

Résumé of Congressional Activity

This table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate from January 5, 1955, through July 27, 1956.

FIRST SESSION				SECOND SESSION			
January 5 through August 2, 1955				January 3 through July 27, 1956			
	Senate	House	Total		Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	105	112	..	Days in session.....	119	118	..
Time in session.....	559 hrs., 41'	471 hrs., 19'	..	Time in session.....	801 hrs., 42'	465 hrs., 57'	..
Congressional Record:				Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings....	6, 251	5, 079	11, 330	Pages of proceedings....	8, 489	5, 471	13, 960
Appendix.....	..	..	6, 783	Appendix.....	..	..	..
Public bills enacted into law..	162	228	390	Public bills enacted into law..	211	427	638
Private bills enacted into law..	146	344	490	Private bills enacted into law..	156	247	403
Bills in conference.....	..	1	1	Bills in conference.....	1	1	2
Bills through conference.....	14	44	58	Bills through conference.....	20	57	77
Measures passed, total.....	1, 325	1, 597	..	Measures passed, total.....	1, 555	1, 236	..
Senate bills.....	574	361	..	Senate bills.....	585	295	..
House bills.....	566	966	..	House bills.....	685	596	..
Senate joint resolutions..	22	16	..	Senate joint resolutions..	28	24	..
House joint resolutions..	20	24	..	House joint resolutions..	70	78	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	25	18	..	Senate concurrent resolutions.....	21	19	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	21	25	..	House concurrent resolutions.....	33	33	..
Simple resolutions.....	97	187	284	Simple resolutions.....	133	191	324
Measures reported, total.....	*1, 426	*1, 528	..	Measures reported, total.....	*1, 629	*1, 170	..
Senate bills.....	626	215	..	Senate bills.....	629	243	..
House bills.....	571	1, 099	..	House bills.....	680	640	..
Senate joint resolutions..	27	7	..	Senate joint resolutions..	39	12	..
House joint resolutions..	20	33	..	House joint resolutions..	71	85	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	28	9	..	Senate concurrent resolutions.....	19	14	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	21	17	..	House concurrent resolutions.....	31	24	..
Simple resolutions.....	133	148	281	Simple resolutions.....	160	152	322
Special reports.....	28	44	..	Special reports.....	***67	***93	..
Conference reports.....	..	60	..	Conference reports.....	..	79	..
Reported measures not acted on.....	**22	**79	..	Reported measures not acted on.....	**33	**87	..
Measures introduced, total..	3, 070	8, 844	11, 914	Measures introduced, total..	1, 865	5, 260	7, 125
Bills.....	2, 759	7, 869	10, 628	Bills.....	1, 556	4, 598	6, 154
Joint resolutions.....	104	436	540	Joint resolutions.....	99	266	365
Concurrent resolutions..	58	196	254	Concurrent resolutions..	30	81	111
Simple resolutions.....	149	343	492	Simple resolutions.....	180	315	495
Quorum calls.....	62	74	136	Quorum calls.....	94	58	..
Yea-and-nay votes.....	88	73	161	Yea-and-nay votes.....	136	74	..
Bills vetoed.....	5	6	11	Bills vetoed.....	9	14	23
Vetoed overridden.....	..	..	..	Vetoed overridden.....	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. In the first session 1,305 reports were filed in the Senate and 1,632 in the House. During the second session, 1,527 reports were filed in the Senate; a total of 1,342 were filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

***Subsequent to sine die adjournment 13 House and 7 Senate special reports were filed and are included in above figures.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

This table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for confirmation.

FIRST SESSION

January 5 through August 2, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,490, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	1, 131
Withdrawn.....	12
Rejected.....	3
Unconfirmed.....	344
Army nominations, totaling 5,805, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	5, 804
Unconfirmed.....	1
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,910, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	3, 594
Unconfirmed.....	316
Navy nominations, totaling 16,496, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	16, 432
Unconfirmed.....	64
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 11,256, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	11, 256
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,729, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	1, 680
Withdrawn.....	3
Unconfirmed.....	46
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations received.....	40, 686
Total withdrawn.....	15
Total rejected.....	3
Total unconfirmed.....	771
Total confirmed.....	39, 897

SECOND SESSION

January 3 through July 27, 1956

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,902, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	1, 252
Withdrawn.....	22
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	628
Army nominations, totaling 8,425, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	8, 425
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	None
Air Force nominations, totaling 6,217, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	6, 217
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	None
Navy nominations, totaling 18,471, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	18, 437
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	34
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 5,534, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	5, 534
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,938, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed.....	2, 932
Withdrawn.....	1
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	5
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations received.....	43, 487
Total withdrawn.....	23
Total rejected.....	None
Total unconfirmed.....	667
Total confirmed.....	42, 797