

Barbara Sinclair: "Changes in the Senate"
D&O Chapter 1

1. Realignment of the South into the Republican Party transformed the national agenda and **made the Senate more Partisan.**
2. Changes in Information Technology and the Rise in Real Income coupled with (1) Increased the **Individualistic** Tendencies of Senators.
3. The Effects of Individualism and Partisanship:
 - a. Multiple Committee and Subcommittee Assignments - Everyone is a Chairperson.
 - b. The Effect on Senate Rules:
 - i. Non-Germane Amendments
 - ii. Extended Debate (Filibuster) and its Effects - **Unanimous Consent Agreements, Holds, and Blue Slips**

Senate: 1919-2008 Cloture Votes to End Filibusters

