

Discovering ProQuest Congressional

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ProQuest Congressional (formerly LexisNexis Congressional)

- This database is available to all EPA employees and users on the network through the Desktop Library
- The database has different subscription levels, and we have subscribed to the basic level
- You can see what documents and titles are included in this database, as well as to which level of subscribers in their [content coverage chart](#)
- The legislative documents collection contains legislative histories, bills & laws, vote reports, committee prints, and misc. publications, the daily congressional record, hearings, house & senate documents, and house & senate reports.

Legislative Histories

- We have spotty coverage for legislative histories from 1969-1984
- We have abbreviated histories for all laws from 1984 to 1998
- We have full legislative histories from all laws 1999 to present day
- You can search by title, or by subject.
- You can narrow your search by year or by congressional term.

Bills by Number

- Full bill text is only available 1989 to present day
- Can view bill sponsors and bill profile reports

Members of Congress

- Can view current and past members of congress' member profiles
- The member profile contains bills they sponsored, remarks they gave, their floor voting record, which committees they were on, etc.
- Can also look up a member in conjunction with a keyword, like "asbestos"
- You can also narrow down your results by document type (reports, bills, remarks, etc.)

Regulations

- Contains full text of the federal register from 1980 to present
- Contains full text of the code of federal regulations from 1981 to present
- You can limit your search by agency and keyword
- You can also limit your search to a type of action, like final rules, proposed rules or meeting notices

News & Social Media

- You can search the Washington Post, RollCall Newspaper and CQ Political Transcripts
- You can also search the social media accounts (youtube, twitter, facebook, press releases and weblogs) of members of congress and federal agencies and other non-members, for mentions of a keyword or phrase.
- Coverage for Social Media only goes back to 2014