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This report, prepared at the request of Hon. Vern Lisle, Iowa State Representative from Page County, who served as Chairman of the House Committee on Rules in the Fifty-fifth General Assembly, concerns various aspects of legislative committees.

The work of the legislature of Iowa is largely done by committees. Similarly, in other American legislative bodies, both state and national, committees have come to play an ever more important role in the law making process.

In the Iowa legislature the number and type of committees has varied from session to session. There is inserted with this report a listing of the committees appointed to serve in the sessions from 1917 to 1953 in the Iowa House of Representatives and the Iowa Senate. This listing shows how committees have evolved to the last session of the General Assembly. It is to be noted that many of the committees once appointed to deal with special problems have passed out of existence. Others have had long lives and are likely to continue to be regarded as necessary.

There can be no simple answer to the question of what is an "ideal" number of committees. The number must be determined largely in terms of the kinds of problems confronting the legislature, and in a dynamic society the matter should be left elastic in the interests of good legislation.

In the 1953 session of the Iowa General Assembly 995 bills and resolutions were introduced. Of this number 298 passed both houses (2 bills were vetoed by the Governor) for a total of 296 enactments.

Members of the House of Representatives individually introduced 367 measures and House Committees introduced 170 measures. Of these, 80 measures introduced by individual Representatives were passed by both houses and 81 House Committee measures were similarly passed for a total of 161.

In the Senate, Committees introduced 164 measures and individual Senators introduced 294. Of these measures, 73 introduced by Committees were passed by both houses and 64 introduced by individual Senators were passed for a total of 137.

The work load of committees varies from session to session. Some committees, obviously, have many more measures sent to them for consideration than others, and some committees themselves prepare for introduction more measures than others. Any attempt to determine the work load of committees is further complicated by the nature of legislation itself. Some bills are obviously more controversial than others. Some bills are more complicated than others. Obviously, a qualitative determination of committee work load is a

practical impossibility, but a careful check of the Journals does provide a basis for a purely quantitative measure of committee work loads. Such a check has been made and its results are presented in the following paragraphs. Even from the standpoint of a quantitative measure it is obvious that the committees are required to carry an enormous burden which, of course, becomes the ultimate burden of each legislator as a member of various committees.

In the 1953 session of the General Assembly in Iowa, House Committees had referred to them 541 measures and authored 170 for a total of 711 committee considered measures. Table I shows the percentage of this total work load that fell to each committee.

In the Senate, committees received by referral 462 measures in addition to preparing 164 measures for introduction. Table II shows the percentage of this total business that fell to each committee.

Tables I and II point up the varying amount of committee business in terms of the work assigned to them in one session, and, depending upon the issues confronting the legislature, the total load may vary considerably from session to session.

By this same token, the total work load of an individual legislator varies considerable depending upon the committees to which he may be assigned. In the 1953 session of the House, one Representative was on committees that considered (including the committee measures drafted by committees of which he was a member) 58 measures, while another member of the House similarly was on committees that considered 235 pieces of legislation.

The Representative at the median point in this range in this calculation similarly was involved in the consideration of 150 measures as a member of committees.

In the Senate the range was from a 48 measure work load for one Senator to a 284 measure work load for another and the Senator at the median point of the range was on committees considering 156 measures.

In his request for this report, Mr. Lisle asked that the rules of the legislatures be reviewed with a view to answering this specific question:

1. In what manner are committees appointed in the state legislatures of the 48 states?

Table III lists the manner in which committee appointments are made in the Houses of Representatives and Table IV lists the manner in which committees are appointed in the State Senates.

Table I

Measures Assigned to and/or Prepared by House of Representatives Standing Committees,
Fifty-fifth General Assembly - 1953

Name of Committee	Number of Committee Measures Introduced by Committee	Number of Referrals of Measures to Committee	Total of Referrals to and Measures Introduced by Committee (Combined Columns I and II)	Percent of Total Referrals and Committee Introduced Measures considered
Aeronautics	3	0	3	.42
Agriculture I	3	10	13	1.83
Agriculture II and Horticulture	1	8	9	1.27
Appropriations	26	22	48	6.75
Banks, Building and Loan	4	5	9	1.27
Board of Control	4	9	13	1.83
Cities and Towns	30	30	60	8.44
Claims	0	3	3	.42
Compensation of Public Officers and Employees	2	29	31	4.36
Conservation, Drainage and Flood Control	2	11	13	1.83
Consolidation and Coordination of State Government	0	2	2	.28
Constitutional Amendments	0	6	6	.84
County and Township Affairs	1	26	27	3.80
Dairy and Food	1	20	21	2.95
Departmental Affairs	1	19	20	2.81
Elections, Political and				
Judicial Districts	2	14	16	2.25
Fish and Game	1	13	14	1.97
Insurance	3	15	18	2.53
Judiciary I	17	46	63	8.86

Table I (continued)

Name of Committee	Number of Committee Measures Introduced by Committee	Number of Referrals of Measures to Committee	Total of Referrals to and Measures Introduced by Committee (Combined Columns I and II)	Percent of Total Referrals and Committee Introduced Measures considered
Judiciary II	21	56	77	10.83
Labor	0	12	12	1.69
Military and Veterans Affairs	7	4	11	1.55
Mines and Mining	2	0	2	.28
Motor Vehicles, Commerce and Trade	7	32	39	5.49
Police Regulation, Suppression of Crime and Intemperance	1	18	19	2.67
Printing	10	8	18	2.53
Private Corporations	0	6	6	.84
Public Health and Pharmacy	1	15	16	2.25
Public Lands and Buildings	1	8	9	1.27
Public Utilities, Telephone, Telegraph and Express	1	0	1	.14
Railroads	0	4	4	.56
Roads and Highways	5	13	18	2.53
Schools, Libraries, State Educational Institutions	2	21	23	3.23
Social Security	1	20	21	2.95
Tax Revision	7	21	28	3.94
Ways and Means	3	15	18	2.53
Totals	170	541	711	99.99

Table II

Measures Assigned to and/or Prepared by Senate Standing Committees,
Fifty-fifth General Assembly - 1953

Name of Committee	Number of Committee Measures Introduced by Committee	Number of Referrals of Measures to Committee	Total of Referrals to and Measures Introduced by Committee (Combined Columns I and II)	Percent of Total Referrals and Committee Introduced Measures considered
Aeronautics	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	3	33	36	5.75
Appropriations	7	63	70	11.18
Banks, Building and Loan	3	2	5	.80
Board of Control	4	8	12	1.92
Cities and Towns	25	29	54	8.63
Claims	13	0	13	2.08
Compensation of Public Officers and Employees	1	19	20	3.19
Conservation	4	8	12	1.92
Election Reform	1	9	10	1.60
Governmental Affairs	1	17	18	2.88
Highways	5	10	15	2.40
Insurance	8	12	20	3.19
Interstate Cooperation	0	0	0	0
Iowa Development	0	1	1	.16
Judiciary I	35	51	86	13.74
Judiciary II	15	72	87	13.90
Labor	0	2	2	.32
Manufacturing, Commerce and Trade	1	13	14	2.24
Military Affairs	5	8	13	2.08

Table II (continued)

Name of Committee	Number of Committee Measures Introduced by Committee	Number of Referrals of Measures to Committee	Total of Referrals to and Measures Introduced by Committee (Combined Columns I and II)	Percent of Total Referrals and Committee Introduced Measures considered
Mines and Mining	2	1	3	.48
Motor Vehicles	8	20	28	4.47
Printing	10	5	15	2.40
Private Corporations	1	0	1	.16
Public Health	0	7	7	1.12
Public Lands and Buildings	1	8	9	1.44
Public Libraries	0	1	1	.16
Public Utilities	1	4	5	.80
Railroads	0	4	4	.64
Schools and Educational Institutions	3	23	26	4.15
Social Security	0	22	22	3.51
Tax Revision	0	0	0	0
Ways and Means	7	10	17	2.72
Totals	164	462	626	100.03

The Speaker is responsible for committee appointments according to the rules of almost all of the State Houses of Representatives. Committees on Committees are the appointing agents in the House in Kentucky, Nebraska (Unicameral), and Oklahoma. There are many variations in both systems of appointment and these do not lend themselves to any simple type of summary.

In twenty-six State Senates appointments are made by the President (with varying degrees of authority). In five states the task is delegated to the President Pro-Tempore. Committees made appointments in nine State Senates (ten, if Nebraska's Unicameral legislature is included here). In the remaining seven states committees are elected by the Senate.

Thus an even wider variety of systems for appointment prevails among the Senates of the States than among their Houses of Representatives.

In preparing this report of the rules of the various state legislatures every effort has been made to include all rules that bear upon the appointing process including all limitations upon the appointing powers; the appointment of committee chairmen; the method of selection of Committees on Committees and so forth. For this reason and because the rules provided in Tables III and IV do not lend themselves to summarization, it is suggested for maximum usefulness that these Tables be read in their entirety.

In accordance with Mr. Lisle's request, no recommendations are here made concerning committee appointments. With the thought that this information may prove valuable to the members of the 1955 Iowa General Assembly, the Institute is pleased to comply with Mr. Lisle's request that copies of this report be provided to all Iowa legislators.

TABLE III

HOUSE RULES CONCERNING
COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES
IN THE LEGISLATURES OF THE 48 STATES

House Rules Concerning Committee Appointments

Alabama

Rule 37. "The Speaker shall appoint all committees, unless otherwise directed by the House, and he may designate who shall be chairmen and vice-chairmen."

Rule 38. "In appointing a committee from the several subdivisions of the State the Speaker shall designate who shall be chairman of such committee."

Rule 48. "In the appointment of a committee to visit any public institution of the State no Representative who is a resident of the county in which such institution is located or of an adjoining county, shall be appointed to such committee."

Arizona

Rule VII Section 3. "All committees except such as the House shall select shall be appointed by the Speaker."

Arkansas

Rule IX, Section 1. "At the commencement of each session, the Speaker shall appoint such standing committees as he shall deem necessary. Such committees shall consist of as many members as in the judgment of the Speaker may be required to function properly. In the event more than fifteen members are assigned to any specific committee then in that event eight members shall constitute a quorum and shall be empowered to perform all duties required. The Speaker is empowered to add additional members to committees at any time during the session."

Rule IX, Section 2. "No member shall be assigned to more than ten (10) Standing Committees, except by unanimous consent of the House, in which case he may be assigned by the Speaker to additional committees."

Rule IX Section 3. "The Committee on Legislative Efficiency shall determine what Committees may require the services of a Clerk."

Rule IX, Section 5. "Any member may excuse himself from service on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he then is a member of three other committees."

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Rule IX, Section 7. "The Speaker shall appoint all select and conference committees which shall be ordered by the House from time to time."

Rule IX, Section 9. "All vacancies in standing committees of the House shall be filled by the Speaker."

Rule II, Section 1. "Upon the convening of the House it shall decide what positions shall be filled by open election in the House and the Speaker may thereupon appoint a standing committee to be known as the Committee on Legislative Efficiency, who shall select and appoint the remaining employees, not otherwise appointed and said committee, together with the Speaker shall have the power to discharge any employee for incompetency, inefficiency or other good cause and fill any vacancies. No additional employees shall ever be put on the pay roll by resolution or otherwise than provided herein."

California

Rule 10. "The Speaker shall possess the powers and perform the duties prescribed:....

"(e) To appoint the membership of all standing and special committees, and their respective chairmen and vice chairmen....

"(l) The Speaker shall be ex officio member of all Assembly, joint, and interim committees with all of the rights and privileges of such membership, except the right to vote. In counting, a quorum of any such committees, the Speaker shall not be counted as a member...."

Rule 12. "The duties of the Chief Clerk shall be as follows:....

"(h) Before the commencement of any regular session of the Legislature the Chief Clerk of the Assembly shall mail to each member a blank form on which the member may indicate his committee preferences. Accompanying such blank shall be mailed a stamped envelope addressed to the Chief Clerk of the assembly for returning such form. After their receipt, all such communications shall be delivered to the Chairman of the Interim Committee on Legislative Organization, if such a committee has been created, who shall deliver them to the Speaker immediately upon the organization of the Assembly...."

Colorado

Rule 3. "The powers and duties of the Speaker:....

"(i) He shall appoint all committees whether standing, joint, or special....

"(p) He shall be a member of the Committee on Rules."

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Rule 25, Section 2. "Such committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the First Regular Session of the General Assembly convening after a general election and shall remain constituted as such standing committees until the first regular session of the General Assembly convening after the next ensuing general election."

Rule 25, Section 3. "The first member appointed shall be the Chairman and the second member appointed shall be the Vice-Chairman, respectively, of each standing committee."

Rule 25, Section 5. "The House Services Committee shall consist of 7 members. It shall authorize and review all expenditures for equipment, supplies and services necessary for the efficient conduct of the business of the House and shall employ such officers and employees of the House as may be authorized and assign them to their duties, filling any vacancies that may occur from time to time. It shall have full power to summarily remove any officer or employee of the House, but shall be excused from making reports thereon unless requested by some member. It shall attend to the printing, revision, engrossment and enrollment of all bills, as directed by the House and its standing committees, reporting thereon from time to time as occasion requires."

Rule 25, Section 6. "The Interstate Co-operation Committee shall consist of 5 members, and all other committees shall consist of not less than 11 nor more than 19 members, as determined by the Speaker."

Connecticut

Rule 23. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House. The member first named shall be chairman."

Rule 24. "No member shall serve on any committee while considering any questions involving his private right distinct from the public interest."

Rule 25. "The majority and minority leaders shall be ex-officio members of all committees without the right to vote, except that they shall have the right to vote in those committees to which they are appointed members by the Speaker. The majority leader shall be appointed by the Speaker. The minority leader shall be elected by the members of the minority party."

Delaware

Rule 11. "He (the Speaker) shall appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the House."

Florida

Rule 62. "The following Standing Committees of the House shall be appointed by the Speaker at the commencement of the session of the Legislature, or as soon thereafter as practicable:

"Each of said committees shall consist of not less than 5 nor more than 21 members of the House, one of whom shall be designated by the Speaker as Chairman and another as Vice-Chairman. . . ."

Rule 32. "No member living in any county in which any State institution is located shall be appointed a member of any select committee to visit such institution for the purpose of investigating and reporting its condition and needs."

Rule 36. "No member shall be permitted to vote, or to serve on any committee, on any question where his private rights are immediately concerned, distinct from public interest."

Georgia

Rule 4. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise ordered by the House."

Rule 174. "After the announcement of the Standing Committee no other members shall be placed thereon, except when members have been elected to fill vacancies, caused by death or otherwise, the Speaker may assign said members to such committees as he may see fit, and he may fill any vacancy in chairmanships."

Rule 195. "No committee of the House shall consist of more than twenty-five members. This rule, however, shall not apply to the following committees: Amendments to the Constitution No. 1; Amendments to the Constitution No. 2; Appropriations; Commerce; Counties and County Matters; Education No. 1; Education No. 2; Georgia State Sanitarium; General Agriculture No. 1; General Agriculture No. 2; General Judiciary No. 1; General Judiciary No. 2; Historical Research; Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment; Motor Vehicles; Municipal Government; Penitentiary; Public Highways No. 1; Public Highways No. 2; Public Utilities; State Prison Farm; University System of Georgia; Ways and Means; Western and Atlantic Railroad."

Rule 196. ". . . . The Chairman and Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Appropriations shall be ex-officio members of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Chairman and Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Ways and Means shall be ex-officio members of the Committee on Appropriations."

Idaho

Rule 69. "Standing Committee. -- Standing committees shall be appointed by the Speaker. . . ."

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Rule 18. "Chairman of Committee. -- The first named member of each committee shall be the chairman, and in his absence, or having been excused by the House, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen, shall act as chairman."

Illinois

Rule 13. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise especially directed by the House. The Speaker, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Majority Whip and Minority Whip, shall be ex-officio members of each committee."

Rule 14. "No member, other than the Speaker, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Majority Whip and Minority Whip, shall be appointed to serve on more than 5 standing committees."

Indiana

Rule 2. "The Speaker shall have general direction of the hall. He may name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond one day. He shall have the right to name any member to bear messages to the Senate, and to appoint all committees, unless otherwise specially directed by the House, in which case they shall be appointed by vote."

IOWA

Rule 5. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise especially directed by the House."

Kansas

Rule 10. "Duties. -- The speaker shall possess the powers and perform the duties herein prescribed, namely:...

"(3). To appoint all committees, except when the House shall otherwise direct. All appointments shall be announced in open session...."

Rule 20. "No member shall be eligible to the Committee on Ways and Means who resides in the county where a state institution is located."

Kentucky

Rule 65. "The following shall be the standing committees of the House. There shall be a Committee on Committees composed of the Speaker of the

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House, the Majority Caucus Chairman and the Majority Floor Leader of the House, and the majority of said Committee shall have full power to act on all matters referred to said Committee either by these rules or by the action of the House. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Committees to refer all bills and joint and concurrent resolutions carrying the force and effect of law, to the proper committee on the legislative day of or on the first legislative day after the introduction of such bill or resolution on which the House is in session. Any other type of measure not covered by these rules may, at the discretion of the Speaker, be referred to an appropriate committee.

"The Committee on Committees shall have supervision and control over all employees of the House, whether elected by the House or appointed by the Committee on Committees or otherwise, and the Committee on Committees shall see that they perform all of their duties to the House and the members thereof. The Committee on Committees is empowered to discharge any or all of said employees and officers except the constitutional officers of the House. The Committee on Committees shall appoint the members of all other standing and special committees and shall fill any vacancies thereon...."

Louisiana

Rule 7. "Appointments. -- All standing committees shall be appointed by the Speaker. The House may by resolution, provide for and select special committees."

Rule 36. "Investigating Committee. -- If a committee on any public interest shall deem it necessary to visit any public place within its charge and purview and shall have obtained the permission of the House to so visit and inspect, the said committee shall appoint from its membership a sub-committee consisting of not more than three persons, to perform said visiting and inspecting duty, at the expense of the State, which sub-committee, shall report the results of its investigation to the committee, who shall report to the House. In the appointment of a committee to visit any public institution of the State no representative who is a resident of the parish in which such institution is located shall be appointed to such committee."

Maine

Rule 1. "It shall be the duty of the Speaker...

"To name the members who are to serve on committees, unless the House otherwise direct...."

Rule 9. "In all elections by ballot, of committees of the House, the persons having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. In case

two or more persons receive the same number of votes, the committee by a majority of their members shall elect a chairman."

Maryland

Rule 22. "Appointment. All Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House. The Speaker shall designate a chairman and a vice-chairman for each committee which he appoints. The vice-chairman shall act in the place of the chairman, during the latter's absence."

Massachusetts

Rule 21. "Unless other provision is made in any case, all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman."

Rule 22. "In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman."

Rule 23. "No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, or chairman of more than one."

Rule 24. "No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest."

Michigan

Rule 6. "He (the Speaker) shall appoint all committees, except where the House shall otherwise order. He shall appoint employees of the House, except as otherwise provided, as follows: 1 law clerk to the judiciary committee who may assist other committees as time permits, 1 statistician to the Ways and Means Committee, 1 secretary to the Speaker, such committee clerks as in the judgment of the Speaker are necessary, 5 assistant sergeants at arms, 1 chief and 4 assistant janitors and 1 janitress, 2 cloak room keepers, 2 document room keepers, and 7 pages who shall be subject to his orders and to summary removal by him on failure to properly perform the duties assigned them, the reason for such removal to be reported forthwith to the House. The compensation of all officers and employees of the House shall be fixed by resolution adopted by a majority vote at each regular session, and shall be in effect until acted upon at the next regular session. He shall designate one of the pages to act as the Speaker's messenger, and one page to act as press-messenger. All appointments made by the Speaker shall be announced to the House and entered upon the Journal. The Speaker shall appoint a committee consisting of three regular correspondents of daily papers, which committee shall pass upon the credentials of all representatives of the press and no correspondent shall be entitled to a

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press desk that is not approved by such committee or the House. The Speaker shall assign such representatives of the press desks in the House chamber and provide each correspondent with a card of admission showing his desk number and signed by the Speaker. Persons desiring to be accredited representatives of the press at the sessions of the House shall file written application with the Speaker, who shall refer them to the committee when named. The application shall state in writing the names of all newspapers or publications or news associations by which they are employed, and no newspaper shall be assigned more than one desk."

Rule 32. "The first named member of any committee shall be the chairman, and the second named member shall be the vice-chairman, unless the committee at its first duly called meeting by a majority of its number elect a chairman and a vice-chairman. When a committee shall elect a chairman, it shall make a report of such election to the House."

Minnesota

Rule 50. "Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker...."

Mississippi

Rule 9. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise specially directed by the House."

Rule 54. "The first member named on a committee shall be its chairman and the second member named shall be its vice-chairman. There shall be no further rank on committees, the remaining members being listed thereon in alphabetical order. Each committee shall, after its organization, immediately determine by a majority vote, what shall constitute a sufficient quorum for it to proceed to business, which quorum shall be not less than a majority of the committee, and shall report said action to the clerk of the House."

Missouri

Rule 36. "Committees, By Whom Appointed.--All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker who, when appointing a committee, shall designate a member thereof as chairman, and then designate another member as vice-chairman. The vice-chairman shall preside at all committee meetings in the absence of the chairman. The Speaker of the House, the Speaker Pro-Tem. of the House, and the Majority Floor Leader shall be ex-officio members of all committees of the House."

Rule 44. "Attendance.--The secretary of each committee shall keep a

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record of the attendance at each committee meeting in the minutes book of the committee, which shall be available to the Speaker on request. Any member of a committee absent, without good cause, from three consecutive meetings of the committee, as shown by the records of the committee, may be dropped therefrom by a minute to that effect entered into the House Journal by the Speaker. The roll shall be called by the chairman or secretary of a committee at each meeting."

Rule 52. "Appointment of Committee Clerks. -- It shall be the duty of the Chairman of the Employees and Clerical Force to assign such Clerks to the respective Committee as may be necessary."

Montana

Rule 9. "Committees. -- The Committee on Rules and Joint Rules shall consist of the Speaker and 4 members to be by him appointed.

The Speaker shall appoint the following standing committees, to consist of such number of members, not exceeding 15, except appropriations committee, as he may elect, unless otherwise specially ordered by the House....

"2. He shall also appoint all Select Committees, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

"3. The first named member of each committee shall be the Chairman; and in his absence, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen."

Nebraska (Unicameral)

Rule 5, Section 1. "Committee on Committees. At the commencement of each session, the Legislature shall elect a Committee on Committees to consist of thirteen members, one at large, who shall be chairman, and three from each congressional district to be nominated by the members residing therein."

Rule 5, Section 3. "Committee on Committees Shall Select Other Committees. The Committee on Committees shall select, aside from the standing committees of the Legislature, all other committees, except where otherwise ordered by the Legislature. No investigating committee of the Legislature shall be created except by resolution which shall set forth with supporting statements, the reasons for and purposes of the investigation, and no committee thus established shall function except during the interim between legislative sessions."

Rule 5, Section 4. "Committee on Committees Shall Arrange and Publish Schedules of Standing Committee Hearings. The Committee on Committees shall arrange and publish a schedule of regular standing committee meetings, in such manner as to avoid, as far as possible, conflicts in the assignment of members to such committees, and shall cause a copy of such schedule to be

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posted in some conspicuous place in the capitol near the legislative chamber."

Rule 5, Section 9. "Committee on Order and Arrangement: Members, Duties. The Committee on Order and Arrangement shall consist of the chairmen of the committees before whom regularly referred bills and resolutions have public hearings, the Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment and Review and the Chairman of the Committee on Committees. The Chairman of the Committee on Committees shall be the chairman of said committee. It shall be the duty of this committee beginning the twenty-first legislative day to report to the Legislature the order in which bills and resolutions shall be considered on general file. The order so reported shall become effective only upon approval of the Legislature. The committee shall meet subject to call by the Chairman."

Rule 6, Section 1. "Vice Chairmen. Each standing committee shall elect from its membership a vice chairman to serve in the absence of the chairman."

Rule 14, Section 2. "Nominations by Governor Referred to Committee on Committees. All nominations made to the Legislature, by the Governor, requiring confirmation by the Legislature, shall be referred to the Committee on Committees, and the same procedure shall be followed as governs the handling of other matters before standing committees, unless the Legislature shall otherwise direct by unanimous vote."

Nevada

Rule 70. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House."

New Hampshire

Rule 5. "Speaker Duty. -- All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise directed by the House."

Rule 32. "Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he is then a member of two other committees which have not reported."

Rule 38. "The first named member of any committee appointed by the Speaker of the House shall be chairman; and in case of his absence or being excused by the House, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen, unless the committee by a majority of their number elect a chairman...."

Rule 39. "Whenever it shall not be convenient for any standing committee to attend properly, to all the business which may be properly referred to it, the Speaker may, on a vote of the House to that effect, appoint an additional com-

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mittee on the same subject, to consist of the same number of members as the original committee, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all matters in relation to that subject which shall be referred to it by the House, and to report thereon. "

Rule 56. "The elective and appointive non-member officers and attaches of the House shall be under the direction of the Speaker, who shall define the duties not fixed by statute or otherwise ordered by the House. Their compensation, when not fixed by statute or otherwise ordered by the House, shall be determined by the Committee on Appropriations.

New Jersey

Rule 8. "All Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the General Assembly. "

New Mexico

Rule 9. "The Speaker shall appoint all committees created by the House except those where the members are designated in the motion creating them, and all appointments shall be announced in open session, and made a matter of record in the Journal. Once appointed, however, committee members, committee chairmen, House employees, administrative assistants and House officials shall not be removed except by a two-thirds vote of the House. "

Rule 37. "The Speaker shall designate the chairman when the committee is appointed and if the chairman be absent at any meeting, the second member named in such committee shall act as chairman at the meeting. "

New York

Rule 1. "The Speaker shall take the chair each day at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned. He shall call to order and, except in the absence of a quorum, shall proceed to business in the manner prescribed by these rules. He shall possess the powers and perform the duties herein prescribed, viz....

"3. He shall appoint all committees, except where the House shall otherwise order....

"9. The Speaker shall appoint a majority leader, who shall be a member of the Committee on Rules, and who, together with the recognized leader of the minority, shall be a member ex-officio of all other committees of the House, and entitled to the same rights and privileges as other members of said committee except the right to vote. "

North Carolina

Rule 7. "All Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially ordered by the House."

Rule 39. "Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee if he is a member of two standing committees."

Rule 66. "The Chairman of each of the following committees: Agriculture, Appropriations, Banks and Banking, Conservation and Development, Constitutional Amendments, Counties, Cities and Towns, Courts and Judicial Districts, Education, Elections and Election Laws, Employment Security, Finance, Health, Higher Education, Insurance, Judiciary No. 1, and Judiciary No. 2, Local Government, Manufacturers and Labor, Mental Institutions, Military Affairs, Propositions and Grievances, Public Utilities, Public Welfare, Roads and Highway Safety, Rules, Salaries and Fees, Senatorial Districts, Veterans Legislation and Wildlife Resources may each appoint a clerk to the said Committee. The Leader of the minority party may be assigned a committee clerk with the approval of the Speaker. All Committee Clerks heretofore provided for are to be appointed by and with the approval of the Speaker. With the exception of the Clerks appointed to the Appropriations and Finance, the Clerks to all the other above named committees, when not on duty with their specific committee shall report to and be under the supervision of the Principal Clerk of the House for assignment to special duty with other committees and to serve the convenience of the members of the House."

North Dakota

Rule 7. "Duties of the Speaker...."

"c. He shall appoint all House Committees, except when otherwise provided by vote of the House."

Rule 41. "...No member shall be appointed to serve on more than four standing committees."

Rule 75. "On all committees the first named member shall be the chairman, and, in his absence or being excused by the House, the next member named, and so on as often as the case shall happen, shall act as chairman."

Ohio

Rule 12. "(Appointment of Committees). The speaker shall appoint all committees unless it shall be otherwise ordered by the House, in which case they shall be appointed by vote of the House. The Speaker shall be Chairman of the committee on Rules."

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Rule 22. "(Special Committees). Special committees for the consideration of special measures or matters or the performance of special functions may be appointed by the Speaker."

Oklahoma

Rule 14. "The Speaker shall appoint such special committees as he or the House shall determine to be necessary, and shall appoint the Employment Committee, House Administration Committee, Rules and Procedures Committee, Steering Committee and a Committee on Committees, consisting of twenty-one members of the Majority Party. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Committees to select the members of the Majority Party to serve on other standing committees and to appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman thereof, and to fill all vacancies on such committees as they occur. Representation of Minority Party on all standing committees shall be at the same ratio that the Minority Membership of the House bears to the total membership of the House and the appointments of minority members to all standing committees shall be made by the Minority Caucus.

"The appointment of all standing committees, either by the Speaker or by the Committee on Committees, shall be confirmed by the House."

Rule 8. "The Speaker shall have general control of the Chamber of the House, the galleries pertaining thereto, the corridors and the passages of the House Chamber and entrances thereto, and shall assign the committee rooms to the various committees.

"He shall be ex-officio member of all standing committees."

Oregon

Rule 7. "All standing and all special Committees of the house shall be named by the speaker of the house, unless otherwise ordered by the house, and the first named shall be the chairman thereof, and the second named shall be the vice chairman."

Rule 3. "The rooms and passage set apart for the use of the House of Representatives shall be under the control and direction of the speaker of the house and he shall have general control and direction of the desk clerks of the house and all other employees while on the floor of the house. The speaker shall have the right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair but substitution will not extend beyond an adjournment. He shall have the right to name any member to bear messages to the senate and appoint all committees, subject to additional members, to be added by the speaker."

Rule 56. "In addition to the officers provided by law, the speaker shall

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appoint such other employees as he shall deem necessary. The compensation for the additional other employees which is not herein specifically provided for, shall be as fixed by the speaker and the committee on rules and resolutions. "

Pennsylvania

Rule 5. "He (the Speaker) shall appoint the Members of Select and Conference Committees, unless otherwise ordered by the House. "

Rhode Island

Rule 4. "He (the Speaker) shall appoint all committees. "

Rule 33. "Select committees shall consist of three members one of whom shall be of the minority party unless otherwise ordered by the house. "

Rule 41. "Unless otherwise specified by the speaker, the first named of each committee appointment shall be the chairman; the second named of each committee appointment shall be the vice-chairman. "

Rule 42. "All vacancies occurring in any committee after they have once been named shall be filled by the speaker. "

South Carolina

Rule 16. "All Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House, in which case they shall be elected by a viva voce vote.

"The Speaker, in appointing the several Committees, shall name the members constituting said Committees in alphabetical order, and the Chairman shall be elected by the several Committees, and the Committee may at its discretion elect a Vice-Chairman. "

Rule 19. "After a Committee has been appointed no addition to it or change shall be made, on motion, except to fill a vacancy or excuse a member. Provided, That in filling a vacancy on any Committee, the assignment of any member may be changed from another Committee to fill such vacancy. "

South Dakota

Rule , p. 87. "The Presiding officer of the House shall at each biennial session appoint the standing committees.... "

Tennessee

Rule 7. "He (the Speaker) shall appoint all committees, unless otherwise directed by the House, in which case they shall be appointed by a "viva voce" vote of the House; and if, upon the first ballot, there be no election, a second ballot shall be taken, in which a plurality of votes shall elect."

Rule 11. "The Speaker is authorized to appoint a chairman and secretary of each of the standing committees of the House and shall appoint a Door Keeper whose duty shall be to prevent entrance to the floor of the House of any person or persons except members and State Senators and those invited by the Speaker."

Rule 67. "No special committee shall be appointed for any purpose when there is a standing committee on the same subject."

Texas

Rule 1, Section 8. "All committees and the chairmen of same shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specifically directed by the House, in which case they shall be elected; and, if, upon such vote the number required shall not be elected by a majority of the votes given, the House shall proceed to a second vote in which a plurality shall prevail; and in case a greater number than that required to compose or complete a committee shall have an equal number of votes, the House shall take another vote."

Utah

Rule 10. "Duties of the Speaker. It shall be the general duty of the Speaker:...

(k) To name the members of committees when directed to do so in any particular case, or when it is a part of his general duty by the rules...." (Rule 70 provides that the Speaker shall appoint all standing committees).

Vermont

Rule I, Section 6. "As soon as may be after the beginning of the session the Speaker shall appoint the members on the part of the House of the joint standing committee on Joint Rules and the standing committees of the House, but any appointment so made may, on motion of a member, be overruled by the House, in which case the House shall on nomination of a member immediately fill the vacancy."

Rule I, Section 4. "...the House shall, on the nomination of the Speaker, appoint a committee consisting of three members, from each county, to join such committee as the Senate appoints to canvass votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Treasurer, Secretary of State, Auditor of Accounts, and

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Attorney General. And upon the second day of the session the House shall in like manner appoint the other canvassing committee required by the Joint Rules."

Rule III, Section 12. "A member shall be excused from service on any committee upon his request, if at the time of his appointment he is a member of two other committees."

Rule IV, Section 18. "Whenever the House orders the appointment of a committee the Speaker shall be entitled to one recess of the House in which to make the appointment."

Rule V, Section 26. "The member first named on each committee shall be chairman thereof and, in the event of the death or resignation of such Chairman, the member next in rank in the order named shall become Chairman, unless and until the Speaker shall appoint a new Chairman at the regular or any special session. Each committee, at its first meeting, shall choose a Clerk from its members."

Virginia

Rule 1, Section 15. "All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise specially directed by the House, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot, and a plurality of votes shall prevail. The first named member of any committee shall be the chairman, and if he be absent or be excused by the House, one of the members shall act as chairman, taking precedence in the order named, unless the committee elects a chairman."

Rule 1, Section 20. "Any committee of the House may, at its discretion, confer with a committee of the Senate having under consideration the same subject. No select committee shall be appointed to consider any subject falling properly within the province of a standing committee."

Rule 1, Section 21. "After the minimum number required by any committee has been appointed, the Speaker may, from time to time, at his discretion, fill it up to the maximum allowed by the rules, which shall in no case be exceeded."

Washington

Rule 3. "The speaker shall...possess the powers and perform the duties herein prescribed, viz:....

"...appoint all standing and special committees...."

West Virginia

Rule 10. "The Speaker shall appoint all committees, except where the House shall otherwise order. In appointing standing committees he shall designate the chairman and vice chairman of same. In the absence of the chairman of a committee the vice chairman shall preside. When the House authorizes the appointment of a committee the Speaker may wait until the next legislative day to make the appointment."

Rule 11. "The Speaker shall be ex-officio member and chairman of the Committee on Rules."

Wisconsin

Rule 5. "Duties of the Speaker.... To name the members, when directed to do so in a particular case, or when it is a part of his general duty by these rules, who are to serve on committees (Rule 22 provides that he shall); and in general:

"To represent and stand for the body over which he presides, declaring its will, and in all things obeying its commands. Every officer of the assembly is subordinate to the speaker, and, in all that relates to the discharge of his several duties, is under his supervision."

Rule 24. "Select or special committees may be provided for on motion or by resolution, designating the number and object, and unless otherwise ordered shall be appointed by the speaker."

Wyoming

No Rule concerning appointment. House rule 4 provides that "... The Speaker shall be, ex officio, a member and chairman of the Committee on Rules.

"No change shall be made in any standing Committee except by a vote of a majority of the Members of the House. Said committees shall take charge of and report upon all matters referred to them respectively."

TABLE IV

SENATE RULES CONCERNING

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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Alabama

Rule 46. "All committees of the Senate shall be named by the President."

Arizona

Rule II, Section 8. "He (the President) shall appoint all standing committees, and all select committees unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, and shall name the chairman and vice-chairman of each such committee. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, but shall not vote or sign reports from any committee except the committees of which he is chairman. He shall fill all vacancies on committees."

Rule X, Section 1. "The first Senator named on a committee shall be the chairman thereof; the second shall be the vice-chairman. In the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall have all the powers and duties of the chairman."

Arkansas

Section 1, "Duties of Committees. -- The ... standing committees shall be appointed by the President at the commencement of each session, unless otherwise ordered...."

Section 3. "Any member may excuse himself from service on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he then is a member of three other committees."

Section 5. "The President shall appoint all select and conference committees which shall be ordered by the Senate from time to time."

Section 6. "At the commencement of each regular session the President shall appoint as chairman of each standing committee one of the members thereof; in the temporary absence of the chairman the member next in rank in the order named in the selection of the committees, and so on, as often as the case shall happen, shall act as chairman; and in case of a permanent vacancy in the chairmanship of any such committee the President shall appoint another chairman."

Section 7. "All vacancies in standing committees of the Senate shall be filled by the President, and the President may increase or decrease the number of members of any standing committee at his discretion."

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Section 8. "The chairman shall appoint the clerk or clerks or other employees of his committee, subject to approval, who shall be paid at the public expense, the Senate having first provided therefor."

California

Rule 11. "The Committee on Rules shall consist of the President pro Tempore of the Senate, who shall be the chairman of the committee, and four other Members of the Senate to be elected by the Senate.

"The Committee on Rules shall appoint all other committees of the Senate unless otherwise directed by the Senate and shall designate a chairman of each committee so appointed and a vice-chairman of each standing committee.

"In making committee appointments, the Committee on Rules shall give consideration to seniority, preference, and experience; provided, however, that in making committee appointments, the Rules Committee shall, so far as practicable, give equal representation to all parts of the state.

"The Senate Committee on Finance shall consist of four Senate Members of the Legislative Budget Committee and seven additional Members of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Rules.

"Ten days before the commencement of any regular session of the Legislature, the Secretary of the Senate shall mail to each member a blank, in a form approved by the Rules Committee, on which the member may indicate his committee preferences and with such blank shall be mailed a stamped envelope addressed to the Rules Committee, care of the Secretary, for the convenience of the member in returning such form with his preferences thereon. All such communications shall be retained by the Secretary unopened and shall be delivered to the Rules Committee immediately upon the organization of the Senate."

Rule 17.1. "The chairman or vice-chairman of the Senate Committee on Rules may designate any one or more of the Members of the Senate as a Senate interim committee to attend funerals in appropriate circumstances. The members so designated shall receive their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties or in lieu of such expenses the same allowances for accommodations and meals, and mileage as is provided by the Joint Rules for members of investigating committees.

"The chairman or vice-chairman of said Committee on Rules or any Member of the Senate designated by either of said officers may incur such expense as may be necessary for the purchase on behalf of the Senate of suitable floral pieces for any such funeral.

"All expenses incurred pursuant to this resolution are hereby ordered to be paid out of the money allocated from the Contingent Fund of the Senate to the said Senate Committee on Rules and disbursed, after certification by the

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chairman or vice-chairman of the committee, or by the committee's disbursing officer appointed and designated therefor by the committee, upon warrants drawn by the State Controller upon the State Treasurer."

Colorado

Rule 21. "The...standing committees shall be appointed by resolution at the beginning of each regular session of the General Assembly convening after a general election, and shall remain constituted as such standing committees until the regular session convening after the next ensuing general election...."

"Each standing committee shall have nine members except, the Committee on Judiciary which shall have eleven members, the Committee on Finance which shall have eighteen members, the Committee on Interstate Cooperation which shall have five members, and the Committee on Senate Services and Supplies, Expenditures and Personnel which shall have four members each."

Rule 12. "President and Presiding Officers. -- The President shall:...

b. "Appoint all committees except standing committees, unless otherwise ordered by the majority vote of all members elected..."

Connecticut

Rule 17. "On or before the third day of every legislative session of the General Assembly there shall be appointed 32 Senate Committees, each of which, except as otherwise provided herein, shall consist of not more than 5 Senators. Committees shall be appointed by the President pro tempore unless the Senate otherwise orders, but members of the minority party shall be appointed on nomination of the duly elected leader of such minority party. Said committees shall perform the duties required of them, take into consideration all matters referred to them, and report such measures as they may deem expedient."

Rule 31. "The majority and minority leaders of the Senate shall be ex-officio members of all committees without the right to vote, except that they shall have the right to vote in those committees to which they were appointed members by the President pro tempore of the Senate. The majority and minority leaders of the Senate shall be elected by the members of their respective parties."

Delaware

Rule 15. "The President Pro Tempore shall appoint all committees, unless the Senate shall otherwise direct."

Florida

Rule 4. "He (the President) shall appoint all standing committees and all select and conference committees which shall be ordered by the Senate from time to time."

Rule 49. "The first named member of the committee shall be the Chairman, and in his absence, or being excused by the Senate, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen."

Georgia

Rule 4. "President to appoint committees. -- All committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered by the Senate."

Rule 109. "After the announcement of the standing committees, no other Senators shall be placed thereon, unless it be at the request of a majority of the committee to be added thereto; except when Senators have been elected to fill vacancies caused by death or otherwise, the President may assign said Senators to such committees as he may see fit, and he may fill any vacancy in chairmanships."

Idaho

Rule 17. "Committee Assignments -- (1) The... standing committees shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; provided, that the President shall appoint a majority of each committee and the chairman of each committee from the membership of the political party having a majority in the Senate except as hereinafter provided..."

Illinois

Rule 11. "Standing Committees. -- There shall be elected from the membership of the Senate a Committee on Committees, composed of 11 members, no more than 8 of whom shall be of the same political party. The election of this Committee shall take place as the next order of business after the adoption of the Rules by the Senate.

"The membership of the... Standing Committees shall be selected by the Committee on Committees, such selection to be presented to the Senate for its approval..."

Indiana

Rule 54. "Unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the members-elect of the Senate, all committees and vacancies in committees shall be filled by the President of the Senate..."

IOWA

Rule 2. "The president shall...appoint all committees unless otherwise specifically ordered."

Kansas

Rule 36. "...the standing committees shall be appointed by the President..."

Kentucky

Rule 66. "The following shall be the standing committees of the Senate. There shall be a Committee on Committees composed of the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tem and the Majority Floor Leader of the Senate, and the majority of said Committee shall have full power to act on all matters referred to said Committee either by these rules or by action of the Senate.

"All bills and resolutions, either joint or concurrent, shall, upon their introduction, be automatically referred to the Committee on Committees who shall refer same to the proper Committee on the Legislative Day of, or the first Legislative Day after, the introduction of such bill or resolution on which the Senate is in session."

Rule 7. "All employees of the Senate, except the assistants to the Clerk, shall, each legislative day one hour before the meeting of the Senate for that day, report to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, who shall, in turn, report to the Committee on Committees of the Senate whether or not all of said employees are on duty; and the Committee on Committees of the Senate, whenever it deems it necessary, shall report to the Senate any dereliction of duty. The stenographers of the Senate shall perform stenographic services for the Senators, the committees of the Senate, and the Sergeant-at-Arms, at such place and during such hours as may be fixed by the Committee on Committees of the Senate. No employee of or person elected by the Senate shall receive any fee, tip or compensation from any Senator. Any violation of this rule shall be ground for dismissal of said employee."

Rule 37. "Bills originating in and passed by the House of Representatives when reported to the Senate shall be referred to the Committee on Committees and shall take the same course as other bills."

Rule 39. "The Committee on Enrollment and the Committee on Committees may report at any time except during roll call or while a vote is being taken."

Louisiana

Rule 2, Section 2, #6. "General Duties of the President--(2) It shall be the general duty of the President: Lt. Governor...

6. "To name the members of all committees unless otherwise directed by the Senate."

Maine

Senate Rule 32. "All committees shall be nominated by the President (unless when it may be determined that the election shall be by ballot), and appointed by the Senate."

Joint Rule 1. "The following Joint Standing Committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, viz:--

- On Agriculture
- On Appropriations and Financial Affairs
- On Business Legislation
- On Claims
- On Correctional Institutions
- On Education
- On Highways
- On Inland Fisheries and Game
- On Judiciary
- On Labor
- On Legal Affairs
- On Liquor Control
- On Natural Resources
- On Public Health
- On Public Buildings and Parks
- On Public Utilities
- On Reference of Bills
- On Sea and Shore Fisheries
- On Taxation
- On Towns and Counties
- On Transportation
- On Veterans and Military Affairs
- On Welfare

"And each of said committees except the Committee on Reference of Bills, shall consist of three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House, with leave to report by bill or otherwise. The Committee on Reference of Bills shall consist of one on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House, with the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, members ex officio."

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Joint Rule 2. "Joint select committees shall consist of three on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House, unless the order creating the same shall provide a different number."

Joint Rule 11. "It shall be the duty of the Committee on Reference of Bills to suggest the reference to appropriate committees of all bills, resolves, orders and petitions offered in either house, and to recommend the printing of documents before reference to committees, in their discretion suggesting the number of copies to be printed. Whenever a document shall be printed under the Joint Rules governing the procedure following a favorable committee report, the number of copies shall be five hundred, unless otherwise ordered. Sufficient copies shall be delivered to the Sergeants-at-Arms of the two houses for the members and officers thereof and the balance shall be delivered to the Document Clerk, who shall reserve one hundred copies for the Departments and for binding, twenty copies for the committee having the same under consideration, and shall be responsible for the equitable distribution of the remainder."

Maryland

Rule 22. "Appointment. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise specially directed by the Senate. The President shall designate a chairman and a vice-chairman for each committee which he appoints. The vice-chairman shall act in the place of the chairman, during the latter's absence."

Massachusetts

Senate Rule 13. "Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless the Senate shall otherwise specially order, and the member first named upon a committee shall be its chairman. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman."

Senate Rule 10. "No member shall be permitted to act on a committee or to vote upon a question in which his private right, distinct from the public interest, is immediately concerned."

Joint Rule 1. "Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows:--

A committee on the Judiciary;

To consist of six members on the part of the Senate, and thirteen on the part of the House;

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A committee on Aeronautics;
A committee on Agriculture;
A committee on Banks and Banking;
A committee on Cities;
A committee on Civil Service;
A committee on Conservation;
A committee on Constitutional Law;
A committee on Counties;
A committee on Education;
A committee on Election Laws;
A committee on Harbors and Public Lands;
A committee on Highways and Motor Vehicles;
A committee on Insurance;
A committee on Labor and Industries;
A committee on Legal Affairs;
A committee on Mercantile Affairs;
A committee on Metropolitan Affairs;
A committee on Military Affairs;
A committee on Municipal Finance;
A committee on Pensions and Old Age Assistance;
A committee on Power and Light;
A committee on Public Health;
A committee on Public Safety;
A committee on Public Service;
A committee on Public Welfare;
A committee on State Administration;
A committee on Taxation;
A committee on Towns;
A committee on Transportation;
A committee on Water Supply;

Each to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House. "

Joint Rule 10. "Joint committees shall make final report not later than the fourth Wednesday of March on all matters referred to them previously to the fifteenth day of March, and within ten days on all matters referred to them on and after the fifteenth day of March. When the time within which such joint committees are required to report has expired, all matters upon which no report has then been made shall forthwith be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next annual session under this rule. If the chairman fails to make such report by the end of the legislative day next following the expiration date, all matters remaining unreported shall be placed in the Orders of the Day by the Clerk of the branch in which the matter was

Massachusetts--continued

originally filed with a recommendation of reference to the next annual session under this rule. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon."

Joint Rule 30. "All motions or orders extending the time within which joint committees are required to report shall be referred without debate to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, who shall report recommending what action should be taken thereon. No such extension shall be granted, against the recommendation of the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, except by a four-fifths vote of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon."

Michigan

Rule 5. "The standing, select and interim committees shall be appointed by a committee on committees of five members, composed of the Lieutenant Governor-elect (who shall be the chairman), the chairman of the caucus of the majority party, and three other Senators-elect who shall be appointed in collaboration by the Lieutenant Governor and the aforesaid caucus chairman. The committee appointments shall be subject to the approval of the Senate, given by a majority vote of the Senators-elect. The President shall appoint a committee consisting of three regular correspondents of daily papers, which committee shall pass upon the credentials of all daily paper representatives and no correspondent shall be admitted to the Senate Chamber except upon a card of admission signed by the chairman and secretary of the committee of correspondents and approved by the President of the Senate. The President shall assign such representatives of the press desks in the Senate Chamber. Persons desiring to be accredited representatives of the press at the sessions of the Senate shall make application to the President of the Senate and shall state in writing the names of all newspapers or publications or news associations by which they are employed and what other occupation or employment they may have, if any, and they shall further declare that they are not engaged in the prosecution of any claim pending before the Senate, or in furthering passage or defeat of any measure pending before the Senate and will not become so engaged while accredited as representative of the press."

Minnesota

Rule 2. "All committees of the Senate and members of commissions to be appointed by the Senate authorized by rule, statute, resolution or otherwise, shall be appointed by a Committee on Committees, subject to confirmation by the Senate, and all such appointments made by such Committee on Committees."

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shall likewise be subject to confirmation by the Senate. In the appointment of members of conference committees between the 2 houses, the Committee on Committees of the Senate shall appoint those who are in accord with the position of the Senate, and whenever practical, give preference to authors of bills in dispute and to members of standing committees in which the bills were considered.

(Note: No Rule specifies how the Committee on Committees is chosen. In the 1953 session of the Minnesota Legislature the Committee was composed of five Senators. The Lieutenant Governor was not a member. The members were chairmen of Committees on Labor, Workmen's Compensation, Rules, Civil Defense, and Judiciary.)"

Rule 11. "All bills shall be referred by the President of the Senate without motion to the proper standing committee, on the first reading, unless otherwise referred by the Senate; and all bills providing for the appropriation of money, or obligating the State to pay or expend money, when referred to and reported by any other than the Committee on Finance, shall, before passage, be referred to the Committee on Finance, provided that when any question shall arise concerning the proper reference of a bill the bill shall be referred without debate to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Expense to report the proper reference thereof, and upon adoption of such report it shall be referred accordingly."

Mississippi

Rule 7. "The president, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, may nominate standing committees as provided in Rule 30. He shall also appoint all select and conference committees, which may be ordered by the Senate from time to time."

Rule 30. "The following standing committees, except the Committee on Rules shall be appointed by the president in accordance with provisions of rule 7 with leave to report by Bill or otherwise..."

"Rules--The Committee on Rules shall consist of the lieutenant governor, the president pro tem of the Senate, and seven other senators, one from each of the congressional districts of the state to be selected by the senators from their respective congressional districts by caucus."

Rule 31. "The first member named on a committee shall be its Chairman and the second member named shall be its Vice-Chairman. There shall be no further rank on the committees, the remaining members being listed thereon in alphabetical order. Each committee shall, after its organization, immediately determine by a majority vote what shall constitute a sufficient quorum

Mississippi--continued

for it to proceed to business, which quorum shall be not less than a majority of the Committee, and shall report said action to the secretary of the Senate."

Rule 27. "No senator offering a motion or resolution to the appointment of a committee shall be appointed chairman of such committee."

Missouri

Rule 10. "All committees shall be appointed by the President pro tem of the Senate unless otherwise ordered."

Rule 27. "Any Senator appointed upon any committee may resign at any time by leave of the Senate."

Montana

Committees of Senate

Rule 8, section 1. "Committee on Committees. All committees of the Senate, special or standing, and all joint committees on the part of the Senate, shall be selected by a committee of three (3), to be elected by the Senate (unless otherwise ordered), the selection so made by said committee to be reported to the Senate and to be effective only when ratified by the Senate."

Rule 8, section 2, "Change of Membership. A majority of the Senate may, at any time, change the membership of any committee upon one day's notice thereof."

Nebraska (Unicameral) See House Rules Concerning Committee Appointments.

Nevada

Rule 29. "All committees of the Senate, special and standing, and all joint committees on the part thereof, shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate."

New Hampshire

Senate Rule 26. "All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise directed by the Senate."

Suggested Rules for Guidance of Committee Chairmen, Rule 1. "Organization of Committee. -- The Chairman of each committee is the first named member of the committee. The second named is the Vice-Chairman. As soon as a committee is named by the presiding officer, the Chairman should call

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an organization meeting for the purpose of electing a Clerk, and determining such other matters as may be necessary for the prompt accomplishment of the committee's work. A quorum of a committee shall consist of a majority of the appointed members."

New Jersey

Rule 12. "All committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered by the Senate."

New Mexico

Rule 82. "Seniority of the members of the Senate shall prevail at all times in committee assignments, and chairmen of committees shall be appointed by request of the senior members. All committeemen shall be placed on committee by rank of seniority. Should a vacancy occur, the next ranking member of the Senate shall have priority on the requested committee. Seniority will be governed by continuous service in the New Mexico Senate. This rule can only be repealed or suspended by a three-fourths vote of the elected Senate."

(Note: While there is no rule concerning the appointment of the Committee on Committees, in the twenty-first session of the New Mexico Legislature the Committee was composed of the Majority Floor Leader, the Majority Whip, the Minority Floor Leader, the Minority Whip, and five other Senators all of the Majority Party. Apparently seniority largely determines membership on this committee.)

Rule 17 (b). "After the Committee on Committees has reported on the membership of the different standing committees of the Senate and such report has been adopted by the Senate, no additions or deletions shall be permitted from the floor of the Senate unless such additions or deletions first have been approved by the Committee on Committees."

New York

Rule V, sections 1, 2, and 3. "The Senate shall choose a Temporary President who shall preside in case of the absence or impeachment of the Lieutenant Governor, or when he shall refuse to act as President, or shall act as Governor."

"The Temporary President, when acting as President, shall be vested with all the powers and duties conferred by these rules upon the President."

"He shall appoint all committees, except when the Senate shall otherwise order."

New York--continued

Rule XVI, Section 2. "The Temporary President and the Minority Leader shall be ex-officio members of all standing committees of the Senate."

North Carolina

Rule 12. "The Lieutenant Governor, as President of the Senate, unless he shall have by law disqualified himself from that office, shall have the exclusive right and authority to appoint all Committees, regular or special, but he may delegate said authority in any instance, as he may choose."

Rule 30. "Membership on standing committees shall consist of not more than sixteen Senators, including the Chairman and Vice-Chairman who shall be designated by the President, provided the committee membership on the Committee on Rules, the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Roads and the Committee on Education shall not be limited as to membership. No Senator shall hold membership on more than nine standing committees unless the Rules Committee provides otherwise."

North Dakota

Rule 39. "The Senate shall elect a Committee on Committees to consist of seven members of which the President of the Senate shall be the Chairman, which committee shall appoint the following standing committees classified in accordance with the usual amount of work and concerned with matters in the field as indicated:

1. Agriculture, fifteen members.
Agriculture; Livestock; Drainage and Irrigation; Warehouse and Grain Grading.
2. Appropriations, seventeen members.
All bills calling for appropriations in excess of two hundred dollars.
3. Education, fifteen members.
Public Schools, Libraries and Institutions of Higher Learning.
4. Finance and Taxation, fifteen members.
Public Debt; Taxes and Tax Laws.
5. Judiciary, fifteen members.
Elections and Election Privileges; Judiciary.
6. State and Federal Government, fifteen members
State and Federal Affairs; Board of Administration and Industrial Commission and institutions under their supervision; State Historical Society and State Parks; Immigration and Statistics.
7. General Affairs.
Ways and Means; Public Printing; Trades and Professions; Sports and Amusements; Matters not otherwise specified.

North Dakota--continued

8. Industry and Business
Banks and Banking; Corporations; Insurance; Matters pertaining to private business and industry.
 9. Labor Relations
Workmen's Compensation; Unemployment Compensation; Labor Laws and kindred subjects.
 10. Natural Resources
Game and Fish; Public Lands; Mines and Mining; Gas and Oil; Forestry.
 11. Political Subdivisions
Cities and Villages; Counties; Townships; Park Districts; Apportionment.
 12. Social Welfare
Public Welfare; Public Health; Public Safety; Temperance.
 13. Transportation
Highways and Bridges; Railroads; Motor Vehicles; Airlines and Airports.
 14. Veterans and Military Affairs
Committees numbered from 7 to 14 inclusive, are to consist of thirteen members each.
(Procedural Committees)
 15. Delayed Bills, to consist of five members.
 16. Employment, to consist of five members.
 17. Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, to consist of five members.
 18. Mileage and Per Diem, to consist of three members.
 19. Revision and Correction of Journal, to consist of three members.
 20. Rules, to consist of nine members.
- In all cases a majority of the committee shall consist of a quorum."

Rule 40. "No member shall serve on more than two committees numbered from 1 to 6 inclusive. No member shall be appointed to serve on more than five standing committees other than Procedural."

Rule 42. "There shall be a meeting of committee chairmen and the President each week on Friday morning at nine o'clock, or at such other time as the majority of chairmen may agree. They shall select their own chairman. At such meeting they shall arrange the schedule of committee hearings to the end of the following week, and so far as possible the bills to be considered at such hearings."

Rule 69. "On all committees the first named member shall be the chairman, and, in his absence, or being excused by the Senate, the next member named, and so on as often as the case shall happen, shall act as chairman."

Ohio

Rule 19. At as early a date as practicable after the organization of the Senate, there shall be appointed by the Senate the.... standing committees...."

Rule 26. (Select Committees, Appointed By.) "All committees, except standing committees, shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the President pro tempore, unless the Senate shall otherwise direct."

Rule 20. (Committee Chairmen; Expenses) "The first named member of any committee shall be the chairman, and the second named member shall be vice-chairman, and in his absence the next named member shall act as such, unless the committee, by a majority vote, shall elect a chairman.

"The President pro tem shall be ex-officio a voting member of each committee.

"No committee or member thereof shall be permitted to incur any expenses without first receiving the written consent of the Rules Committee. Such authorization shall be signed by the chairman of the Rules Committee and attested by the secretary of the committee."

Oklahoma

Rule 51. "The.... standing committees shall be elected by the Senate, and no additions shall be made to any committee, except when a majority of the Senate agrees thereto..."

Rule 28. "The first and second persons named on any committee shall be the Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively of said committee; and the Secretary shall deliver all papers referred to any Committee to the Chairman; provided, that if the Chairman be absent, the Vice Chairman of the committee shall act in his stead."

Rule 51, section 6. "No member of the Senate shall without unanimous consent of the Senate, serve on more than 6 Standing Committees."

Rule 58. "Any member of any standing committee failing to attend three consecutive meetings of any committee of which he is a member shall be automatically dropped from the roll of said committee unless he be excused on proper showing by the chairman or a majority of the members of said committee."

Oregon

Rule 6. "All standing and all special committees of the Senate shall be named by the President of the Senate, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, and the first named shall be the chairman thereof, and the second named shall be the vice chairman."

Oregon--continued

Rule 79. "No member of the Senate who has voted against creation of a special committee or interim committee shall be appointed chairman of that committee."

Pennsylvania

Rule 23. "... The members and the Chairman of the said Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President pro tempore as soon after his election as possible. All vacancies occurring in said committees by resignation or otherwise shall be filled by the President pro tempore.

"The President pro tempore shall be ex-officio a member of all Standing Committees and included in the number of committee members herein provided."

Rule 24. "Every member of a committee shall attend the call of the chairman, who shall be the first-named person on such committee; and in case of his neglect to call the committee together or in case of his absence by sickness or other cause, the committee shall attend the call of the next person named on the committee."

Rhode Island

Rule 7. "All committees, standing or joint, shall be elected by the Senate unless otherwise provided."

Rule 9. "All vacancies occurring in any committee of the Senate shall be filled by the majority leader of the senate unless otherwise provided."

Rule 13. "The senate may from time to time, by resolution provide for the establishment of select committees upon such subjects as it may deem proper, and upon the adoption of such resolution the majority leader of the senate shall appoint the chairman and members thereof. A Committee may from time to time be appointed by the president or majority leader of the senate to examine the journal of the senate and see that its proceedings are properly, correctly and legibly recorded."

South Carolina

Rule 19. "In the appointment of the Standing Committees the Senate shall proceed viva voce, severally, to elect the Chairman of each Committee, and then, viva voce, the other members necessary to complete the same; and a majority of the whole number of votes given shall be necessary to the choice of the Chairman of a Standing Committee. In all other elections a plurality of votes shall make a choice. All other committees shall be appointed by the President, unless the Senate differently direct.

South Carolina--continued

"When any subject or matter shall have been referred to a committee, any other subject or matter of a similar nature may, on motion, be referred to such Committee."

South Dakota

Rule 19. "The Presiding officer of the Senate shall at each biennial session appoint the... standing committees...."

"... The Lieutenant Governor shall be, ex-officio, a member of the Legislative Procedure Committee...."

"The first named member of a committee shall be chairman and in his absence, or being excused by the body, the next named member, and so often as the case may happen, shall act as chairman...."

Tennessee

Rule 6. "The Speaker shall appoint all standing committees; and all special committees, unless otherwise expressly directed by the Senate."

Rule 54. "The Speaker shall be ex-officio member of all special and standing committees."

Texas

Rule 76. "All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise directed by the Senate."

Rule 79. "The Senate may, by resolution, add members to any committee, standing or special, but when such additions are made, no further change in standing committees shall be made, except by and with the consent of a two-thirds majority of all the Senators present."

Utah

Rule 75. "Standing Committees. The... standing committees shall be appointed by the president of the senate...."

Rule 5. "Duties of President. It shall be the general duty of the president:
(1) To name the members of committees when directed to do so in any particular case, or when it is part of his general duty by the rules."

Rule 76. "Chairman of Committee. The first senator named on a committee shall be the chairman thereof."

Utah--continued

Rule 78. "Special Committees. Special committees may be provided for on motion or by resolution, designating the number and the object, and unless otherwise ordered shall be appointed by the president."

Rule 79. "Committee Quorum; Sub-Committees. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Sub-committees, who shall report to the regular committee, may be appointed to take charge of any part of the committee's business.

If any Senator appointed to any committee shall fail, without giving notice of the reason thereof, to attend three consecutive meetings of any committee of which he is a member, his membership shall be automatically cancelled in such committee. The President of the Senate shall, when so notified by the chairman of the committee, appoint another Senator to fill the vacancy in such committee."

Vermont

Rule I, section 4. "The Senate shall forthwith proceed to elect by ballot and in the order named, a secretary and a president pro tempore, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. It shall also as soon as may be elect a senator to serve with the president and president pro tempore in appointing the standing committees. It shall also elect a chaplain or chaplains."

Rule V, section 25. "The first member named on each committee shall be chairman thereof and the second member shall be ranking member of said committee, and in the event of the death or resignation of such chairman, the ranking member shall become chairman until the rules committee designate a new ranking member and fill the vacancy created in said committee. Each committee at its first meeting shall choose a clerk from its members."

Virginia

Rule 5, section 17. "Regular standing committees of the Senate and its members upon the joint standing committees shall be elected by the Senate, unless the Senate direct otherwise, and the senator first named shall be the chairman, unless the committee direct otherwise. The majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum."

Rule 5, section 31. "The President of the Senate, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the chairman of the Committee for Courts of Justice and two additional members of the Senate, shall constitute a standing Committee on Rules, to whom all resolutions amending or altering the rules of the Senate shall be referred, and said committee shall report such amendments to said rules as in their judgment are necessary and proper.

Virginia--continued

"To the Committee on Rules shall also be referred all other resolutions except those of a purely procedural nature for its consideration and report with a recommendation that they be passed or rereferred to another committee. In considering a resolution the Rules Committee is empowered to sit while the Senate is in session."

Washington

Rule 2. "The president shall appoint all conference, special, joint and hereinafter named standing committees on the part of the senate: Provided, however, that the appointment of the said conference, special, joint and hereinafter named standing committees shall be subject to the confirmation of the senate.

"In the event the senate shall refuse to confirm any committee or committees, such committee or committees shall be forthwith elected by the senate...."

West Virginia

Rule 25. "All standing committees shall be appointed by the President of the Senate, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, and he shall designate the chairman of each committee and may also designate a vice chairman of any standing committee when he may deem it advisable...."

Rule 26. "Select committees shall consist of not less than three nor more than five members unless the Senate shall direct otherwise."

Wisconsin

Rule 20. "The following standing committees shall be elected by the senate as near the commencement of the session as may be, namely:

- On Agriculture and Conservation, five members
- On Education and Public Welfare, five members
- On Highways, three members
- On Judiciary, five members
- On Labor and Management, five members
- On State and Local Government, five members
- On Veterans' Affairs, five members.

"The senate shall, also elect five members to the joint committee on Finance, of which number one shall be chairman of the joint committee.

"The three senators appointed to the commission on interstate cooperation shall serve on the senate committee on interstate cooperation which shall be a standing committee of the senate. The first senator named shall be chairman of said committee.

Wisconsin--continued

"Each member shall serve on one and only one of the committees provided for in the first two paragraphs of this rule, except that a member may serve on the committee on Veterans' Affairs in addition to serving on one of the other standing committees set forth in this rule.

"In instances where senate seats are vacant, thus reducing the membership to less than thirty-three, assignments may be reserved on the standing committees for the senators who are to fill such vacancies; or when it is deemed expedient, senators holding regular assignments on standing committees may be designated to fill such vacant assignments temporarily until such time as the new senators have been elected and qualified...."

Rule 21. "Select or special committees may be provided for on motion or by resolution, designating the number and object, and unless otherwise ordered, shall be appointed by the presiding officer."

Rule 5. "It shall be the general duty of the presiding officer:

To name the members, when directed to do so in a particular case or when it is a part of his general duty by these rules, who are to serve on committees...."

Wyoming

Rule 6, section 6. "It shall be the general duty of the President:

To name the members of all committees unless otherwise directed by the Senate."

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(Total Representatives Each Session Throughout: 108)

Date of General Assembly:	1917	1919	1921	1923	'23-'24	1925	1927	1928	1929	1931	1933	'33-'34	1935	1936	1937	1939	1941	1943	1944	1945	1947	1947	1949	1951	1953	
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AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION																										
1. Agriculture	34	39	47	49	48	46	50	50	51	48	40	40	49	49	52	52	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.
2. Agriculture I	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	22	29	29	32	31	31	35	29	25	2.
3. Agriculture II, Farm Tenancy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	31	25	25	24	27	27	32	--	--	3.
4. Horticulture	10	10	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.
5. Horticulture and Forestry	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	7	11	7	12	13	12	12	10	9	10	8	8	9	9	9	--	--	--	5.
6. Agriculture II and Horticulture	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	23	6.
7. Dairy and Food	18	18	18	15	15	15	13	13	12	12	12	12	16	16	16	16	16	11	11	15	20	20	22	--	19	7.
8. Agriculture II, Horticulture and Dairy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	28	--	8.
9. Animal Industry	18	17	18	18	19	20	18	18	20	20	24	24	19	19	14	16	18	15	15	17	19	19	--	--	--	9.
10. Conservation of Resources	17	17	17	10	10	12	12	12	12	15	20	20	20	20	21	21	19	13	13	15	19	19	--	--	--	10.
11. Drainage	17	17	17	20	22	22	15	15	14	13	14	20	17	17	11	13	13	8	8	10	14	14	--	--	--	11.
12. Conservation, Drainage, Flood Control	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	36	30	26	12.
13. Fish and Game	17	17	18	15	15	15	17	17	21	23	28	29	31	31	18	22	18	17	17	18	24	24	19	16	20	13.
APPROPRIATIONS																										
14. Appropriations	45	45	48	38	39	42	49	49	51	50	35	34	38	38	46	47	45	46	46	52	53	53	52	53	48	14.
CLAIMS																										
15. Claims	11	11	11	10	10	10	14	14	13	13	14	15	15	15	19	13	15	15	15	15	18	18	20	17	15	15.
COMMERCE																										
16. Banks and Banking	24	25	32	21	21	24	40	40	37	33	28	31	32	32	30	30	26	30	30	33	35	35	--	--	--	16.
17. Building and Loan	11	11	10	13	13	11	11	11	8	8	9	9	9	9	13	12	9	9	9	10	15	15	--	--	--	17.
18. Banks, Building and Loan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	29	23	18	18.
19. Insurance	26	25	29	28	29	31	35	35	37	32	29	28	20	20	21	25	22	14	14	15	29	29	31	23	20	19.

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COMMERCE (cont)																										
20. Labor	18	18	18	18	18	17	11	11	10	9	12	12	16	16	15	21	21	23	23	24	28	28	31	25	25	20.
21. Commerce and Trade	17	17	15	12	12	10	11	11	15	14	16	16	12	12	11	26	20	8	8	10	16	16	-- [†]	--	--	21.
22. Domestic Manufacturers	9	8	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	22.
23. Private Corporations	7	7	8	10	10	9	7	7	10	9	14	14	9	9	10	8	9	15	15	14	21	21	20	16	16	23.
24. Mines and Mining	13	13	13	13	13	14	12	12	11	10	9	9	10	10	9	12	13	11	11	11	12	12	10	9	10	24.
EDUCATION																										
25. Industrial Schools	9	9	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	25.
26. Schools and Textbooks	29	28	29	30	29	35	--	--	36	32	30	32	30	30	31	28	31	29	29	32	39	39	--	--	--	26.
27. Public Schools	--	--	--	--	--	--	37	37	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	27.
28. Agricultural College	13	13	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	28.
29. College for the Blind	7	7	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	29.
30. Normal School	11	11	11	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	30.
31. School for the Deaf	7	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	31.
32. State University	7	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	32.
33. Public Libraries	12	12	12	--	--	--	9	9	10	8	12	12	10	10	13	13	11	7	7	12	12	12	--	--	--	33.
34. State Educational Institutions	18	18	18	14	14	15	21	21	18	20	20	19	17	17	18	20	17	11	11	11	16	16	--	--	--	34.
35. Schools, Libraries, State Educational Institutions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	40	36	30	35.
ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL DISTRICTS																										
36. Congressional Districts	8	8	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	36.
37. Elections	20	21	20	21	22	23	19	19	14	11	16	16	18	18	19	16	14	15	15	16	15	15	--	--	--	37.
38. Judicial Districts	8	7	8	10	10	8	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	38.
39. Representative Districts	8	8	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	39.
40. Senatorial Districts	10	10	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	40.
41. Woman Suffrage	10	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	41.
42. Judicial and Political Districts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	23	22	10	11	9	9	11	10	11	8	8	9	9	9	--	--	--	42.
43. Elections, Political and Judicial Districts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	13	14	43.

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JUDICIAL AND LEGAL (cont)																										
67. Land Titles	14	14	14	14	13	14	8	8	13	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	67.
68. Code Revision	--	--	8	6	11	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	68.
LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE																										
69. Rules	8	8	7	7	7	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	8	8	12	12	10	13	13	14	12	8	69.
70. Enrolled Bills	11	11	11	10	10	7	7	7	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	6	7	8	8	7	7	7	70.
71. Engrossed Bills	6	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	71.
MILITARY																										
72. Military	11	12	17	11	11	12	12	12	9	16	16	14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	72.
73. Military Affairs	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	10	14	20	8	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	73.
74. Military and Veterans Affairs	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	26	26	33	25	19	74.
POLICE AND CRIME																										
75. Police Regulation	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	75.
76. Suppression of Intemperance	14	14	--	15	15	16	17	17	15	14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	76.
77. Police Regulation and Suppression of Crime	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	77.
78. Police Regulation, Suppression of Crime and Intemperance	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	14	15	21	21	--	--	14	10	10	10	12	12	18	30	25	78.
PRINTING																										
79. Printing	13	13	10	10	10	10	9	9	11	8	10	10	9	9	19	11	10	7	7	7	10	10	8	7	6	79.
PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND LANDS																										
80. Public Lands and Buildings	7	7	6	9	9	10	9	9	7	7	10	10	14	14	16	11	15	8	8	9	14	14	18	17	15	80.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE																										
81. Board of Control	14	14	14	18	18	17	20	20	20	17	16	16	13	13	15	28	24	25	25	26	36	36	31	25	21	81.
82. Hospital for the Insane	6	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	82.
83. Institute for the Feeble Minded	6	6	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	83.
84. Penitentiaries	11	11	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	84.
85. Soldiers' Orphans' Home	9	10	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	85.
86. Juvenile Home	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	86.
87. Public Charities	8	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	87.
88. Old Age Assistance	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11	15	11	11	12	19	19	--	--	--	88.
89. Social Security	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	14	27	25	22	22	21	26	26	33	29	23	89.
90. Pharmacy	11	11	11	8	8	9	7	7	6	7	10	10	11	11	11	8	14	13	13	11	10	10	--	--	--	90.
91. Public Health	17	17	18	22	21	23	16	16	18	19	21	23	23	23	26	18	21	30	30	29	35	35	--	--	--	91.
92. Public Health, Pharmacy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	31	25	24	92.
93. Child Welfare	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	7	15	13	9	9	9	9	23	19	13	14	14	16	21	21	--	--	--	93.
94. Liquor Control	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	20	20	25	24	29	23	23	25	37	37	36	--	--	94.
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION																										
95. Public Utilities	17	16	18	12	13	14	25	25	23	22	20	19	27	27	32	18	18	28	28	27	31	31	--	--	--	95.
96. Telephones	14	14	15	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	96.
97. Telegraph and Express	11	10	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	97.
98. Telephone, Telegraph and Express	--	--	--	15	15	12	6	6	7	8	9	10	17	17	18	10	18	14	14	11	9	9	--	--	--	98.
99. Public Utilities, Telephone, Telegraph and Express	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	24	20	18	99.
100. Roads and Highways	34	35	37	37	38	42	54	54	54	54	37	40	43	43	38	41	34	20	20	20	31	31	49	49	41	100.
101. Motor Vehicles and Transportation	21	29	30	29	29	30	22	22	24	24	21	23	24	24	31	30	32	38	38	38	37	37	--	--	--	101.
102. Motor Vehicles, Commerce and Trade	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	29	23	22	102.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION (cont)																											
103. Railroads	24	19	18	19	19	20	14	14	15	15	14	13	14	14	13	24	25	24	24	25	23	23	22	18	17	103.	
104. Aeronautics	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	13	11	12	8	8	7	8	9	8	8	10	16	16	20	15	12	104.	
WAYS AND MEANS																											
105. Ways and Means	41	46	48	40	40	40	38	38	36	40	31	31	22	22	29	31	38	29	29	26	36	36	36	33	25	105.	
106. Retrenchment and Reform	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	--	--	106.	
107. Reduction of Expenditures	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	107.
108. Tax Revision	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	25	--	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	28	28	34	26	22	108.	
109. Tax Reduction	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	28	25	17	17	17	20	12	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	109.	
110. Income Tax Reduction	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	14	14	--	--	--	--	--	--	110.	
MISCELLANEOUS																											
111. Emergency Legislation	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	9	13	13	11	14	10	12	12	13	15	15	--	--	--	111.	
TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEES	63	64	64	44	44	44	48	48	48	50	48	51	51	52	52	54	58	58	58	56	56	56	40	37	38		
TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS	928	967	974	771	782	796	819	819	855	870	810	878	895	895	943	960	998	911	911	948	1181	1181	1006	837	761		
AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS PER REPRESENTATIVE	8.59	8.95	9.02	7.14	7.24	7.37	7.58	7.58	7.92	8.06	7.50	8.13	8.29	8.29	8.73	8.89	9.24	8.44	8.44	8.78	10.94	10.94	9.31	7.75	7.05		

*Data for General Assemblies meeting from 1917 through 1949 from Richardson, Ivan L., Committee Structure of the Iowa General Assembly--1949, Unpub., Ph. D. Dissertation, State University of Iowa, 1950, pp. 182-185 and rearranged according to general classifications. Data for 54th and 55th General Assemblies from 1951 Committees, 54 G. A., State of Iowa, Des Moines, 1951, pp. 33-45 and 1953 Committees, 55 G. A., State of Iowa, Des Moines, 1953, pp. 33-43.

†See Motor Vehicles, Commerce and Trade under PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES 1917-1953 *
(Total Senators Each Session Throughout: 50)

Date of General Assembly:	1917	1919	1921	1923	'23-'24	1925	1927	1928	1929	1931	1933	'33-'34	1935	1936	1937	1939	1941	1943	1944	1945	1947	1947	1949	1951	1953	
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AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION																										
1. Agriculture	15	18	21	26	27	25	18	18	27	24	14	14	12	12	13	14	16	--	--	26	25	--	24	20	18	1.
2. Agriculture I	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.
3. Agriculture II	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.
4. Horticulture and Forestry	6	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	5	5	--	--	7	7	7	6	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.
5. Dairy and Food	9	10	12	13	14	11	10	10	8	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.
6. Livestock and Dairy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	9	9	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.
7. Dairying	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7.
8. Dairy and Poultry	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	--	8.
9. Drainage	--	--	7	11	11	9	8	8	7	7	6	9	7	7	7	5	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9.
10. Farm Tenancy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.
11. Livestock and Marketing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11.
12. Fish and Game	11	10	8	11	11	11	19	19	12	15	12	14	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12.
13. Conservation	--	7	8	7	7	8	10	10	7	9	10	10	7	7	18	18	20	21	--	17	16	--	19	20	14	13.
APPROPRIATIONS																										
14. Appropriations	22	19	21	27	27	20	19	19	19	20	22	25	29	29	30	29	25	--	--	24	25	--	25	29	24	14.
15. Appropriations I	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	15.
16. Appropriations II	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16.
CLAIMS																										
17. Claims	5	7	8	9	9	9	11	11	8	8	10	10	11	11	11	7	8	5	--	5	5	--	5	6	6	17.

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COMMERCE																										
18. Banks	12	12	12	16	16	17	21	21	15	14	11	13	9	9	9	9	8	13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	18.
19. Building and Loan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	8	--	--	--	--	--	5	7	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	19.
20. Banks, Building and Loan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	15	16	--	16	16	12	20.
21. Insurance	15	12	14	18	18	12	16	16	13	14	12	13	13	13	15	15	16	16	--	15	16	--	13	12	12	21.
22. Labor	13	10	11	17	17	16	15	15	17	20	10	10	7	7	7	8	8	11	--	11	13	--	14	15	15	22.
23. Manufactures	8	5	5	7	7	7	7	7	6	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	23.
24. Commerce and Trade	7	5	5	5	--	9	7	7	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	24.
25. Manufacturing, Commerce and Trade	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	7	7	7	9	11	10	--	9	12	--	7	7	7	25.
26. Corporations	7	5	5	5	5	8	7	7	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	6	--	7	8	--	6	--	--	26.
27. Private Corporations	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	5	27.
28. Mines and Mining	13	8	8	10	10	9	12	12	12	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	6	6	--	10	--	--	--	5	6	28.
EDUCATION																										
29. Educational Institutions	14	10	11	11	11	13	10	10	8	8	11	12	9	9	7	8	8	7	--	12	20	--	23	--	--	29.
30. Public Schools	15	14	15	18	18	10	11	11	13	14	10	10	10	10	9	11	15	17	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	30.
31. Schools and Educational Institutions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	23	17	31.
32. Public Library	5	5	5	6	6	7	6	6	5	7	--	--	8	8	7	5	7	7	--	7	6	--	8	6	3	32.
33. Special School Code	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	--	--	--	33.
ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL DISTRICTS																										
34. Elections	11	11	11	13	13	10	13	13	9	8	9	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	34.
35. Elections and Contests	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	5	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	35.
36. Election Reform	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	5	7	--	--	9	--	4	5	5	36.

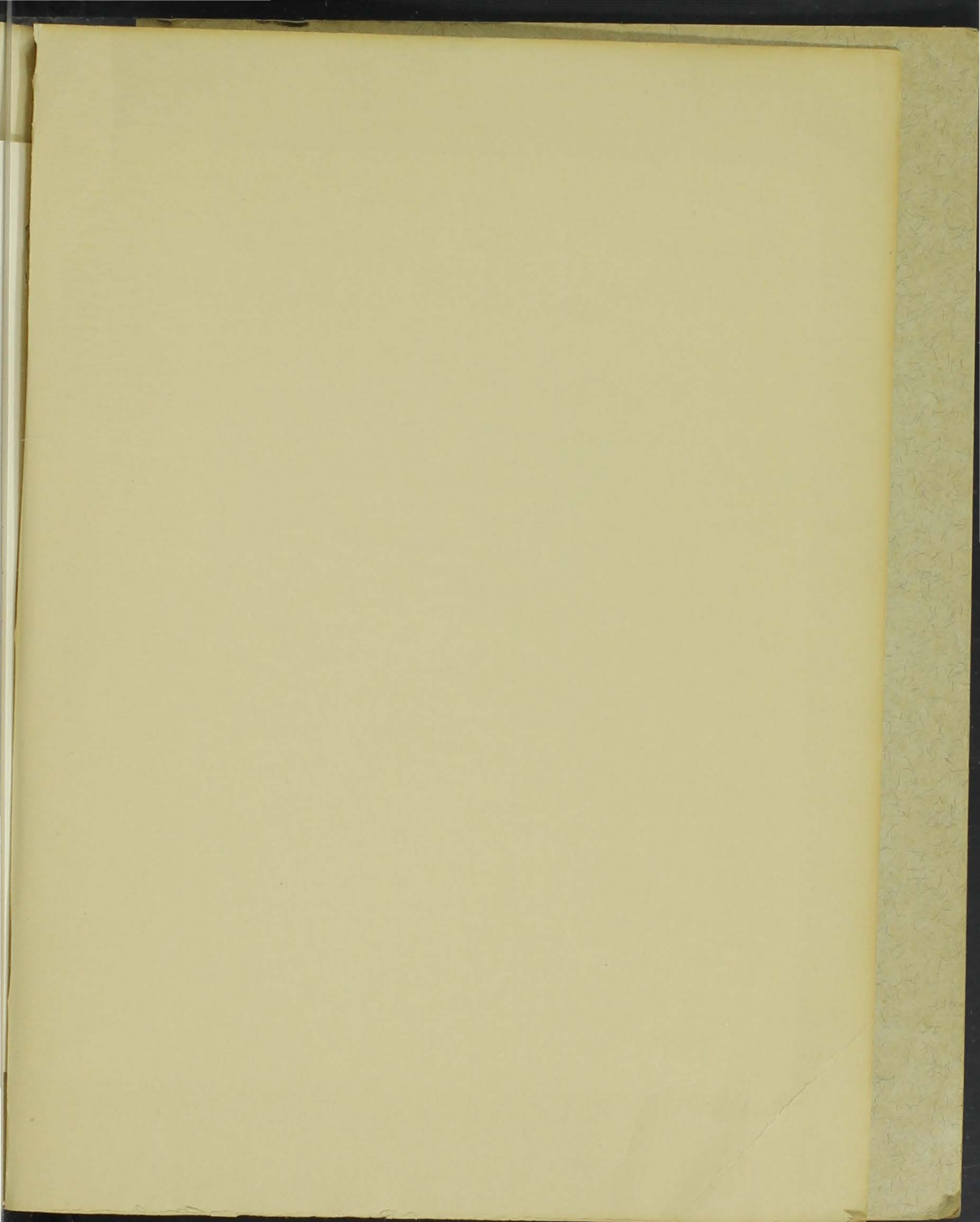
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ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL DISTRICTS (cont.)																										
37. Senatorial and Representative Districts	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	37.
38. Congressional and Judicial Districts	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	38.
39. Congressional, Judicial and Representative Districts	--	5	18	17	17	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	39.
40. Political Districts	--	--	--	--	--	9	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	40.
41. Judicial Districts	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	41.
42. Political and Judicial Districts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	13	16	9	9	5	5	5	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	42.
43. State Political Districts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	43.
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS																										
44. Cities and Towns	15	14	19	22	22	18	19	19	17	16	10	10	14	14	21	22	23	20	--	18	24	--	17	20	14	44.
45. County and Township Affairs	9	11	11	11	11	9	11	11	9	9	11	11	9	9	8	7	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	45.
46. Governmental Affairs	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	11	--	7	14	7	46.
47. Compensation of Public Officers	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	7	7	8	--	--	9	9	8	6	6	6	--	6	9	--	10	--	--	47.
48. Compensation of Public Officers and Employees	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	7	48.
49. Departmental Affairs	--	8	8	8	8	10	7	7	6	7	9	9	9	9	9	6	5	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	49.
50. Consolidation and Coordination of State Government	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	50.
51. State Accounting System	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	51.
52. State Planning	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11	11	12	6	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	52.
53. Greater Iowa	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	7	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	53.
54. Post War	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	54.
55. Iowa Development	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	--	11	7	5	55.
56. Interstate Cooperation	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	6	6	--	--	3	--	5	5	5	56.
57. Federal Coordination	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	11	11	10	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	57.
58. National Defense Coordination	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	12	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	58.
59. Federal Relations	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	59.
60. National Defense and Post War	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	60.

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PRINTING																												
79. Printing		7	6	7	7	7	6	7	7	5	5	9	10	7	7	7	6	6	6	--	5	5	--	5	5	5	79.	
PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND LANDS																												
80. Public Buildings		5	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	80.	
81. Public Lands		5	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	81.	
82. Public Buildings and Lands		--	--	5	6	6	8	8	8	6	6	--	--	6	6	7	5	7	7	--	10	10	--	7	8	3	82.	
PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE																												
83. Board of Control		10	8	8	10	10	10	14	14	13	12	8	8	--	--	--	11	13	14	--	11	13	--	14	13	11	83.	
84. Board of Control and Public Welfare		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	9	11	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	84.	
85. Penitentiaries and Pardons		8	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	85.	
86. Charitable Institutions		5	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	86.	
87. Charitable, Correctional, and Penal Institutions		--	--	6	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	87.	
88. Charitable and Correctional Institutions		--	--	--	--	6	8	7	7	6	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	88.	
89. Social Security		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	89.	
90. Public Health		12	8	10	11	11	12	13	13	10	--	9	9	11	11	11	10	11	--	14	13	--	17	17	13	90.		
91. Child Welfare		--	--	--	--	--	10	8	8	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	--	13	13	--	14	14	10	91.		
92. Public Health and Child Welfare		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	92.	
93. Liquor Control		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	93.	
94. Pharmacy		8	5	6	7	7	8	8	8	7	6	--	--	5	5	5	8	7	5	--	--	--	--	10	--	--	94.	
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION																												
95. Telegraph and Telephone		12	5	7	11	11	8	12	12	11	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	95.	
96. Public Utilities		12	13	16	22	22	10	10	10	9	9	9	10	9	9	11	12	13	15	--	10	15	--	10	13	13	96.	

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General Assembly Number	37	38	39	40	Ex.	41	42	Ex.	43	44	45	Ex.	46	Ex.	47	48	49	50	Ex.	51	52	Ex.	53	54	1953	
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION (cont)																										
97. Highways	20	20	24	28	28	23	26	26	24	24	12	12	11	11	15	15	15	15	--	16	20	--	17	17	17	97.
98. Motor Vehicles and Transportation	7	5	8	9	9	10	17	17	14	14	12	13	10	10	13	13	14	13	--	11	15	--	12	--	--	98.
99. Motor Vehicles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	99.
100. Railroads	22	13	13	20	19	12	17	17	11	12	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	13	12	100.
101. Aeronautics	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	8	--	--	--	--	--	9	10	9	--	10	12	--	10	10	5	101.
102. Railroads and Aeronautics	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	9	9	9	--	5	5	--	7	8	--	5	6	5	102.
103. Boundary Bridges	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	10	10	7	--	--	11	11	6	6	6	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	103.
WAYS AND MEANS																										
104. Ways and Means	17	11	18	27	27	16	19	19	19	21	17	18	9	9	11	17	17	19	--	18	24	--	26	21	15	104.
105. Retrenchment and Reform	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	--	5	5	5	5	5	5	--	5	5	--	5	--	--	105.
106. Reduction of Expenditures	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	19	24	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	106.
107. Tax Revision	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	--	14	--	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	11	--	15	9	7	107.
108. Tax Reduction	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	108.
109. Income Tax Reduction	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	109.
110. Special Tax Revision	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	110.
MISCELLANEOUS																										
111. Emergency Legislation	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	10	7	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	111.
TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEES	44	46	44	44	43	46	50	50	51	52	35	36	42	42	43	50	51	52	1	36	35	2	36	36	36	
TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS	447	390	455	541	536	484	551	551	505	539	346	394	374	374	405	431	463	492	3	388	436	8	415	420	335	
AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS PER SENATOR	8.94	7.80	9.10	10.82	10.72	9.68	11.02	11.02	10.10	10.78	6.92	7.88	7.48	7.48	8.10	8.62	9.26	9.84	7.76	8.72		8.30	8.40	6.70		
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