Black-American Chairs of Subcommittees of Standing Committees in the U.S. House and Senate, 1885–2007

CONGRESS	MEMBER	COMMITTEE	SUBCOMMITTEE
110th (2007–2009)	Corrine Brown (D-FL)	Transportation and Infrastructure	Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials
	Donna Christensen (D-VI) ^a	Natural Resources	Insular Affairs
	Elijah Eugene Cummings (D-MD)	Transportation and Infrastructure	Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation
	William Lacy Clay, Jr. (D-MO)	Oversight and Government Reform	Information Policy, Census, and National Archives
	Danny K. Davis (D-IL)	Oversight and Government Reform	Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia
	Alcee Lamar Hastings (D-FL)	Rules	Legislative and Budget Process
	Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX)	Homeland Security	Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection
	Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX)	Transportation and Infrastructure	Water Resources and Environment
	John R. Lewis (D-GA)	Ways and Means	Oversight
	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) ^a	Transportation and Infrastructure	Economic Development, Public Bldgs & Emergency Management
	Barack Obama (D-IL) ^b	Foreign Relations	European Affairs
	Donald Milford Payne (D-NJ)	Foreign Affairs	Africa and Global Health
	Bobby L. Rush (D-IL)	Energy and Commerce	Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection
	Robert Cortez Scott (D-VA)	Judiciary	Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security
	Edolphus Towns (D-NY)	Oversight and Government Reform	Government Management, Organization, and Procurement
	Maxine Waters (D-CA)	Financial Services	Housing and Community Opportunity
	Melvin L. Watt (D-NC)	Financial Services	Oversight and Investigations
	Albert Russell Wynn (D-MD)	Energy and Commerce	Environment and Hazardous Materials
104th–109th (1995–2007)	No black Members chaired subcommittees	N/A	N/A
103rd (1993–1995)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	House Administration	Libraries and Memorials
	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Post Office and Civil Service	Oversight and Investigations
	Barbara-Rose Collins (D-MI)	Post Office and Civil Service	Postal Operations and Services
	Cardiss Collins (D-IL)	Energy and Commerce	Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Competitiveness
	John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Government Operations	Legislation and National Security
	Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)	Armed Services	Military Acquisition
	Julian Carey Dixon (D-CA)	Appropriations	District of Columbia
	Floyd Harold Flake (D-NY)	Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs	General Oversight, Investigations, and the Resolution of Failed Financial Institutions
	Harold Eugene Ford, Jr. (D-TN)	Ways and Means	Human Resources
	Kweisi Mfume (D-MD)	Small Business	Minority Enterprise, Finance and Urban Development
	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) ^a	District of Columbia	Judiciary and Education
	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) ^a	Post Office and Civil Service	Compensation and Employee Benefits
	Major Robert Odell Owens (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Select Education and Civil Rights
	Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Ways and Means	Select Revenue Measures

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103rd (1993–1995) Continued	Louis Stokes (D-OH)	Appropriations	Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies
	Edolphus Towns (D-NY)	Government Operations	Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations
	Alan Dupree Wheat (D-MO)	District of Columbia	Government Operations and Metropolitan Affairs
102nd (1991–1993)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	House Administration	Libraries and Memorials
	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Post Office and Civil Service	Investigations
	Cardiss Collins (D-IL)	Energy and Commerce	Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Competitiveness
	John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Government Operations	Legislation and National Security
	Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)	Armed Services	Research and Development
	Julian Carey Dixon (D-CA)	Appropriations	District of Columbia
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	District of Columbia	Judiciary and Education
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	Foreign Affairs	Africa
	Michael Alphonso (Mike) Espy (D-MS)	Budget	Community Development and Natural Resources
	Harold Eugene Ford, Sr. (D-TN)	Ways and Means	Human Resources
	Major Robert Odell Owens (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Select Education
	Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Ways and Means	Select Revenue Measures
	Gus Savage (D-IL)	Public Works and Transportation	Public Buildings and Grounds
	Alan Dupree Wheat (D-MO)	District of Columbia	Government Operations and Metropolitan Affairs
101st (1989–1991)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Education and Labor	Labor-Management Relations
	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	House Administration	Libraries and Memorials
	Cardiss Collins (D-IL)	Government Operations	Government Activities and Transportation
	John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Government Operations	Legislation and National Security
	George William Crockett, Jr. (D-MI)	Foreign Affairs	Western Hemisphere Affairs
	Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)	Armed Services	Research and Development
	Julian Carey Dixon (D-CA)	Appropriations	District of Columbia
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	District of Columbia	Judiciary and Education
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	Foreign Affairs	International Operations
	Michael Alphonso (Mike) Espy (D-MS)	Hunger (Select)	Domestic
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	International Development, Finance Trade and Monetary Policy
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	District of Columbia	Fiscal Affairs and Health
	Harold Eugene Ford, Sr. (D-TN)	Ways and Means	Human Resources
	Augustus Freeman (Gus) Hawkins (D-CA)	Education and Labor	Elementary, Secondary, and Vocational Education
	George Thomas (Mickey) Leland (D-TX)	Post Office and Civil Service	Postal Operations and Services
	Major Robert Odell Owens (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Select Education
	Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Ways and Means	Select Revenue Measures
	Gus Savage (D-IL)	Public Works and Transportation	Economic Development
	Alan Dupree Wheat (D-MO)	District of Columbia	Government Operations and Metropolitan Affairs
100th (1987–1989)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Education and Labor	Labor-Management Relations
	Cardiss Collins (D-IL)	Government Operations	Government Activities and Transportation
	John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Judiciary	Criminal Justice
	George William Crockett, Jr. (D-MI)	Foreign Affairs	Western Hemisphere Affairs
	Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)	Armed Services	Military Installations and Facilities
	Julian Carey Dixon (D-CA)	Appropriations	District of Columbia
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	District of Columbia	Judiciary and Education

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100th (1987–1989)	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	Post Office and Civil Service	Census and Population
Continued	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	International Development Institutions and Finance
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	District of Columbia	Fiscal Affairs and Health
	Augustus Freeman (Gus) Hawkins (D-CA)	Education and Labor	Elementary, Secondary, and Vocational Education
	George Thomas (Mickey) Leland (D-TX)	Post Office and Civil Service	Postal Operations and Services
	Major Robert Odell Owens (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Select Education
	Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Ways and Means	Select Revenue Measures
	Gus Savage (D-IL)	Public Works and Transportation	Economic Development
	Louis Stokes (D-OH)	Intelligence (Permanent Select)	Program and Budget Authorization
	Alan Dupree Wheat (D-MO)	District of Columbia	Government Operations and Metropolitan Affairs
99th (1985–1987)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Education and Labor	Labor-Management Relations
	Cardiss Collins (D-IL)	Government Operations	Government Activities and Transportation
	John Conyers, Jr. (D-MI)	Judiciary	Criminal Justice
	Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA)	Armed Services	Military Installations and Facilities
	Julian Carey Dixon (D-CA)	Appropriations	District of Columbia
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	District of Columbia	Judiciary and Education
	Mervyn Malcolm Dymally (D-CA)	Post Office and Civil Service	Postal Personnel and Modernization
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs	Domestic Monetary Policy
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	District of Columbia	Fiscal Affairs and Health
	Harold Eugene Ford, Sr. (D-TN)	Ways and Means	Public Assistance and Unemployment Compensation
	Augustus Freeman (Gus) Hawkins (D-CA)	Education and Labor	Elementary, Secondary, and Vocational Education
	George Thomas (Mickey) Leland (D-TX)	Post Office and Civil Service	Postal Operations and Services
	Parren James Mitchell (D-MD)	Joint Economic Committee	Investment, Jobs, and Press
	Parren James Mitchell (D-MD)	Small Business	SBA and SBIC Authority, Minority Enterprise and General Small Business Problems
	Charles B. Rangel (D-NY)	Ways and Means	Select Revenue Measures
	Louis Stokes (D-OH)	Intelligence (Permanent Select)	Program and Budget Authorization
98th (1983–1985)	William Lacy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Education and Labor	Labor-Management Relations
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Cardiss Col John Conyo Ronald V. I Charles Co Walter Edw Walter Edw Augustus Fo Augustus Fo Ralph Harc	acy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Post Office and Civil Service	Civil Service
Ronald V. I Charles Co Walter Edw Walter Edw Augustus F Augustus F Ralph Harc	ollins (D-IL)	Government Operations	Manpower and Housing
Ronald V. I Charles Co Walter Edw Walter Edw Augustus F Augustus F Ralph Harc	rers, Jr. (D-MI)	Judiciary	Crime
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Walter Edw Walter Edw Augustus Fr Augustus Fr Ralph Harc	oles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	International Relations	Africa
Walter Edw Augustus Fr Augustus Fr Ralph Harc	ward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs	Historic Preservation and Coinage
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	es Mitchell (D-MD)	Budget	Human Resources
	lson Cornelius Nix, Sr. (D-PA)	Post Office and Civil Service	Investigations
Louis Stoke		Budget	Community and Physical Resources
	acy Clay, Sr. (D-MO)	Post Office and Civil Service	Employee Rights and Intergovermental Programs
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	rers, Jr. (D-MI)	District of Columbia	Education, Labor, and Social Services
	Dellums (D-CA)	Foreign Affairs	International Resources, Food, and Energy
Walter Edw	Dellums (D-CA) oles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	District of Columbia	Government Operations
Augustus F	Dellums (D-CA)		Equal Opportunities
Augustus F	Dellums (D-CA) oles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	Education and Labor	
Ralph Haro	Dellums (D-CA) oles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI) ward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	Education and Labor House Administration	Electrical and Mechanical Office Equipment
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	,		Africa
	Charles Coles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	Foreign Affairs	
	Walter Edward Fauntroy (D-DC) ^a	District of Columbia	Judiciary
	Augustus Freeman (Gus) Hawkins (D-CA)	Education and Labor	Equal Opportunity
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91st (1969–1971)	Charles Coles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	District of Columbia	Subcommittee No. 2
	Charles Coles Diggs, Jr. (D-MI)	Foreign Affairs	Africa
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	Robert Nelson Cornelius Nix, Sr. (D-PA)	Post Office and Civil Service	Census and Statistics
	Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Ad Hoc Subcommittee on the Poverty War Program
88th (1963-1965)	William Levi Dawson (D-IL)	Government Operations	Executive and Legislative Reorganization
87th (1961–1963)	William Levi Dawson (D-IL)	Government Operations	Executive and Legislative Reorganization
	Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. (D-NY)	Education and Labor	Labor Management Irregularities
86th (1959–1961)	William Levi Dawson (D-IL)	Government Operations	Executive and Legislative Reorganization
	Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. (D-NY)	Interior and Insular Affairs	Mines and Mining
49th (1885–1887)	James Edward O'Hara (R-NC)	Invalid Pensions	H.R. 6485 (Relating to increase of pension in certain cases)*

a Denotes Delegate

b Denotes U.S. Senator

^{*} There were no official subcommittees for the Invalid Pensions Committee; however, Members were often assigned leadership roles in considering specific bills or charged with organizing petitions from specific states [Minutes of the Committee on Invalid Pensions, 49th Congress, Records of the United States House of Representatives (RG 233), National Archives Building, Washington, DC]