Legislative histories, which review the complete legislative cycle, are frequently compiled to analyze the legislative intent of a particular law or interpret a statute. If the legislation’s number or citation is unknown, try locating it by text searching law reviews, news databases, or legislative resources listed below. Popular name tables from the U.S. Code or Cornell’s Legal Information Institute are also helpful.

Examine the following sources to initiate a legislative review. Consult a librarian for further assistance.

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