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Summary Information

Repository	Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives and Records Administration
Creator	Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
Title	Records of the Committee on Public Works and Transportation
Date [inclusive]	1979-1982
Extent	76.0 Linear feet (circa 152 archival boxes)
Language	English

Biographical/Historical note

The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee currently has jurisdiction over all modes of transportation: aviation, maritime and waterborne transportation, roads, bridges, mass transit, and railroads. But the Committee has jurisdiction over other aspects of our national infrastructure, such as clean water and waste water management, the transport of resources by pipeline, flood damage reduction, the economic development of depressed rural and urban areas, disaster preparedness and response, activities of the Army Corps of Engineers and the various missions of the Coast Guard. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has formerly been known as the Committee on Public Works and Transportation, and the Committee on Public Works between 1947 and 1968.

Public Works and Transportation, 96th Congress

Files contain bill files, public buildings and grounds files, executive communications, petitions and memorials, a large series of meeting transcript files for all full committee and subcommittee meetings, printed hearings, and miscellaneous subject files. Subjects of note are the completion of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, airplane cabin safety, and federal water pollution control.

Arrangement note

Files are arranged into bill files, official communications, meeting files, hearings, and subcommittee files.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Rule VII

The records are governed by Rule VII(3)b of the House Rules: (b) (1) A record shall immediately be made available if it was previously made available for public use by the House or a committee or a subcommittee. (2) An investigative record that contains personal data relating to a specific living person (the disclosure of which would be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), an administrative record relating to personnel, or a record relating to a hearing that was closed under clause 2(g)(2) of rule XI shall be made available if it has been in existence for 50 years. (3) A record for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the House shall be made available in accordance with that order. Except as otherwise provided by order of the House, a record of a committee for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the committee (entered during the Congress in which the record is made or acquired by the committee) shall be made available in accordance with the order of the committee. (4) A record (other than a record referred to in subparagraph (1), (2), or (3)) shall be made available if it has been in existence for 30 years.

Collection Inventory

Bill files (43 archival boxes)

Arrangement note

Arranged by bill number.

Scope and Contents note

House and Senate bills.

Hearings (5 archival boxes)

Arrangement note

Arranged chronologically.

Scope and Contents note

Printed hearings and committee prints for full committee and subcommittees.

Official communications (32 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Petitions and memorials, public grounds and buildings, executive communications, presidential messages.

Meeting files

Meeting files (40 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Meeting transcripts for all meetings held by the full committee and subcommittee during the 96th Congress.

Arrangement note

Arranged chronologically.

Subcommittee on Aviation (1981-1982)

Scope and Contents note

Chronological and subject files from 1981-1982.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Review (3 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Printed material relating to hearings held by the subcommittee and organizational meeting materials.

Subcommittee on Surface Transportation (5 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Materials related to the estimate for the completing the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment (11 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Subject files, including four volumes on oil spill liability.