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C 3	Census Bureau (Commerce Department)
D	Defense Department
E	Energy Department
ED	Education Department
EP	Environmental Protection Agency
GA	Government Accountability Office
GP	Government Publishing Office
HE 20.7000:	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
HS	Homeland Security Department
I	Interior Department
I 19	U.S. Geological Survey (Interior Department)
J	Justice Department
JU	Judiciary
L	Labor Department
LC	Library of Congress
NAS	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
S	State Department
SSA	Social Security Administration
SI	Smithsonian Institution
T 22	Internal Revenue Service (Treasury Department)
X, Y	Congress
Y 4	Congressional Committees

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