. 636	Attorney General	The transfer or release of Judiciary detainees held at Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, into the	Judiciary	-
Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA)			Reported adversely	
07/13/2009		United States	07/31/2009	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-242	
H.Res. 871	Attorney General	Information received from or	Judiciary	-
Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX)		referencing the American Association for Justice and any	Reported without	
10/27/2009		of its members since January 20,	recommendation	
Cosponsors: (none)		2009, that refers or relates to any recommendation regarding	11/18/2009	
		medical malpractice reform	H.Rept. 111-341	
H.Res. 920	Attorney General	Detainees held at Naval Station,	Judiciary	-
Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX)		Guantanamo Bay, Cuba who are transferred into the UnitedReported adverselyStates.12/15/2009H.Rept. 111-378	Reported adversely	
/ 9/2009			12/15/2009	
Cosponsors: (16)			H.Rept. 111-378	
H.Res. 922	Secretary of Homeland Security	The Department's planning,	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Peter T. King (R-NY)		information sharing, and coordination with any state or	Reported favorably (amended)	
11/19/2009		locality receiving detainees held at Naval Station, Guantanamo	12/15/2009	
Cosponsors: (14)		Bay, Cuba	H.Rept. 111-377	
H.Res. 923	President	Effects on foreign intelligence	Select Intelligence	-
Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-MI)		collection of the transfer of detainees held at Naval Station,	Reported favorably (amended)	
11/19/2009		Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, into the	12/16/2009	
Cosponsors: (2)		United States.	H.Rept. 111-384	
H.Res. 924	Secretary of Defense	Trial or detention of Khalid	Armed Services	-
Rep. Howard P. "Buck" McKeon (R-CA)		Sheikh Mohammed, Walid Muhammad Salih Mubarek Bin 'Attash, Ramzi Binalshibh, Ali	Reported favorably (amended)	
11/19/2009		Abdul Aziz Ali, or Mustafa		
Cosponsors: (17)		Ahmed Adam al Hawsawi.	H.Rept. 111-383	

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H.Res. 978	President	Inventory and review of intelligence related to the shooting at Fort Hood, Texas, described by the President in a memorandum dated November 10, 2009.	Select Intelligence	-
Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-MI)			Reported adversely	
12/16/2009			01/27/2010	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-402	
H.Res. 980	Secretary of Homeland Security	Transportation Security Administration's Aviation Security Screening Management Standard Operating Procedures manual	Homeland Security	-
Rep. Charles W. Dent (R-PA)			Reported adversely	
12/16/2009			01/27/2010	
Cosponsors: (6)			H.Rept. 111-403	
H.Res. 983	President Secretary of Health and Human Services	Agreements and communications relating to proposed health care reform legislation	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. Michael C. Burgess (R-TX)			Reported without	
12/16/2009			recommendation	
Cosponsors: (none)			01/29/2010	
			H.Rept. 111-408	
H.Res. 985	Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency	Nutrient management of the Illinois River Watershed, Arkansas and Oklahoma	Transportation and Infrastructure	-
Rep. John Boozman (R-AR)			mirastructure	
12/16/2009			-	
Cosponsors: (none)				
H.Res. 994	Attorney General	Decision to dismiss United States v. New Black Panther Party	Judiciary	-
Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA)			Reported adversely	
012/16/2009			01/27/2010	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-404	
H.Res. 995	President	Nutrient management of the Illinois River Watershed, Arkansas and Oklahoma	Transportation and	-
Rep. John Boozman (R-AR)			Infrastructure	
12/19/2009			Reported without recommendation (amended)	
Cosponsors: (none)			01/20/2010	
			H.Rept. 111-407	

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H.Res. 1238	Secretary of the Interior	The Secretary's Treasured Landscape Initiative, designation of national monuments, and high priority land-rationalization efforts	Natural Resources	-
Rep. Doc Hastings (R-WA)			-	
04/13/2010				
Cosponsors: (1)				
H.Res. 1254	Secretary of the Interior	The Secretary's Treasured Landscape Initiative, designation of national monuments, and high priority land-rationalization efforts	Natural Resources	-
Rep. Doc Hastings (R-WA)			Reported without	
04/15/2010			recommendation	
Cosponsors: (1)			05/11/2010	
			H.Rept. 111-480	
H.Res. 1406	Secretary of the Interior	Specified information relating to the potential designation of National Monuments under the Antiquities Act	Natural Resources	-
Rep. Doc Hastings (R-WA)			Reported favorably	
05/27/2010			06/23/2010	
Cosponsors: (1)			H.Rept. 111-510	
H.Res. 1455	Attorney General	Discussion of administration appointments by White House staff with any candidate for public office in exchange for such candidate's withdrawal from any election	Judiciary	-
Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX)			Reported adversely	
06/17/2010			07/15/10	
Cosponsors: (1)			H.Rept. 111-538	
H.Res. 1466	President Secretary of Energy	The application to foreclose Yucca Mountain, Nevada from use as a high level nuclear waste repository	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (R-WI)			Reported without recommendation	
06/22/2010			07/19/10	
Cosponsors: (none)			H.Rept. 111-550	
H.Res. 1561	Secretary of Health and Human Services	Documents prepared by or for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services regarding the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	Energy and Commerce	-
Rep. Michael C. Burgess (R-TX)			Reported without	
07/27/2010			recommendation	
Cosponsors: (none)			09/29/10	
			H.Rept. 111-649	

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