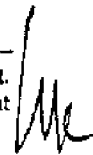


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MEMORANDUM

May 6, 1993

TO: The Members of the Executive Committee

FROM: Samuel D. Chilcote, Jr. 

SUBJECT: U.S. House of Representatives Smoking Policy

The House Building Commission (consisting of three Members: the Speaker, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader) met today to consider House Smoking Restrictions. Although nothing is yet available in written form, we have learned that the following elements will form the essence of the new policy (essentially dictated by the Speaker):

- No smoking in elevators, hallways and restrooms.
- Designated smoking areas to be recommended by Architect of the Capitol.
- No smoking in House restaurant except in areas designated as smoking areas by the House Committee on Administration (chaired by Congressman Rose).
- Each Member sets the smoking policy for his or her office. Each Committee Chairman sets the policy for his or her committee offices.

Needless to say, if these guidelines are the key to the written policy, that policy, when issued, will be very substantially more liberal towards smokers than the Traficant approach (total ban), the Durbin approach (ban except for separately-ventilated smoking areas), or existing GSA policy for the executive branch (essentially the Durbin approach in many departments).

Reportedly, Mrs. Foley had a question about potential liability to non-smokers. She has been provided with a copy of the enclosed memorandum regarding that issue.

The written version will be provided as soon as it is available. We will also be prepared to encourage favorable news coverage when an announcement is made.

SDC/sr

Enclosures

cc: Management Committee
Committee of Counsel
T.I. Senior Staff