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Carl T. Hayden, Democrat of Arizona, was chairman of the committee for 14 years, from January 11, 1955, until January 3, 1969. He became a committee member on December 13, 1927, and remained on the committee during all of his almost 42 years in the Senate.

Born at Hayden's Ferry (now Tempe), AZ, in 1877, Hayden graduated from the Normal School of Arizona in 1896 and from Stanford University in 1900. After engaging in the flour-milling business, he was elected treasurer of Maricopa County in 1904 and became sheriff in 1907. With Arizona's admission as a State in 1912, Hayden won election to the U.S. House of Representatives, serving until 1927. In 1926 he was elected to the U.S. Senate, where he remained until January 3, 1969. In the course of his Senate service, Hayden also chaired a number of other committees, including the Committee on Rules and Administration, the Joint Committee on Printing, and the Joint Committee on Inaugural Arrangements. During every Congress from the 85th through the 90th, Hayden served as President pro tempore of the Senate. His combined service of nearly 57 years in both the House and Senate is the longest congressional service in history. Hayden died in 1972.

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