

- A. Civil rights.
- B. The election of new legislators in the 1950s and 1960s (and tell who the important ones were).
- C. The seniority system.
- D. The rise of what you call an adversarial media.
- E. The 1970s reforms.
- F. The creation and rise of CSpan. (What is the answer to the argument that CSpan's coverage of the two chambers is a joke, because it is not allowed to show that the chambers are empty, so viewers get a wholly wrong idea?)
- G. The rise of CNN and the other 24 hour news networks. (Explain how this changed the legislative process in a variety of ways.)
- H. The iron triangles.
- I. The rise of the first public interest lobbying groups.
- J. The subsequent proliferation of a huge number of special interest lobbying groups, think tanks, lobbyists, additional print media, etc.
- K. Efforts to control the giving and use of money in politics. (When you get right down to it, these efforts have been a gross failure, have they not? Campaigns now cost, and pols now raise, more money -- by far -- than ever before.)
- L. Increased staffs for individual legislators, committees and subcommittees.
- M. Secret balloting for positions in Congress.
- N. Teller voting on the floor.
- O. The increase in the amount of information available to legislators. Explain where all the information comes from.
- P. Independent counsels and grand juries.

- Q. The rise of the Republican Party in the South. (Isn't it true that the South has always been a one party section -- in effect a conservative party section -- even though its pols were first called Democrats and now are called Republicans?)
- R. Attacks on committee chairs.
- S. The increase in partisanship.
- T. Divided government.
- U. The one man, one vote rule plus gerrymandering.
- V. The budget process in Congress, and the fact that most of the budget is already "spoken for" by preexisting commitments.
- W. Divided jurisdiction over bills.
- X. Organized labor's resistance to various reforms.
- Y. Changes in rules of ethics.
- Z. Use of TV by individual politicians.
- Z-1. Not allowing floor amendments or the introduction of substitute bills on the floor, limits placed on debate, loading of conference committees.

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