

§ 31a-2a. Transfer of funds from representation allowance of Majority and Minority Leaders of Senate to expense allowance; availability; definitions

(a) The Secretary of the Senate shall, upon the written request of the Majority or Minority Leader of the Senate, transfer from any available funds in such Leader's allotment in the Leader's Representation Allowance (as defined in subsection (b)(1) of this section) for any fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1985) to such Leader's Expense Allowance (as defined in subsection (b)(2) of this section) to such year such amount as is specified in the request. Any funds so transferred for any fiscal year at the request of either such Leader shall be available to such Leader for such year for the same purposes as, and in like manner and subject to the same conditions as, are other funds which are available to him for such year as his expense allowance as Majority or Minority Leader.

(b)(1) The term "Leader's Representation Allowance" means the Representation Allowance Account for the Majority and Minority Leaders established by section 31a-2 of this title.

(2) The term "Leader's Expense Allowance", when used in reference to the Majority or Minority Leader of the Senate, refers to the moneys available, for any fiscal year, to such Leader as an expense allowance and the appropriation account from which such moneys are funded.

(Pub. L. 100-71, title I, § 1, July 11, 1987, 101 Stat. 422.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1987.

§ 31a-2b. Transfer of funds from appropriations account of Majority and Minority Leaders of Senate to appropriations account for "Miscellaneous Items" within Senate contingent fund

(a) Requests for transfers

Upon the written request of the Majority or Minority Leader of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer during any fiscal year, from the appropriations account appropriated under the headings "Salaries, Officers and Employees" and "Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders", such amount as either Leader shall specify to the appropriations account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, "Miscellaneous Items".

(b) Authority to incur expenses

The Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate are each authorized to incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by either such leader shall be paid from the amount transferred pursuant to subsection (a) of this section by such leader and upon vouchers approved by such leader.

(c) Authority to advance sums

The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to advance such sums as may be necessary to defray expenses incurred in carrying out subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(Pub. L. 102-27, title II, Apr. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 144.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Dire Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Consequences of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Food Stamps, Unemployment Compensation Administration, Veterans Compensation and Pensions, and Other Urgent Needs Act of 1991.

§ 31a-3. Expense allowance for Chairmen of Majority and Minority Conference Committees of Senate; method of payment; taxability

For each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1985), there is hereby authorized an expense allowance for the Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Conference Committees which shall not exceed \$3,000 each fiscal year for each such Chairman; and amounts from such allowance shall be paid to either of such Chairmen only as reimbursement for actual expenses incurred by him and upon certification and documentation of such expenses, and amounts so paid shall not be reported as income and shall not be allowed as a deduction under title 26.

(Pub. L. 99-88, title I, Aug. 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 348.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1985.

§ 31b. Expense allowance of Speaker of House of Representatives

There shall be paid to the Speaker of the House of Representatives in equal monthly installments an expense allowance of \$10,000 per annum (which shall be in lieu of the allowance provided by section 601(b)¹ of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended) to assist in defraying expenses relating to or resulting from the discharge of his official duties, for which no accounting, other than for income tax purposes, shall be made by him.

(Jan. 19, 1949, ch. 2, § 1(e), 63 Stat. 4; Oct. 20, 1951, ch. 521, title VI, § 619(c), 65 Stat. 570.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 601(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended, referred to in text, was classified to section 31a of this title, and was repealed by act Mar. 2, 1955, ch. 9, § 4(b), 69 Stat. 11, eff. Mar. 1, 1955.

AMENDMENTS

1951—Act Oct. 20, 1951, made Speaker's expense allowance taxable.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1951 AMENDMENT

Amendment by act Oct. 20, 1951, effective at noon, Jan. 3, 1953, see section 619(e) of act Oct. 20, 1951, set out as a note under section 102 of Title 3, The President.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective at noon, Jan. 20, 1949, see section 3 of act Jan. 19, 1949.

CROSS REFERENCES

Adjustment of allowances by Committee on House Administration, see section 57 of this title.

¹ See References in Text note below.

§ 31b-1. Former Speakers of House of Representatives; retention of office, furniture, etc., in Congressional district following expiration of term as Representative; exceptions

(a) Each former Speaker of the House of Representatives (hereafter referred to in sections 31b-1 to 31b-7 of this title as the “Speaker”) is entitled to retain, for as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as a Representative in Congress the complete and exclusive use of one office selected by him in order to facilitate the administration, settlement, and conclusion of matters pertaining to or arising out of his incumbency in office as a Representative in Congress and as Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such office shall be located in the United States and shall be furnished and maintained by the Government in a condition appropriate for his use.

(b) Sections 31b-1 to 31b-7 of this title shall not apply with respect to any former Speaker of the House of Representatives for any period during which such former Speaker holds an appointive or elective office or position in or under the Federal Government or the government of the District of Columbia to which is attached a rate of pay other than a nominal rate or to any former Speaker separated from the service by reason of expulsion from the House.

(Pub. L. 91-665, ch. VIII, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1989; Pub. L. 93-532, §1, Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723; Pub. L. 99-225, Dec. 28, 1985, 99 Stat. 1743.)

CODIFICATION

Subsection (a) of this section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665.

Subsection (b) of this section is based on section 1(b) of Pub. L. 93-532.

As originally enacted into permanent law, section applied to Speaker of House of Representatives in 91st Congress and has been extended to apply to each former Speaker of House of Representatives. See section 1(a) of Pub. L. 93-532, set out as a note under this section.

AMENDMENTS

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-225 substituted “one office selected by him in order to facilitate the administration, settlement, and conclusion of matters pertaining to or arising out of his incumbency in office as a Representative in Congress and as Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such office shall be located in the United States and shall be furnished and maintained by the Government in a condition appropriate for his use” for “the Federal office space which is currently made available for his use in the congressional district represented by him and which shall be maintained by the Government in a condition appropriate for his use as he may request, together with all furniture, equipment, and furnishings currently made available by the Government for his use in connection with such office space, including any necessary replacements of such office furniture, equipment, and furnishings, in order to facilitate the administration, settlement, and conclusion of matters pertaining to or arising out of his incumbency in office as a Representative in Congress and as Speaker of the House of Representatives”.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 7 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, as enacted into permanent law

by Pub. L. 91-665, provided that: “The foregoing provisions of this resolution [enacting sections 31b-1 to 31b-6 of this title] shall become effective on the date of the enactment of this resolution as permanent law [Jan. 8, 1971].”

EXTENSION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1238, 91ST CONGRESS, TO FORMER SPEAKERS OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1(a) of Pub. L. 93-532 provided that: “The provisions of H. Res. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, as enacted into permanent law by the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1971 (84 Stat. 1989) [enacting sections 31b-1 to 31b-6 of this title and provision set out as a note under this section], are hereby extended to, and made applicable with respect to, each former Speaker of the House of Representatives, as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as Representative in Congress.”

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 31b-7 of this title.

§ 31b-2. Allowance available to former Speaker for payment of office and other expenses for administration, etc., of matters pertaining to incumbency in office as Representative and Speaker

The Speaker is entitled to have the contingent fund of the House be available for payment of, for as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as a Representative in Congress, an allowance equal to the base allowance component of the Official Expenses Allowance then currently in effect for each Member of the House (to be paid in the same manner as such Allowance) for office and other expenses incurred in connection with the administration, settlement, and conclusion of matters pertaining to or arising out of his incumbency in office as a Representative in Congress and as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 91-665, ch. VIII, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1989; Pub. L. 93-532, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723; Pub. L. 99-151, title I, §102(b), Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 797.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665.

As originally enacted into permanent law, section applied to Speaker of House of Representatives in 91st Congress and has been extended to apply to each former Speaker of House of Representatives. See section 1(a) of Pub. L. 93-532, set out as a note under section 31b-1 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1985—Pub. L. 99-151 substituted “have the contingent fund of the House be available for payment of” for “reimbursement, from the contingent fund of the House” and “an allowance equal to the base allowance component of the Official Expenses Allowance then currently in effect for each Member of the House (to be paid in the same manner as such Allowance)” for “in the manner provided by applicable provisions of the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955, as amended by the Act of June 13, 1957 (71 Stat. 82; Public Law 85-54), and by the provisions of House Resolution 831, Eighty-eighth Congress, adopted August 14, 1964, enacted as permanent law by section 103 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation