

# Naming Conventions for selected House publications

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#### Introduction

The House Rules for the 112th Congress call for greater transparency and accessibility to legislative documents.

Specifically, two provisions were added to the rules by House Resolution 5:

- Clause 3 of Rule XXIX provides that a measure or matter will have been considered as having been publicly "available" within the meaning of the rules if it was publicly available in electronic form at a location designated by the Committee on House Administration.
- Clause 4(d)(1)(E) of Rule X directs the Committee on House Administration to establish and maintain standards for documents made available in electronic form by the House and its committees.

The intention of these two provisions is to ensure that Members and the public have easy access to bills, resolutions, and amendments considered in committee and by the House. According to Chairman Dreier's statements before the House, "The standard for electronic documents is intended to evolve over time. While the standard may initially include more static formats such as a searchable PDF, the intention is to eventually transition to more flexible structured data formats, such as XML, as the tools become available to ease the creation and ensure the integrity of House documents. With respect to availability, the provision is intended to place electronic distribution on par with traditional printing; rather than entirely replace it. Finally, the rule contemplates a singular location that will direct Members and the public to the text of measures to be considered by the House and its committees." 1

The Speaker and House Leadership have directed the Clerk to create a centralized repository to provide access to documents that will be considered in committee and by the House. For 2011, the Committee on Rules is providing access to legislative text being considered by the House at <a href="http://rules.house.gov/billsthisweek.aspx?NewsID=337">http://rules.house.gov/billsthisweek.aspx?NewsID=337</a>, and each committee is posting documents under consideration by the committee on their own websites. In 2012, the Office of the Clerk made available the site, <a href="http://docs.house.gov">http://docs.house.gov</a> which provides access to legislative text being considered by the House, and in 2013, the site started to provide access to legislative text being considered by House committees.

The Committee on House Administration, as directed by House rules<sup>2</sup>, has established standards<sup>3</sup> for posting House and committee documents and data electronically. As part of the standards, the Office of the Clerk has been directed to, "...publish and maintain naming standards for each document [required to be posted online as outlined in the standards]". These standards will facilitate automated searching and uploading of such documents. Files will be posted using permanent URL links. These links will facilitate outside and committee usage of these files. In addition, permanent URL links will allow archived committee web sites to maintain functionality<sup>4</sup>." This document describes the naming standards for electronic files for congressional documents covered under the aforementioned standards adopted by the Committee on House Administration on December 16, 2011. These naming standards are used on docs.house.gov.

The goals in the naming conventions include:

- Reduce duplicate document names in the committee repository;
- Enable search and search engine capabilities;
- Allow the document's name to be self-identifying.

Where possible, the naming standards follow existing naming conventions used by the Government Printing Office's Federal Digital System (FDSys).

### Linking to documents on GPO or THOMAS

If a document has already been published and posted on GPO's FDSys System (http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/), it is acceptable and encouraged to link to this location on docs.house.gov or a committee website.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statements of House Committee on Rules chairman David Dreier, before the U.S. House of Representatives, *Congressional Record*, Jan. 5, 2011, pp. H7–H13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> H. Res 5, Rule X - clause 4 sec (d)(1) states that the Committee on House Administration shall— (E) establish and maintain standards for making documents publicly available in electronic form by the House and its committees.

http://cha.house.gov/sites/republicans.cha.house.gov/files/documents/member\_services\_docs/electronic\_posting\_standards.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Committee on House Administration document entitled "Standards for the Electronic Posting of House and Committee Documents & Data"

#### **Identifying Members**

Where it is necessary to have a member identifier in the file name, the Member's Biographical ID number or Bioguide ID should be used. The current Members and their Bioguide IDs are listed in the appendix. For former Members, see <a href="http://bioguide.congress.gov">http://bioguide.congress.gov</a>.

The benefits of using the Biographical ID number include having a unique identifier within and across Congresses that is already in use by organizations in and outside of the Legislative Branch, and avoids duplicate document names due to duplicate or similar Member names.

#### Updates to the conventions

The conventions in this document will be updated when it is deemed necessary to add additional document types, add additional clarification to the naming conventions, or other circumstances.

Updates to this document	Version	Notes
6/16/2015	Version 3	Updated to add naming conventions regarding YouTube channels for committee video.
8/29/2014	Version 2	Updated to account for privileged reports from the Committees on the Budget, House Administration, and Ethics. Added a new convention for general documents that are not associated with a meeting. Added new convention for transcripts and a single vote file with multiple votes. Added new conventions for the sections of a Hearing Transcript document that were not accounted for in previous versions of this document. Removed convention for originally reported measures as it is not being used – other conventions can be used. Added naming convention for committee activity reports to reflect change in House Rules in the 113 <sup>th</sup> Congress. Corrected typographical errors found in prior versions.
4/24/2012	Version 1.2.1	updated to correct an omission of the member's Bioguide IDs on the sample conventions for the Committee on Appropriations on page 16; updated to correct typographical errors.
2/15/2012	Version 1.2	updated based on discussions with committees the week of January 23, 2012.

#### **Feedback**

If you have feedback on this document, the naming conventions described here and/or their use, contact the Committee on House Administration.

## **Naming Conventions**

### **Bills and Resolutions**

#### Bills and Resolutions with measure numbers

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+measure number), followed by legislative stage abbreviation.

Types of Measures	Abbreviation	Types of Measures	Abbreviation
House Bill	HR	Senate Bill	S
House Joint Resolution	HJRes	Senate Joint Resolution	SJRes
House Concurrent Resolution	HConRes	Senate Concurrent Resolution	SConRes
House Simple Resolution	HRes	Senate Simple Resolution	SRes

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample
Introduced in House	ih	This version is a bill or resolution as formally presented by a Member of Congress to a clerk when the House is in session.	BILLS-113hr1401ih.pdf BILLS-112hconres2ih.pdf BILLS-111hconres127ih.pdf
Reported in House	rh	This version is a bill or resolution as reported by the committee or one of the committees to which it was referred, including changes, if any, made in committee. The bill or resolution is usually accompanied by a committee report which describes the measure, the committee's views on it, its costs, and the changes it proposes to make in existing law. The bill or resolution is then available for floor consideration. This version occurs with both House and Senate bills.	BILLS-113hjres1rh.pdf BILLS-112hr1407rh.pdf BILLS-111hres409rh.pdf

#### Bills and Resolutions without measure numbers

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by PIH, followed by a hyphen, *followed by brief description*.

Doc Type	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample file name
Pre-introduced measure; no bill	PIH	The measure has not been assigned a bill number. (pre-introduced)	BILLS-112hrPIH-description
number			BILLS-113hrpih-publiclands.pdf

#### Bills and Resolutions being considered under suspension

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+measure number), followed by a hyphen, followed by SUS.

Doc Type	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample file name
Measure considered under suspension	SUS	A measure that is being considered under suspension of the rules	Bill number: BILLS-112hr123-SUS.pdf
Suspension			No bill number: BILLS-112hr-SUS- <i>description</i>

### Bills and Resolutions being considered under unanimous consent

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+measure number), followed by legislative stage abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by UConsent.

Doc Type	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample file name
Motion for Unanimous Consent Concerning measure number	UConsent	A unanimous consent request asks permission, explicitly or implicitly, to set aside one or more rules. This is a measure that is considered by unanimous consent.	BILLS-112hr2887ih-UConsent.pdf

## Original Bills and Resolutions being reported by the Committee on Appropriations

Appropriation Measures	Definition	Convention
Original reported measure; no bill number.	An appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs. The bill is an original reported measure and has no bill number.  This is the bill as it is reported to the House.	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by <b>ORH</b> (original measure reported in House), followed by a hyphen, followed by description.
Bill as it is being considered by the full committee, following subcommittee consideration	An appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs.  This is the bill as it is being considered by the full committee, following subcommittee consideration.	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by FC (full committee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by description.
Bill as it is being considered by the subcommittee	An appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs.  This is the bill as it is being considered by the subcommittee	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by SC (subcommittee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by description.

SAMPLES	Bill as it is being considered by the subcommittee	Bill as it is being considered by the full committee, following subcommittee consideration	Bill as it is being reported to the House
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies	BILLS-113HR-SC-AP- FY2014-Agriculture.pdf	BILLS-113HR-FC-AP- FY2014-Agriculture.pdf	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP- FY2014-Agriculture.pdf
Defense	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-Defense.pdf	FY2014-Defense.pdf	FY2014-Defense.pdf
State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs	BILLS-113HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-StateForOp.pdf	FY2014-StateForOp.pdf	FY2014-StateForOp.pdf
Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-Interior.pdf	FY2014-Interior.pdf	FY2014-Interior.pdf
Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-LaborHHS.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-LaborHHS.pdf	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP- FY2014-LaborHHS.pdf
Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-EnergyWater.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-EnergyWater.pdf	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP- FY2014-EnergyWater.pdf
Homeland Security	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-HSecurity.pdf	FY2014-HSecurity.pdf	FY2014-HSecurity.pdf
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-MilCon.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-MilCon.pdf	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP- FY2014-MilCon.pdf
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies	BILLS-113HR-SC-AP- FY2014-CJS.pdf	BILLS-113HR-FC-AP- FY2014-CJS.pdf	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP- FY2014-CJS.pdf
Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-TransHUD.pdf	FY2014-TransHUD.pdf	FY2014-TransHUD.pdf
Financial Services and	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
General Government	FY2014-FServices.pdf	FY2014-FServices.pdf	FY2014-FServices.pdf
Legislative Branch	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-	BILLS-113HR-ORH-AP-
	FY2014-LegBranch.pdf	FY2014-LegBranch.pdf	FY2014-LegBranch.pdf

Supplemental Appropriations Measures	Definition	Convention
Original reported measure; no bill number.	A supplemental appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs. The bill is an original reported measure and has no bill number.  This is the bill as it is reported to the	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by ORH (original measure reported in House), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "suppl", followed by a number, where one would indicate the first supplemental for a particular fiscal year's supplemental bill.
	House.	Sample: BILLS-112HR-ORH-AP-FY2014-suppl-01.pdf BILLS-112HR-ORH-AP-FY2014-suppl-02.pdf
Bill as it is being considered by the full committee.	A supplemental appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs.  This is the bill as it is being considered by full committee	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by FC (full committee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "suppl", followed by a number, where one would indicate the first supplemental for a particular fiscal year's supplemental bill.  Sample:  BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014-suppl-01.pdf  BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014-suppl-02.pdf
Bill as it is being considered by the subcommittee	A supplemental appropriations bill proposed by the Appropriations Committee that provides funds for most federal agencies and programs.  This is the bill as it is being considered by the subcommittee.	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by SC (subcommittee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "suppl", followed a by number, where one would indicate the first supplemental for a particular fiscal year's supplemental bill.
		Sample: BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-FY2014-suppl-01.pdf BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-FY2014-suppl-02.pdf

Continuing resolutions	Definition	Convention
Original reported resolution; no resolution number.	A joint resolution that provides funds to continue the operation of federal agencies and programs at the beginning of a new fiscal year if their annual appropriation bills have not yet been enacted; also called continuing appropriations	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by ORH (original measure reported in House), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "cr", followed by a number, where one would indicate the resolution for a particular fiscal year's continuing resolution.
	This is the resolution as it is reported to the House.	Sample: BILLS-112HJRes-ORH-AP-FY2014-CR-01.pdf BILLS-112HJRes-ORH-AP-FY2014-CR-02.pdf
being considered by the full committee.  to continue the operation of federal agencies and programs at the beginning of a new fiscal year if their believed by the followed by FC (full committee).		CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by FC (full committee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "cr", followed by a number.
	This is the resolution as it is being considered by full committee	Sample: BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014-CR-01.pdf BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014-CR-02.pdf
Resolution as it is being considered by the subcommittee	A joint resolution that provides funds to continue the operation of federal agencies and programs at the beginning of a new fiscal year if their annual appropriation bills have not yet been enacted; also called continuing appropriations	CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by measure type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by SC (subcommittee consideration), followed by a hyphen, followed by the description "cr", followed a by number.
	This is the resolution as it is being considered by the subcommittee.	Sample: BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-FY2014-CR-01.pdf BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014-CR-02.pdf

### **Amendments**

#### **House and Senate Amendments**

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+number), followed by a hyphen, followed by abbreviation.

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample file name
House Amendments to a Senate measure or amendment (or Senate amendments being considered by the House)	HAmdt (first degree) HAmdt2 (second degree) HAmdt3 (third degree)  SAmdt (first degree) SAmdt2 (second degree) SAmdt3 (third degree)	The basic method for reconciling House and Senate differences on a measure, by passing it back and forth between the two chambers until both have agreed to identical language by means of amendments.	BILLS-113S123-HAmdt.pdf BILLS-113HR123-HAmdt2.pdf BILLS-113HR123-HAmdt3.pdf  BILLS-112S365-SAmdt.pdf BILLS-112S365-SAmdt2.pdf BILLS-112S365-SAmdt3.pdf

#### **Floor Amendments**

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+number), followed by the Sponsor's Bioguide ID, followed by amendment number.

Other Types of Documents	Abbreviation	Definition	Sample file name
Floor Amendments	SponsorBioguideID- Amdt-## where the number used is the Congressional Record amdt number when amendments are pre- printed in the Record or Rules Committee amdt number	Amendments considered on the House Floor.	BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-1.pdf BILLS-112-HR2401-D000604-Amdt-10.pdf

Note: The House has multiple numbering sources for amendments.

#### **Committee/Subcommittee Amendments**

See the section on Markup documents.

## **House and Senate Conference Reports**

CONVENTION: GPO Collection type of CRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by HRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by *report number or legis-num (measure type abbreviation+number)*.

Conference Reports with Report Numbers

Conference Reports	Definition	Sample file name
Conference Reports	A document submitted to both houses that contains a conference committee's proposals for resolving their differences on a measure.	CRPT-112HRPT-reportnumber.pdf Sample: CRPT-112hrpt332.pdf

#### Conference Reports without Report Numbers

Conference Reports	Definition	Sample file name
Conference Reports	A document submitted to both houses that contains a conference committee's proposals for resolving their differences on a measure.	HRPT -112- <i>legis-num</i> .pdf  Samples: HRPT-113-hr456.pdf HRPT-113-hr456-p1.pdf

Conference Reports	Definition	Sample file name	
Conference Reports Multiple files – text of legislation	A document submitted to both houses that contains a conference committee's proposals for resolving their differences on a measure.  If the conference report needs to be divided into smaller documents in order to be posted, it is acceptable to add an extension to the filenames.	CRPT-112HRPT-measurenumber, followed by a description.pdf  Sample – measure was posted by legislative divisions:  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-frontmatter.pdf  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonA.pdf  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonB.pdf  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonB.pdf  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-signaturesheets.pdf	
Conference Reports Multiple files – joint statement of managers	A document that contains the joint statement of managers that is part of a conference report.	CRPT-112HRPT-measurenumber-SOM.pdf for full document containing joint statement.  Sample – measure was posted by legislative divisions:  CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-frontmatter-som.pdf CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonA-som.pdf CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonB-som.pdf CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonB-som.pdf CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-DivisonB-som.pdf CRPT-112hrpt-HR2055-Signaturesheets-som.pdf	

## Meeting Notices<sup>5</sup>

### **Multiple Meetings in One Week Notice**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by *either* committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "Weekof", followed by YYYYMMDD.

Meeting Notice	Definition	Sample file name
Multiple Meetings in One Week Notice	A document that contains a committee's meetings notice for a particular calendar week. (Monday is the start date even if the week's Monday is a holiday.)	HMTG-112-AG-Weekof20111205

#### **Single Meeting Notice by Meeting Type**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by *either* committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by YYYYMMDD, followed by "SD" for support document, followed by the number of the support document.

Meeting Type	Abbreviation	Sample file name
other business meeting	HMTG	HMTG-113-AG00-20131014-SD001.pdf (Agriculture)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The meeting notice naming convention should be used for a Hearing Advisory document.

## Meeting Documents (Hearings, Markups, other)

#### **Committee Recorded Vote**

#### **Individual votes**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of CRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by HMTG, followed by committee or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by VOTE number, followed by date of vote YYYYMMDD.

- Posted per vote.
- Not all committees uniquely number their votes across meetings. Most start over with each meeting.

Committee Votes	Definition	Sample file name
Committee Votes	A document containing the vote result for a vote taken in the committee regardless of outcome.	CRPT-113-AG00-Vote001-20131014.pdf

#### One vote file

CONVENTION: Collection Type of CRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by HMTG, followed by committee or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by the word "ALL" (for all the votes from a single meeting), followed by date of the meeting YYYYMMDD.

Committee Votes	Definition	Sample file name
Committee Votes	A document containing the vote result for a vote taken in the committee regardless of outcome.	CRPT-113-AG00-VoteALL-20131014.pdf

#### **Committee/Subcommittee Amendments**

CONVENTION: GPO Collection Type of BILLS, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+number), followed by the Sponsor's Bioguide ID, followed by amendment number determined by the Committee.

Amendments	Definition	Sample file name
Amendment considered in committee	Amendments considered in a committee or subcommittee	BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-001.pdf
Amendments en bloc	A set of amendments considered enbloc.  NOTE: post the enbloc amendments together, particularly if they correspond to one committee vote.	BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-001-Enbloc-001.pdf BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-001-Enbloc-002.pdf  BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-Enbloc-001.pdf BILLS-112-HR2608-R000395-Amdt-Enbloc-002.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Whether your committee uses the terms "Chairman's Mark", "Manager's Amendment", or "an Amendment in the Nature of the Substitute", assign the amendment a number and use the above naming convention.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Some committees number their amendments using the amendment tree while others use a unique identifier unrelated to the amendment tree. The naming convention provides for this flexibility.

Amendment Tree Samples: Markup of H.R. 3116 on October 12 and 13, 2011 by Committee on Homeland Security		
An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute (#1): offered by Rep. King (NY)	BILLS-112-HR3116-K000210-Amdt-001.pdf	
Amendment #1A: offered by Rep. Thompson (MS)	BILLS-112-HR3116-000193-Amdt-001A.pdf	
Amendment #1B: offered by Rep. Clarke (NY),	BILLS-112-HR3116-C001067 Amdt-001B.pdf	
Amendment #1CC: offered by Rep. McCaul (TX)	BILLS-112-HR3116-K000210-Amdt-001CC.pdf	
Amendment #1CC1:	BILLS-112-HR3116-K000210-Amdt-001CC1.pdf	

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Sample Amendments for Appropriations measures

SAMPLES	Amendments before the subcommittee	Amendments before the full committee
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP-FY2014- Agriculture-SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt- 001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP-FY2014- Agriculture- <i>SponsorBioGuideID-</i> Amdt- 001.pdf
Defense	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- Defense- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt- 001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- Defense- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt- 001.pdf
State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- StateForOp- <i>SponsorBioGuideID-</i> Amdt- 001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- StateForOp- <i>SponsorBioGuideID-</i> Amdt-001.pdf
Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-Interior- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-Interior- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt-001.pdf
Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- LaborHHS- <i>SponsorBioGuideID</i> -Amdt- 001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- LaborHHS- <i>SponsorBioGuideID-</i> Amdt- 001.pdf
Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- EnergyWater- <i>SponsorBioGuideID</i> - Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- EnergyWater- <i>SponsorBioGuideID</i> - Amdt-001.pdf
Homeland Security	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- HSecurity- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt- 001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- HSecurity- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt- 001.pdf
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-MilCon- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-MilCon- SponsorBioGuideID-Amdt-001.pdf

SAMPLES	Amendments before the subcommittee	Amendments before the full committee
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-CJS- Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-CJS- Amdt-001.pdf
Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014-CJS- Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014-CJS- Amdt-001.pdf
Financial Services and General Government	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- FServices-Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- FService-Amdt-001.pdf
Legislative Branch	BILLS-112HR-SC-AP- FY2014- LegBranch-Amdt-001.pdf	BILLS-112HR-FC-AP- FY2014- LegBranch-Amdt-001.pdf

#### **Member Statements**

This convention can be used for opening statements and statements for the record.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "MState", followed by BioGuide ID of Member, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
All Meeting Types	HMTG	HMTG -112-IF03-MState-W000413-20120125.pdf

NOTE: In the committee repository on http://docs.house.gov, member statements are considered "documents in general support of the meeting" and named as such.

#### **Witness List**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by *either* committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by YYYYMMDD, followed by "SD" for support document, followed by number of the support document.

Witness List	Definition	Sample file name
Witness List	A document that contains a committee's witnesses that will appear before the committee.	HMTG-113-AG00-WList-20140731.pdf

### **Written Witness Testimony or Witness Statement**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "WState", followed by last name and first initial of the witness, followed by date of hearing YYYYMMDD.

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "WState", followed by Member BioGuide ID, followed by date of hearing YYYYMMDD.

Witness List	Definition	Sample file name
Witness Testimony or Witness Statement	A document that contains the written testimony that will be given or has been given to the committee.	HMTG-113-AG00-Wstate-LastNameF-20131014.pdf  Members: Adam Smith of Washington: HMTG-113-AG00-Wstate-S000510-20131014.pdf

#### Documents that may accompany a witness statement

This convention should be used if there are documents (graphs, presentation slides, etc) that may accompany the witness's statement that are not part of the witness statement document.

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HHRG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "WState", followed by first initial and last name of witness, followed by date of hearing YYYYMMDD, followed by SD, followed by document number as assigned by the committee.

Supporting document for witness statement	Definition	Sample file name
Supporting document for witness statement	Additional documents that support or accompanying a witness statement. This may include presentation slides, graphics, etc.	HMTG-113-AG00-Wstate-LastNameF-20131014.pdf  Members: HHRG-114-AG00-Wstate-A000374-20150218-SD001.pdf
		Non-Member Witness: HHRG-114-AG00-Wstate-DoeJ-20150218-SD002.pdf

#### **Truth in Testimony Disclosure Forms**

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HHRG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by "TTF", followed by last name and first initial of witness, followed by date of hearing YYYYMMDD.

Disclosure Forms	Definition	Sample file name
Truth in Testimony Disclosure Forms	A document that confirms that a witness will tell the truth in their statements before the committee.	HMTG-113-AG00-TTF-LastNameF-20131014.pdf  Member: HMTG-113-AG00-TTF-S000510-20131014.pdf

#### Biographies of non-governmental witnesses

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HHRG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by "BIO", followed by last name and first initial of witness, followed by date of hearing YYYYMMDD.

Witness Biography	Definition	Sample file name
Biography	A document containing the biography of a non-governmental witness before the committee.	HMTG-113-AG00-Bio-LastNameF-20131014.pdf

#### Documents in general support of the meeting

This naming convention would be used for documents that support a meeting (hearing, markup or other) where the document does not have a naming convention already described in this document.

For example, for a meeting for purposes of considering legislation (markup), the Ways and Means committee publishes the following documents (as well as other documents): 1) estimated revenue effects of the chair's amendment and 2) a section-by-section analysis. These documents would be considered general support documents of the meeting and would be assigned a document name using the convention below.

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by *either* committee code or subcommittee code, followed by meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by YYYYMMDD, followed by SD (support document), followed by number determined by committee.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Meeting for the purpose of considering legislation (Markup)	НМКР	HMKP-113-AG00-20131015-SD001.pdf
Hearings	HHRG	HHRG-113-AG00-20131015-SD002.pdf
other business meeting	HMTG	HMTG-113-AG00-20131015-SD001.pdf

#### **Documents included in a Congressional Hearing**

A hearing document is a compilation of documents that pertain to a congressional hearing. This section provides a naming convention standard for each part of the hearing record.

#### Cover Page

This should be used to name the cover page or first page of the Hearing document.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by CPg.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG -112-IF03-20120125-CPg.pdf

#### Member Roster

This should be used to name the list of committee members on the day of the hearing.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by MbrRoster.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG -112-IF03 -20120125-MbrRoster.pdf

#### **Table of Contents**

This should be used to name the table of contents.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by TOC.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG -112-IF03 -20120125-TOC.pdf

#### Member Statements

See section, "Member Statements" on page 15 for the naming convention for member statements.

#### Verbatim Transcripts

This convention should be used for a committee's transcript of the meeting. The verbatim transcript is provided by the Office of the Clerk through the Office of Official Reporters.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by Transcript.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG -112-IF03 -20120125-Transcript.pdf

#### Witness List

See Section "Witness List" on page 15 for the naming convention.

#### Witness Testimony and associated documents

This convention should be used for the individual witness testimony and documents associated with a witness. See sections "Written Witness Testimony or Witness Statement" on page 15, "Documents that may accompany a witness statement" on page 16, and "Truth in Testimony Disclosure Forms" on page 16, and "Biographies of non-governmental witnesses" on page 16 for the naming conventions.

#### Questions for the record

This should be used for questions for the official record.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by QFR, followed by the sequential number of the document.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG -112-IF03 -20120125-QFR001.pdf HHRG -112-IF03 -20120125-QFR002.pdf

#### Additional Documents included in the Hearing Document

This should be used for material that will be included in the hearing document where the document does not have a naming convention already described in this document.

CONVENTION: Meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by date of meeting YYYYMMDD, followed by a hyphen, followed by SD for support document, followed by the sequential number of the document.

Meeting Type	Meeting Type Abbreviation	Sample file name
Hearing	HHRG	HHRG-112-IF03 -20120125-SD001.pdf HHRG-112-IF03 -20120125-SD002.pdf HHRG-112-IF03 -20120125-SD003.pdf

### **Other Documents**

These documents should be printed at GPO; therefore a link should be included on the repository. If the document is being posted before processing at GPO, use the conventions below to name the document.

#### **Committee Rules**

CONVENTION: CollectionType of Committee Print (CPRT), followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by HPRT, followed by committee code, followed by description of "CommitteeRules".

SAMPLE: CPRT-113-HPRT-AG00-CommitteeRules.pdf

#### **Activity Reports**

These documents should be printed at GPO; therefore a link should be included on the repository.

If your committee is posting pre-GPO-published activity reports, use the naming convention below.

When the House Rules call for quarterly reports, use the following convention:

CONVENTION: Collection Type of CPRT, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by hrpt, followed by the word "activities", followed by the letter "Q" and the quarter number, followed by the committee code.

Sample: CPRT-113HRPT-activities-Q1-AG00.pdf

When the House Rules call for **end of the session report**, use the following convention:

CONVENTION: Collection Type of CPRT, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by hrpt, followed by the word "activities", followed by the session of Congress the report covers followed by the committee code.

Sample: CPRT-113HRPT-activities-1-AG00.pdf and CPRT-113HRPT-activities-2-AG00.pdf

#### **Committee Prints**

These documents should be printed at GPO; therefore a link should be included on the repository.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### Committee Report with no report number

These documents should be printed at GPO; therefore a link should be included on the repository. If the document is posted before processing at GPO, use the convention below to name the document.

#### CONVENTION:

• CollectionType of HRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by followed by legis-num (measure type abbreviation+number), that is being covered in the report.

#### SAMPLE:

- HRPT-112-HR123.pdf
- HRPT-112-HR123-p2.pdf for part two of a report

#### **Privileged Reports**

Under House Rule XIII, clause 5, some committees can report to the House at any time about certain matters. The reports are referred to as privileged reports or non-legislative reports. Samples of these reports include Rept.112-12 from the Budget Committee, Repts 112-193, 112-194, 112-195, and 112-203 from the Committee on Ethics.

These documents should be printed at GPO; therefore a link should be included on the repository. If the document is being posted before processing at GPO, use the convention below to name the document.

#### CONVENTION:

- CollectionType of HRPT, followed by a hyphen, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, *followed by brief description*.
  - o For reports from the Ethics Committee that are relating to matters about a Member of Congress, the brief description should use the Member's BioGuide ID.

#### SAMPLE:

- If Rept. 112-193 from the Ethics Committee was posted prior to GPO processing, the name would be this: HRPT-SO00-C000640.pdf
- If Rept. 112-12 from the Budget Committee was posted prior to GPO processing, the name could be something like this: HRPT-BU00-FY11-RevisedBudgetAllocations.pdf

#### General Documents (not associated with a meeting)

This naming convention should be used for general documents that are *not* in support of a meeting and the document does not have a naming convention already described in this document.

CONVENTION: Collection Type of HMTG, followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by a hyphen, followed by *either* committee code or subcommittee code, followed by meeting type abbreviation, followed by a hyphen, followed by YYYYMMDD, followed by SD (support document), followed by number determined by committee.

#### **CONVENTION:**

• CollectionType of Committee Print (CPRT), followed by a hyphen, followed by Congress number, followed by committee code or subcommittee code, followed by a hyphen, followed by GD (general document), followed by number determined by committee.

#### SAMPLE:

• CPRT-112-AG00-GD001.pdf (Agriculture Committee)

## **Centralized Committee Web Casting**

In 2012, the House implemented a strategy to centralize the webcasting of committee proceedings, providing for consistent public access via Congress.gov and archiving on by the Library of Congress.

BACKGROUND: The House Recording Studio (HRS) provided the Library with two feeds: (1) an archival (full SD or HD) sent to LoC's Culpeper facility and (2) a MPEG4 stream which was sent to uStream for public access. (LOC selected uStream after a competitive procurement.) UStream had several limitations which caused some committees to continue to duplicate the centralized webcasting. So, in 2015, there was a move to YouTube Channels.

Below are the guidelines and naming conventions that should be followed when creating a YouTube channel itself and when uploading video to the channel.

#### Naming the Channel itself

The channel name must contain the committee's official name. If you do not know your committee's official name, refer to the House rules or contact the Office of the Clerk.

#### Naming Convention for the Playlist

Playlists are important for organizing all hearing videos. Playlists will be organized by calendar year. Full committee and subcommittee videos can appear under the full committee playlist.

#### **CONVENTION:**

• (+ full committee id + calendar year + ) + full name of committee

#### SAMPLE:

• (HA00 2015) Committee on House Administration

#### Naming Convention for the Individual Video

The title of the individual video should be the same as it was posted on docs.house.gov. The title should also include the meeting id from the docs.house.gov meeting URL. Including these elements in the YouTube title will allow the Library of Congress to integrate the posted documents with the videos.

#### CONVENTION:

• Docs.house.gov meeting title + Meeting ID from docs.house.gov URL

#### SAMPLE:

• Hearing: House Officer Priorities for 2016 and Beyond (EventID=103550)



Figure 1: screen shot from docs.house.gov

## **Document revisions**

Document revisions are allowed. The updated document should use the previous document's naming convention followed by a hyphen, the letter U, and the number one to indicate the first update.

	Description	Sample file name
Revisions to documents	Placed at the end of any document name, this notation indicates that the document has been updated since its original posting.	-U1.pdf -U2.xml -U3.pdf  Samples: BILLS-112hr123-SUS-U1.pdf BILLS-112HRes-ORH-Rule-HR10-U2.pdf CMTG-112-HHRG-ED-201109022-U3.pdf

## **Appendix**

## **GPO Collection Types**

GPO Collection Type	Full Collection Name
BILLS	Congressional Measures (Bills, Resolutions, and Amendments)
CCAL	Congressional Calendars
CPRT	Congressional Committee Prints including Ways and Means Committee Prints
CDIR	Congressional Directory
CDOC	Congressional Documents
CHRG	Congressional Hearings including House and Senate Appropriations Hearings
PICTDIR	Congressional Pictorial Directory
CRECB	Congressional Record (Bound)
CREC	Congressional Record (Daily)
CRI	Congressional Record Index (Daily)
CRPT	Congressional Reports including Conference Reports
НОВ	History of Bills
HPRACTICE	House Practice
HMAN	House Rules and Manual
HJOURNAL	Journal of the House of Representatives
HPREC	Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives
HPREC-DESCHLERS	Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives—Deschler's
HPREC-CANNONS	Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives—Cannon's
HPREC-HINDS	Precedents of the U.S. House of Representatives—Hind's
PLAW	Public and Private Laws
USCODE	United States Code
STATUTE	United States Statutes at Large

## Additional Stages for Bills and Resolutions

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Chamber
Amendment Ordered to be Printed Senate	as	An alternate name for this version is Senate Amendment Ordered to be Printed. This version contains an amendment that has been ordered to be printed.	Senate
Additional Sponsors House	ash	An alternate name for this version is House Sponsors or Cosponsors Added or Withdrawn. This version is used to add or delete cosponsor names. When used, it most often shows numerous cosponsors being added.	House
Agreed to House	ath	An alternate name for this version is Agreed to by House. This version is a simple or concurrent resolution as agreed to in the House of Representatives.	House
Agreed to Senate	ats	An alternate name for this version is Agreed to by Senate. This version is a simple or concurrent resolution as agreed to in the Senate.	Senate
Committee Discharged House	cdh	An alternate name for this version is House Committee Discharged from Further Consideration. This version is a bill or resolution as it was when the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred has been discharged from its consideration to make it available for floor consideration.	House Senate
Committee Discharged Senate	cds	An alternate name for this version is Senate Committee Discharged from Further Consideration. This version is a bill or resolution as it was when the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred has been discharged from its consideration to make it available for floor consideration.	Senate House
Considered and Passed House	cph	An alternate name for this version is Considered and Passed by House. This version is a bill or joint resolution as considered and passed.	House
Considered and Passed Senate	cps	An alternate name for this version is Considered and Passed by Senate. This version is a bill or joint resolution as considered and passed.	Senate House
Engrossed Amendment House	eah	An alternate name for this version is Engrossed Amendment as Agreed to by House. This version is the official copy of a bill or joint resolution as passed, including the text as amended by floor action and certified by the Clerk of the House before it is sent to the Senate. Often this is the engrossment of an amendment in the nature of a substitute, an amendment which replaces the entire text of a measure. It strikes out everything after the enacting or resolving clause and inserts a version which may be somewhat, substantially, or entirely different.	House Senate
Engrossed Amendment Senate	eas	An alternate name for this version is Engrossed Amendment as Agreed to by Senate. This version is the official copy of the amendment to a bill or joint resolution as passed, including the text as amended by floor action and certified by the Secretary of the Senate before it is sent to the House. Often this is the engrossment of an amendment in the nature of a substitute, an amendment which replaces the entire text of a measure. It strikes out everything after the enacting or resolving clause and inserts a version which may be somewhat, substantially, or entirely different.	House Senate
Engrossed in House	eh	An alternate name for this version is Engrossed as Agreed to or Passed by House. This version is the official copy of the bill or joint resolution as passed, including the text as amended by floor action and certified by the Clerk of the House before it is sent to the Senate.	House
Engrossed and Deemed Passed by House	eph	This version is the official copy of the bill or joint resolution as passed and certified by the Clerk of the House before it is sent to the Senate. See H. J. RES. 280 from the 101st Congress for an example of this bill version.	House

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Chamber
Enrolled Bill	enr	An alternate name for this version is Enrolled as Agreed to or Passed by Both House and Senate. This version is the final official copy of the bill or joint resolution which both the House and the Senate have passed in identical form. After it is certified by the chief officer of the house in which it originated (the Clerk of the House or the Secretary of the Senate), then signed by the House Speaker and the Senate President Pro Tempore, the measure is sent to the President for signature.	Joint Senate House
Engrossed in Senate	es	An alternate name for this version is Engrossed as Agreed to or Passed by Senate. This version is the official copy of the bill or joint resolution as passed, including the text as amended by floor action and certified by the Secretary of the Senate before it is sent to the House.	Senate
Failed Amendment House	fah	This amendment has failed in the House.	House
Failed Passage House	fph	Bill or resolution that failed to pass the House.	House
Failed Passage Senate	fps	Bill or resolution that failed to pass the Senate.	Senate
Held at Desk House	hdh	An alternate name for this bill version is Ordered Held at House Desk after being Received from House. This version has been held at the desk in the House.	House
Held at Desk Senate	hds	An alternate name for this bill version is Ordered Held at Senate Desk after being Received from House. This version is a bill or resolution as received in the Senate from the House which has been ordered to be held at the desk, sometimes in preparation for going to conference. It is available to be called up for consideration by unanimous consent.	Senate
Introduced in House	ih	This version is a bill or resolution as formally presented by a Member of Congress to a clerk when the House is in session.	House
Indefinitely Postponed House	iph	This version is a bill or resolution as it was when consideration was suspended with no date specified for continuing its consideration.	House
Indefinitely Postponed Senate	ips	This version is a bill or resolution as it was when consideration was suspended with no date specified for continuing its consideration.	Senate House
Introduced in Senate	is	This version is a bill or resolution as formally presented by a Member of Congress to a clerk when the Senate is in session.	Senate
Laid on Table in House	lth	This version is a bill or resolution as laid on the table which disposes of it immediately, finally, and adversely via a motion without a direct vote on its substance.	House Senate
Laid on Table in Senate	Its	This version was laid on the table in the Senate. See also Laid on Table in House.	Senate House
Ordered to be Printed House	oph	This version was ordered to be printed by the House. See also Ordered to be Printed Senate.	House
Ordered to be Printed Senate	ops	This version was ordered to be printed by the Senate. For example, in the 105th Congress S. 1173 was considered at length by the Senate, returned to the Senate calendar, ordered to be printed. Then its text was inserted into its companion House bill which was passed by the Senate.	Senate
Previous Action Vitiated	pav	This version is a bill or resolution as it was when an action previously taken on it was undone or invalidated. For example in the 102nd Congress for H.R. 2321 the Senate action discharging the Energy Committee and amending and passing the bill was vitiated by unanimous consent. The bill was amended, reported, and passed anew.	Senate House
Placed on Calendar House	pch	This version is a bill or resolution as placed on one of the five House calendars. It is eligible for floor consideration, but a place on a calendar does not guarantee consideration.	House Senate

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Chamber
Placed on Calendar Senate	pcs	This version is a bill or resolution as placed on one of the two Senate calendars. It is eligible for floor consideration, but a place on a calendar does not guarantee consideration.	Senate House
Public Print	pp	Any bill from the House or Senate may be issued as a public print. If a bill is issued as a Public Print more copies will be printed than are printed for an engrossed version. Public prints also number the amendments made by the last chamber to pass it. Public Prints are typically published by the Senate to show Senate amendments to House bills. They typically contain the text of a House bill, indicating portions struck, plus Senate amendments in italics. They are routinely ordered for appropriations bills, but the Senate occasionally by unanimous consent orders public prints of other significant bills.	Senate House
Printed as Passed	pap	This version is a public print of a bill as passed. Generally, appropriation bills receive a PP designation while non-appropriation bills receive a PAP designation. See also Public Print.	Senate House
Ordered to be Printed with House Amendment	pwah	This version shows Senate amendments to a House bill. It is similar to a Public Print from the Senate, except that it does not include portions struck, only the Senate amendment in the nature of a substitute in italics. See S. 1059 from the 106th Congress for an example of this bill version on a Senate bill.	House Senate
Referred with Amendments House	rah	This version was referred with amendments to the House.	House
Referred with Amendments Senate	ras	This version was referred with amendments to the Senate.	Senate
Reference Change House	rch	An alternate name for this bill version is Referred to Different or Additional House Committee. This version is a bill or resolution as re-referred to a different or additional House committee. It may have been discharged from the committee to which it was originally referred then referred to a different committee, referred to an additional committee sequentially, or reported by the original committee then referred to an additional committee. See S. 1016 for an example of this bill version on a Senate bill.	House Senate
Reference Change Senate	rcs	An alternate name for this version is Referred to Different or Additional Senate Committee. This version is a bill or resolution as it was re-referred to a different or additional Senate committee. It may have been discharged from the committee to which it was originally referred then referred to a different committee, referred to an additional committee sequentially, or reported by the original committee then referred to an additional committee. See H.R. 1502 from the 105th Congress for an example of this bill version on a House bill.	Senate House
Received in House	rdh	An alternate name for this bill version is Received in House from Senate. This version is a bill or resolution as passed or agreed to in the Senate which has been sent to and received in the House. See the 105th Congress for an example of this bill version.	House
Received in Senate	rds	An alternate name for this bill version is Received in Senate from House. This version is a bill or resolution as it was passed or agreed to in the House which has been sent to and received in the Senate.	Senate
Re-engrossed Amendment House	reah	This version is a re-engrossed amendment in the House.	House Senate
Re-engrossed Amendment Senate	res	This version is a re-engrossed amendment in the Senate. See also Engrossed Amendment Senate.	Senate House
Re-enrolled Bill	renr	This version has been re-enrolled.	Joint House Senate

Legislative Stage	Abbreviation	Definition	Chamber
Referred in House	rfh	An alternate name for this bill version is Referred to House Committee after being Received from Senate. This version is a bill or resolution as passed or agreed to in the Senate which has been sent to, received in the House, and referred to House committee or committees.	Senate House
Referred in Senate	rfs	An alternate name for this bill version is Referred to Senate Committee after being Received from House. This version is a bill or resolution as passed or agreed to in the House which has been sent to, received in the Senate, and referred to Senate committee or committees.	House Senate
Reported in House	rh	This version is a bill or resolution as reported by the committee or one of the committees to which it was referred, including changes, if any, made in committee. The bill or resolution is usually accompanied by a committee report which describes the measure, the committee's views on it, its costs, and the changes it proposes to make in existing law. The bill or resolution is then available for floor consideration. This version occurs to both House and Senate bills.	House Senate
Referral Instructions House	rih	An alternate name for this bill version is Referred to House Committee with Instructions. This version is a bill or resolution as referred or re-referred to committee with instructions to take some action on it. Invariably in the House the instructions require the committee to report the measure forthwith with specified amendments.	House Senate
Referral Instructions Senate	ris	An alternate name for this bill version is Referred to Senate Committee with Instructions. This version is a bill or resolution as referred or re-referred to committee with instructions to take some action on it. Often in the Senate the instructions require the committee to report the measure forth with specified amendments.	Senate House
Reported in Senate	rs	This version is a bill or resolution as reported by the committee or one of the committees to which it was referred, including changes, if any, made in committee. The bill or resolution is usually accompanied by a committee report which describes the measure, the committee's views on it, its costs, and the changes it proposes to make in existing law. The bill or resolution is then available for floor consideration.	Senate House
Referred to Committee House	rth	Bill or resolution as referred or re-referred to a House committee or committees. See 104th Congress for an example of this bill version.	House
Referred to Committee Senate	rts	Bill or resolution as referred or re-referred to a Senate committee or committees.	Senate
Additional Sponsors Senate	sas	Additional sponsors have been added to this version.	Senate
Seriale			

## Member's Bioguide ID and Formal Name

For a complete list of current Members, their BioGuide ID and their formal name, please refer to the Member Data in XML file found on the Clerk's website: <a href="http://clerk.house.gov/xml/lists/MemberData.xml">http://clerk.house.gov/xml/lists/MemberData.xml</a>. The User Guide and Data Dictionary is also useful: <a href="http://clerk.house.gov/member\_info/MemberData\_UserGuide.pdf">http://clerk.house.gov/member\_info/MemberData\_UserGuide.pdf</a>

## **Committee and Subcommittee Codes**

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Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies	AP01
Defense	AP02
State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs	AP04
Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies	AP06
Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies	AP07
Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies	AP10
Homeland Security	AP15
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies	AP18
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies	AP19
Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies	AP20
Financial Services and General Government	AP23
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Committee on Armed Services	AS00
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Oversight and Investigations	AS06
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Committee on Financial Services	BA00
Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity	BA04
Oversight and Investigations	BA09
Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit	BA15

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Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology	BA19
International Monetary Policy and Trade	BA20
Committee on the Budget	BU00
Committee on Education and the Workforce	ED00
Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions	ED02
Workforce Protections	ED10
Higher Education and Workforce Training	ED13
Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education	ED14
Committee on Foreign Affairs	FA00
Asia and the Pacific	FA05
The Western Hemisphere	FA07
The Middle East and South Asia	FA13
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Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights	FA16
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Committee on Oversight and Government Reform	GO00
National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations	GO06
Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management	GO24
Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy	GO25
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Committee on House Administration	HA00
Oversight	HA06
Elections	HA08
Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe	HL00
Committee on Homeland Security	HM00
Counterterrorism and Intelligence	HM05
Transportation Security	HM07
Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies	HM08
Oversight, Investigations, and Management	HM09
Border and Maritime Security	HM11
Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications	HM12
Committee on Energy and Commerce	IF00
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Energy and Power	IF03
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Immigration Policy and Enforcement	JU01
Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law	JU03
Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security	JU08
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Intellectual Property, Competition, and the Internet	JU12
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Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation	PW07
Highways and Transit	PW12
Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management	PW13
Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials	PW14
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Legislative and Budget Process	RU02
Rules and Organization of the House	RU04
Committee on Small Business	SM00
Contracting and Workforce	SM23
Investigations, Oversight and Regulations	SM24
Agriculture, Energy and Trade	SM25
Healthcare and Technology	SM26
Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access	SM27
Committee on Ethics	SO00
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology	SY00
Research and Science Education	SY14
Space and Aeronautics	SY16
Technology and Innovation	SY19
Energy and Environment	SY20
Investigations and Oversight	SY21
Committee on Veterans' Affairs	VR00
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Oversight and Investigations	VR08
Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs	VR09
Economic Opportunity	VR10
Committee on Ways and Means	WM00
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Joint Economic Committee	EC00
Joint Committee on Taxation	IT00
Joint Committee on the Library	JL00
Joint Committee on Printing	JP00
Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction	JR00