53. Civil Rights Commission Authorization (H.R. 7271)

Roll Call #91, May 17, 1971

This bill authorized a $600,000 increase to $4 million in the appropriations for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

House Report #179.

126. School Desegregation Aid (H.R. 2266)

Roll Call #329, November 1, 1971

The House defeated this bill which proposed an authorization of $1.5 billion in federal aid to school districts which are desegregating. It was called the Emergency School Aid Act of 1971.

Although it was claimed in debate that the bill would force no school district to bus children, many objected to authorizing federal aid part of which would be used to pay for busing. Objections were also voiced against bringing up this expensive authorization bill under suspension of the rules procedure which prevents amendments. See vote #241.

House Report #576.

31. Education Appropriations (H.R. 7016)

Amendment

Recorded Teller Vote #53, April 7, 1971

This amendment sought to strike out anti-forced busing provisions from the bill.

A "nay" vote was a vote to keep these anti-forced busing provisions in the bill, while a "yea" vote was a vote to take them out of the bill.

154. Busing Information (H.Res. 539)

Motion to Discharge Committee from Consideration of Resolution

Roll Call #229, August 2, 1971

A "yea" vote on this motion to discharge the House Education and Labor Committee from further consideration of H.Res. 539 was in effect to bring to the House floor this resolution which directed the HEW Secretary to furnish the House with a list of public school systems which will be receiving federal funds and which will be engaging in busing school children to achieve racial balance, plus other documents.
155. **Busing Information** (H.Res. 539)

The House adopted this resolution calling for the HEW Secretary to furnish information on busing.

156. **Higher Education** (H.R. 7248)

Amendment

Recorded Teller Vote #354, November 4, 1971

This amendment was designed to delay the implementation of any U.S. District Court order to force busing to achieve racial balance, etc., until such time as all appeals have been exhausted or the time for taking such appeals has expired.

157. **Higher Education** (H.R. 7248)

Amendment

Recorded Teller Vote #355, November 4, 1971

This amendment (to an amendment) added language that forbade any officer or employee of HEW, or the Office of Education, or any other federal agency to force states to expend state or local funds for purposes for which federal funds cannot be expended. This amendment was added to an amendment prohibiting the use of federal funds for busing to overcome racial imbalance.

158. **Higher Education** (H.R. 7248)

Amendment

Recorded Teller Vote #356, November 4, 1971

The House rejected this amendment (to an amendment) which would have permitted the use of federal funds for busing to overcome racial imbalance in cases where a school district, etc., is carrying out a plan of school desegregation pursuant to a court order.

159. **Higher Education** (H.R. 7248)

Anti-Busing Amendment

Roll Call #357, November 4, 1971

In a clear cut vote on the question of busing, the House adopted the amendment which prohibited the use of federal funds for busing of students or teachers to overcome racial imbalance, or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation, and forbade federal officers or employees to force states to spend state or local funds for such busing.

A "yea" vote was a vote against use of federal funds for busing while a "nay" vote was a vote to allow the use of such funds for busing.
241. Higher Education (H.R. 7248) Amendment
Recorded Teller Vote #359, November 4, 1971
This amendment added the proposed Emergency School Aid Act of 1971 to the bill, authorizing $1.5 billion in federal aid for school districts which are desegregating, but with the use of these funds modified so that they could not be used for busing.

See vote #216.

243. Higher Education (H.R. 7248)
Roll Call #361, November 4, 1971
On this vote the House passed the higher education bill. This bill amended and extended federal programs to aid colleges, authorized a general aid to higher education program, set up a National Institute of Education and authorized $1.5 billion in federal aid to school districts which are desegregating, with provisions prohibiting federal aid for busing to overcome racial imbalance, etc.

House Report #554.

Passage was subsequently vacated and S. 659 passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House-passed bill.
173. Equal Employment (H.R. 1746) Amendment
Recorded Teller Vote #261, September 16, 1971 

The House adopted this amendment providing a substitute bill which gave the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission the right to bring suit in the federal courts for enforcement of federal anti-job discrimination laws, instead of the committee version of the bill which gave the EEOC cease and desist order powers and enlarged its jurisdiction.

174. Equal Employment (H.R. 1746) Amendment
Roll Call #262, September 16, 1971 

The House voted a second time to accept the amendment providing for the substitute bill described in the previous vote.

175. Equal Employment (H.R. 1746) Recommital Motion
Roll Call #263, September 16, 1971 

A "yea" vote on this recommital motion was in effect a vote to kill the bill.

176. Equal Employment (H.R. 1746) Roll Call #264, September 16, 1971 

The House passed H.R. 1746, the Equal Employment Enforcement Act, in the form of the substitute bill agreed to in votes #173-4.

House Report #238.

195. Equal Rights Amendment (H.J.Res. 208) Amendment
Recorded Teller Vote #292, October 12, 1971 

The House defeated this amendment which proposed specifying that the constitutional amendment apply to both citizens and noncitizens.

196. Equal Rights Amendment (H.J.Res. 208) Amendment
Recorded Teller Vote #293, October 12, 1971 

The House defeated this amendment to retain Congressional authority to exempt women from the draft and to retain laws characterized as "reasonably promoting the health and safety of the people."
197. Equal Rights Amendment (H.J. Res. 208)
Roll Call #294, October 12, 1971


YEA NAY
Reps. 137 12
Dems. 217 12
Passed 354 24

156. Women's Rights (H.R. 3628)
Roll Call #231, August 2, 1971

The object of this bill was to further provide equality of treatment for married women federal employees.

YEA NAY
Reps. 153 9
Dems. 224 2
Passed 377 11

House Report #415.

245. Prayer Amendment (H.J. Res. 191)
Discharge Motion
Roll Call #365, November 8, 1971

This motion discharged the House Judiciary Committee from further consideration of the Prayer Amendment.

YEA NAY
Reps. 129 33
Dems. 113 123
Passed 242 156

246. Prayer Amendment (H.J. Res. 191)
Roll Call #366, November 8, 1971

H.J. Res. 191 proposed submitting to the states for action the following Prayer Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: "Nothing contained in the Constitution shall abridge the right of persons lawfully assembled, in any public building which is supported in whole or in part through the expenditure of public funds, to participate in voluntary prayer or meditation." This resolution failed to receive the two-thirds majority required.
38. Higher Education (S. 659)  
Motion to Table Motion  
Roll Call #65, March 8, 1972  

The House defeated this motion to  
table a motion to instruct House conferees  
to insist on House anti-Federal aid  
to busing provisions. In effect a "yea"  
vote could be considered a vote against Defeated  
strong anti-Federal aid to busing provisions.

39. Higher Education (S. 659)  
Motion to Insist on Anti Federal Aid  
To Busing Provisions  
Roll Call #66, March 8, 1972  

After defeat of the motion to the  
table, the House passed this motion to  
instruct House conferees to  
insist on House-passed anti Federal  
aid to busing provisions in the  
Higher Education bill.

A "yea" vote was a vote for the strong House-passed  
anti Federal aid to busing provisions, while a "nay"  
vote was a vote against insisting on these strong  
provisions.

93. Higher Education(S. 659)  
Motion to Table Motion to Insist on  
strong anti Federal Aid to busing amendments  
Roll Call # 143, May 11, 1972  

The House defeated a motion to table  
a motion instructing House conferees to  
to insist on a strong anti Federal aid  
to busing amendments.  
Defeated 126 273

94. Higher Education(S. 659)  
Motion Instructing House Conferees to  
Insist on strong anti Federal aid to  
busing amendments,  
Roll Call #144, May 11, 1972  

A "yea" vote on this motion was a vote  
to instruct House conferees to insist  
on strong anti Federal aid to busing  
amendments, while a "nay" vote was a  
vote against insisting on these strong  
amendments. See Vote #131.  
Defeated 275 125

131. Higher Education (S.659)  
Conference Report  
Roll Call #195, June 8, 1972  

The House adopted the conference report on  
S.659, the Higher Education bill  
authorizing $2 billion for higher education  
and school desegregation aid and  
containing watered down anti-busing  
provisions.

Various "nay" votes were cast by Members who  
considered the watered-down anti-busing  
provisions either too weak or too strong, and  
many of the "yea" votes were cast by Members  
who did not want to defeat this education bill  
even if they were not in agreement with its  
language on busing. See votes #93 94.
40. Equal Employment (H.R. 1746)

Conference Report

Roll Call #67, March 8, 1972

The House adopted the conference report on the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972 which provided for extended coverage and strengthened enforcement in the field of equal employment opportunity.

House Report #238

36. Federal Jurors (H.R. 2589)

Roll Call #62, March 6, 1972

This bill required questions on race and occupation to be answered on qualification forms for prospective federal jurors for aid in enforcement of nondiscrimination in federal jury selection.

House Report #670

22. Select Committee on Privacy (H. Res. 164)

Roll Call #33, February 8, 1972

The House defeated this resolution which proposed establishing a Select Committee on Privacy, Human Values and Democratic Institutions. Opponents claimed that creation of this new committee would be a duplication of effort and waste of money.

House Report #218

116. Subversive Activities Control Board (H.R. 9669)

Roll Call #173, May 30, 1972

This bill proposed specifying duties for the Subversive Activities Control Board, to investigate and compile a list of subversive type organizations whose members would be denied federal employment.

"Yea" voters felt that this action would help root out subversives from federal employment. "Nay" voters argued that the bill was unconstitutional because of alleged vagueness, delegation of legislative authority to the executive branch, etc. See vote #108.

House Report #92-1056
29. Rules of Evidence (S. 583)
Roll Call # 48, March 14, 1973

This bill in effect provided for additional time for Congressional consideration of proposed new rules of evidence for the federal courts and prevented their automatic introduction July 1, 1973.

House Report #93-55

76. Indian Claims Commission (H.R. 4967)
Roll Call # 124, May 7, 1973

This bill authorized $1.2 million for the Indian Claims Commission for fiscal year 1974 and authorized a $900,000 increase in the Indian expert witness revolving loan fund.

House Report # 93-112

160. Law Enforcement Aid (H.R. 8152)
Amendment
Roll Call # 235, June 18, 1973

This amendment made it optional rather than mandatory that state planning agencies and regional planning units include representatives of citizen, professional and community organizations.

161. Law Enforcement Aid (H.R. 8152)
Amendment
Roll Call # 236, June 18, 1973

This amendment added language stating that nothing in the bill shall be construed to require the adoption by a grantee of a quota or other type of system to achieve racial balance or to deny or end a grant because of refusal to adopt such a quota system, etc.

162. Law Enforcement Aid (H.R. 8152)
Roll Call # 237, June 18, 1973

This bill authorized $1 billion for each fiscal years of 1974 and 1975 for the Law Enforcement Administration.

House Report # 93-249
360. Spanish-Speaking People (H. R. 10397)
Roll Call #487, October 1, 1973
This bill proposed extending the authorization
for appropriations for the Cabinet Committee
on Opportunities for Spanish-speaking people.
It failed to pass under suspension of the rules
procedure requiring a 2/3 majority.
House Report #93-528

397. Spanish Speaking People (H. R. 10397)
Roll Call #547, October 18, 1973
This bill authorized $1.5 million for the Cabinet
Committee on Opportunities for Spanish
Speaking People.
See vote # 360
House Report #93-528

486. Energy Bill (H. R. 11450)
Amendment
Roll Call #662, December 13, 1973
This amendment banned the allocation
of gasoline for busing students (in most
cases) to a school farther than the
school nearest their homes. A "Nay"
vote was in effect a vote to allow allocation
of gasoline for extensive busing of students.

492. Energy Bill (H. R. 11450)
Amendment
Roll Call #669, December 14, 1973
This amendment sought to allow for the
allocation of petroleum for school busing
only where a busing plan had been ordered
by the appropriate school board.