

Legislative Support: Useful Telephone Numbers and Internet Addresses

Jennifer E. Manning Information Research Specialist Knowledge Services Group

Summary

This report, one of a series of reports on the legislative process, provides a brief list of telephone numbers, room numbers, and Internet addresses (where available) of use to congressional staffers engaged in legislative procedure and research. Internet access restrictions are noted. Some of the websites listed are available only to congressional offices; other sites are restricted further and are only available to House or Senate offices. This report is intended for congressional use only and will be updated annually. Thiago C. S. Marques provided research assistance for this report.

Legislative Support Agencies and Offices

Congressional Research Service

Madison Building, LM205 La Follette Congressional Reading Room, LM202 Library of Congress (202) 707-5700; Hotline for "ready reference" questions: (202) 707-7100 [http://www.crs.gov] for congressional offices only

For research and analysis on any topic.

Clerk of the House/House Legislative Resource Center

B106 Cannon House Office Building (202) 225-7000; to order publications: (202) 226-5200 or e-mail hdocs@mail.house.gov [http://clerk.house.gov] [http://clerkhouse.house.gov] for House offices only

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

CRS-2

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

Congressional Budget Office

H2-410 Ford House Office Building (202) 226-2700; to order publications: (202) 226-2809 [http://www.cbo.gov]

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

Government Accountability Office

441 G Street, NW (202) 512-4400; to order publications: (202) 512-6000 [http://www.gao.gov] [http://watchdog.house.gov] for House offices only [http://watchdog.senate.gov] for Senate offices only

Investigative arm of Congress; produces reports on government programs after they are established.

House Information Resources

H2-631 Ford House Office Building (202) 225-6002 or (800) 447-8737 [http://housenet.house.gov/hir/default.htm] for House offices only

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

House Legislative Counsel

136 Cannon House Office Building(202) 225-6060[http://legcoun.house.gov][http://legcoun.house.gov/members.html] for House offices only

For assistance with legislative drafting and preparation of conference reports.

House Parliamentarian

H209 Capitol (202) 225-7373 No website.

For assistance with legislative procedure.

Law Library of Congress

Law Library Reading Room, LM201 Library of Congress (202) 707-2700 for congressional offices only [http://www.loc.gov/law] [http://www.loc.gov/law/congress] for congressional offices only

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

National Archives and Records Administration

707 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
(202) 357-5100
[http://www.archives.gov/congress] for congressional offices only
[http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/current.html] for newly enacted laws

Office of the Federal Register: call (202) 741-6040 to speak with someone for information about newly assigned public law numbers, or see the listings at [http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/current.html].

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

Public Laws Electronic Notification Service, an automatic message service about newly enacted laws: to subscribe, follow the instructions at [http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/laws/updates.html].

Office of Management and Budget

725 17th Street, NW (Eisenhower Executive Office Building)(202) 395-4790[http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB]

For federal budget information.

Secretary of the Senate

S312 Capitol (202) 224-3622; to order publications: (202) 224-1356 [http://webster.senate.gov/secretary] for Senate offices only

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

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

Senate IT Support Services

Postal Square Building, 6th Floor (202) 228-4357 [http://webster.senate.gov/saa/services] for Senate offices only

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

Senate Legislative Counsel

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

For assistance with legislative drafting and preparation of conference reports.

Senate Library

B15 Russell Senate Office Building(202) 224-7106[http://webster.senate.gov/secretary/library/library.html] for Senate offices only

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

Senate Parliamentarian

S133 Capitol (202) 224-6128 No website.

For assistance with legislative procedure.

White House Executive Clerk's Office

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

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

Internet Addresses

GPO Access Website

[http://www.gpoaccess.gov]

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

House of Representatives Website

[http://www.house.gov] [http://housenet.house.gov] for House offices only

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

Legislative Information System (LIS) Website [http://www.congress.gov] for congressional offices only

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

Senate Website

[http://www.senate.gov] [http://webster.senate.gov] for Senate offices only

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

THOMAS Website

[http://thomas.loc.gov]; public version of LIS

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

White House Website

[http://www.whitehouse.gov]

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