

§ 5162. Republican Policy Committee

(a) In general

There is established in the House of Representatives an office to be known as the Republican Policy Committee, which shall have such responsibilities as may be assigned by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican Party, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives).

(b) Salaries and expenses

There shall be a lump sum allowance for the salaries and expenses of the Republican Policy Committee, which shall be treated as a category of House leadership offices for purposes of section 5507(c) of this title, and which shall be obligated and expended as directed by the Speaker (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican party, the Minority Leader).

(c) Applicability

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2005 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, §109, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3177; Pub. L. 112-74, div. G, title I, §102(a), (b), Dec. 23, 2011, 125 Stat. 1121.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 74a-13 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005, which is div. G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005.

AMENDMENTS

2011—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 112-74, §102(a), substituted “the Speaker of the House of Representatives (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican Party, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives)” for “the chair of the Republican Conference”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112-74, §102(b), inserted “, and which shall be obligated and expended as directed by the Speaker (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican party, the Minority Leader)” before period at end.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2011 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 112-74, div. G, title I, §102(c), Dec. 23, 2011, 125 Stat. 1121, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2012 and each succeeding fiscal year.”

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SUBCHAPTER I—MEMBER PAY

§ 5301. Representatives’ and Delegates’ salaries payable monthly

Representatives and Delegates-elect to Congress, whose credentials in due form of law have been duly filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, in accordance with the provisions of section 26 of this title, may receive their compensation monthly, from the beginning of their term until the beginning of the first session of each Congress, upon a certificate in the form now in use to be signed by the Clerk of the House, which certificate shall have the like force and effect as is given to the certificate of the Speaker.

(R.S. §38; Mar. 3, 1875, ch. 130, §1, 18 Stat. 389.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 34 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

R.S. §38 derived from act Mar. 3, 1873, ch. 226, §1, 17 Stat. 488.

§ 5302. Salaries payable monthly after taking oath

Each Member and Delegate, after he has taken and subscribed the required oath, is entitled to receive his salary at the end of each month.

(R.S. §39.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 35 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

R.S. §39 derived from Res. Mar. 29, 1867, No. 18, 15 Stat. 24.

§ 5303. End-of-the-month salary payment schedule inapplicable to Senators

Section 5302 of this title shall not be construed as being applicable to a Senator.

(Pub. L. 97-51, §112(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 963.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 35a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Provisions of subsec. (c) of section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51 that such subsec. (c) would apply on and after the effective date of the amendments and repeals made by section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51 were omitted in the codification of this section since their impact was identical to that of the effective date provisions of subsec. (e) of section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 6301 of this title. See Effective Date note below.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective in the case of compensation payable for months after December 1981, see section 112(e) of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 6301 of this title.

§ 5304. Salaries of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners elected for unexpired terms

The salaries of Representatives in Congress, Delegates from Territories, and Resident Commissioners, elected for unexpired terms, shall commence on the date of their election and not before.

(July 16, 1914, ch. 141, §1, 38 Stat. 458.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 37 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

§ 5305. Disposition of unpaid salary and other sums on death of Representative or Resident Commissioner

When any individual who has been elected a Member of, or Resident Commissioner to, the House of Representatives dies after the commencement of the Congress to which he has been elected, any unpaid balance of salary and other sums due such individual shall be paid to the person or persons surviving at the date of death, in the following order of precedence, and such payment shall be a bar to the recovery by any other person of amounts so paid:

First, to the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by such individual in writing to receive such unpaid balance and other sums due filed with the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and received by the Chief Administrative Officer prior to such individual's death;

Second, if there be no such beneficiary, to the widow or widower of such individual;

Third, if there be no beneficiary or surviving spouse, to the child or children of such individual, and descendants of deceased children, by representation;

Fourth, if none of the above, to the parents of such individual, or the survivor of them;

Fifth, if there be none of the above, to the duly appointed legal representative of the estate

of the deceased individual, or if there be none, to the person or persons determined to be entitled thereto under the laws of the domicile of the deceased individual.

(July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, §105, 68 Stat. 409; Pub. L. 86-102, July 23, 1959, 73 Stat. 224; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(5), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1725.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 38a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 struck out “(including amounts held in the trust fund account in the office of the Sergeant at Arms)” after “due such individual” in first undesignated par. and substituted “Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and received by the Chief Administrative Officer” for “Sergeant at Arms, and received by the Sergeant at Arms” in second undesignated par.

1959—Pub. L. 86-102 inserted provisions including amounts held in trust fund account, authorizing an individual to designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries, and prescribing order of precedence in cases where no designation of beneficiary has been made.

§ 5306. Deductions for absence

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives (upon certification by the Clerk of the House of Representatives) shall deduct from the monthly payments (or other periodic payments authorized by law) of each Member or Delegate the amount of his salary for each day that he has been absent from the House, unless such Member or Delegate assigns as the reason for such absence the sickness of himself or of some member of his family.

(R.S. §40; Pub. L. 97-51, §112(d), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 963; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(7), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1726; Pub. L. 109-55, title I, §5, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 568.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 39 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

R.S. §40 derived from act Aug. 16, 1856, ch. 123, §6, 11 Stat. 49.

AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109-55 struck out “Secretary of the Senate and the” before “Chief Administrative Officer”, “, respectively,” before “shall deduct from”, “, respectively” before “, unless such Member”, and “Senate or” after “absent from the”.

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives (upon certification by the Clerk of the House of Representatives)” for “Sergeant-at-Arms of the House”.

1981—Pub. L. 97-51 substituted “from the monthly payments (or other periodic payments authorized by law)” for “from the monthly payments”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-51 effective in the case of compensation payable for months after December 1981, see section 112(e) of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as a note under section 6301 of this title.

§ 5307. Certification of salary and mileage accounts

Salary and mileage accounts of Representatives and Delegates shall be certified by the

Speaker of the House of Representatives; and such certificates shall be conclusive upon all the departments and officers of the Government.

(R.S. §§47, 48; Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, §11, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3171.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 48 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

R.S. §47 derived from acts July 28, 1866, ch. 296, §17, 14 Stat. 323, and Jan. 22, 1818, ch. 5, §3, 3 Stat. 404.

R.S. §48 derived from act Sept. 30, 1850, ch. 90, §1, 9 Stat. 523.

R.S. §47 constitutes first clause and R.S. §48 constitutes remainder.

Words “mileage accounts” substituted for words “accounts for traveling expenses in going to and returning from Congress” based on text of section 17 of act July 28, 1866, ch. 296, 14 Stat. 323.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-447 substituted “of Representatives and Delegates shall be certified” for “of Senators shall be certified by the President of the Senate, and those of Representatives and Delegates”.

§ 5308. Substitute to sign certificates for salary and accounts

The Speaker is authorized to designate from time to time some one from among those appointed by him and appropriated for and employed in his office, whose duty it shall be under the direction of the Speaker to sign in his name and for him all certificates required by section 5307 of this title for salary and accounts for traveling expenses in going to and returning from Congress of Representatives and Delegates.

(Nov. 12, 1903, P. Res. No. 1, 33 Stat. 1.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5307 of this title, referred to in text, was in the original “section forty-seven of the Revised Statutes”, which initially enacted part of section 48 of this title and was subsequently reclassified as section 5307 of this title. See Codification notes under sections 48 and 5307 of this title.

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 50 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

§ 5309. Disbursement of compensation of House Members by Chief Administrative Officer

The moneys which have been, or may be, appropriated for the compensation and mileage of Members and Delegates shall be paid at the Treasury on requisitions drawn by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, and shall be kept, disbursed, and accounted for by him according to law, and he shall be a disbursing officer, but he shall not be entitled to any compensation additional to the salary fixed by law.

(Oct. 1, 1890, ch. 1256, §3, 26 Stat. 645; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(25)(B), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1734.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 80 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “Chief Administrative Officer” for “Sergeant-at-Arms”.

§ 5310. Certificate of salary during recess

The Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to sign, during the recess of Congress after the first session and until the first day of the second session, the certificates for the monthly compensation of Members and Delegates in Congress, which certificate shall be in the form in use on August 15, 1876, and shall have the like force and effect as is given to the certificate of the Speaker.

(Aug. 15, 1876, ch. 287, §1, 19 Stat. 145.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 49 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

SUBCHAPTER II—EMPLOYEES

§ 5321. Employees of Members of House of Representatives

(a) In general

Under the Members’ Representational Allowance, each Member of the House of Representatives may employ not more than 18 permanent employees and a total of not more than 4 additional employees in the following categories:

- (1) Interns.
- (2) Part-time employees.
- (3) Shared employees.
- (4) Temporary employees.
- (5) Employees on leave without pay.

(b) Benefit exclusion

For purposes of this section, interns and temporary employees shall be excluded from the operation of the following provisions of title 5:

- (1) Chapter 84 (relating to the Federal Employees’ Retirement System).
- (2) Chapter 87 (relating to life insurance).
- (3) Chapter 89 (relating to health insurance).

(c) Definitions

As used in this section—

(1) the term “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress;

(2) the term “intern” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who serves in the office of the Member for not more than 120 days in a 12-month period and whose service is primarily for the educational experience of the individual;

(3) the term “part-time employee” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who is employed by the Member and whose normally assigned work schedule is not more than the equivalent of 15 full working days per month;

(4) the term “temporary employee” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who is employed for a specific purpose or task and who is employed for not more than 90 days in a 12-month period, except that the term of such employment may be extended with the written ap-

proval of the Committee on House Oversight; and

(5) the term “shared employee” means an employee who is paid by more than one employing authority of the House of Representatives.

(d) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §104, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1720; Pub. L. 105-55, title I, §104(a), Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1183; Pub. L. 106-57, title I, §103(b), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 416.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is comprised of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186. Subsec. (e)(1) of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186 repealed former section 92 of this title. Subsec. (e)(2) and (3) of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186 repealed provisions formerly set out as notes under section 92 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1999—Pub. L. 106-57, §103(b)(2), struck out “Clerk hire” before “Employees” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-57, §103(b)(1), struck out “clerk hire” before “employees” in two places in introductory provisions.

1997—Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 105-55 struck out “in the District of Columbia” after “office of the Member”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-57 applicable with respect to the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress and each succeeding session of Congress, see section 103(c) of Pub. L. 106-57, set out as a note under section 4313 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-55, title I, §104(b), Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1184, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 1997.”

EMPLOYMENT OF PERMANENT CLERKS

House Resolution No. 359, Ninety-sixth Congress, July 20, 1979, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 7593, as passed the House of Representatives on July 21, 1980, and enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 96-536, §101(c), Dec. 16, 1980, 94 Stat. 3167, which related to the employment of employees by Members of House of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners, was repealed by Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §104(e)(2), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.

House Resolution No. 357, Ninety-first Congress, June 25, 1969, as enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-145, §103, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 359, which increased base Clerk Hire allowance of Members of House of Representatives and Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico and authorized them to employ one additional clerk each, was repealed by Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §104(e)(3), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.

§ 5322. Lyndon Baines Johnson congressional interns

(a) Hiring authority of House Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners; allowance for payment of compensation

Until otherwise provided by law and notwithstanding any other provision of law, each Member of, Delegate to, and Resident Commissioner in, the House of Representatives is authorized to hire for two months in any year one additional employee to be known as a Lyndon Baines Johnson congressional intern in honor of the former President. Each such intern shall be a student or a teacher and certified as such under subsection (b) of this section. Each such Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner shall have available for payment of compensation to such intern a total allowance of \$1,000, to be payable to such intern at a rate not to exceed \$500 per month, out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives. Such intern and such allowance shall be in addition to all personnel and allowances made available to such Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner under other provisions of law or other authority.

(b) Certification of intern status; filing

No person shall be paid compensation as a Lyndon Baines Johnson congressional intern who does not have on file with the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, at all times during the period of his employment as such intern, an appropriate certificate which is applicable to his intern status, as described below:

(1) if the intern is a student, a certificate that such intern was during the academic year immediately preceding his employment, a bona fide student at a college, university, or similar institution of higher learning; or

(2) if the intern is a teacher, a certificate that such intern was, in the year immediately preceding his employment, a bona fide teacher in government or social studies at a secondary school or a postsecondary school.

(c) Regulations by Committee on House Oversight

The Committee on House Oversight shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 93-245, ch. VI, Jan. 3, 1974, 87 Stat. 1079; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(6), (7), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1730.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 60g-2 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 420, Ninety-third Congress, Sept. 18, 1973, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 93-245.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-186, §204(7)(A), substituted “applicable accounts of the House of Representatives” for “contingent fund of the House”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-186, §204(6), substituted “Chief Administrative Officer” for “Clerk”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104-186, §204(7)(B), substituted “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 3 of House Resolution No. 420, Ninety-third Congress, as enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 93-245, ch. VI, Jan. 3, 1974, 87 Stat. 1079, provided that: "The provisions of this resolution [enacting this section and repealing House Resolution No. 416, Eighty-ninth Congress, formerly classified to section 60g-2 of this title] shall become effective on January 1, 1974."

§ 5323. Pay of clerical assistants as affected by death of Senator or Representative

When a Senator or Member of the House of Representatives or Delegate or Resident Commissioner dies during his term of office the clerical assistants appointed by him, and then borne upon the pay rolls of the Senate or House of Representatives, shall be continued on such pay rolls in their respective positions and be paid for a period not longer than one month: *Provided*, That this shall not apply to clerical assistants of standing committees of the Senate or House of Representatives, when their service otherwise would continue beyond such period.

(Feb. 23, 1927, ch. 168, § 1, 44 Stat. 1148.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

EMPLOYEES OF SENATE

Pub. L. 98-473, title I, § 123A(a), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1969, provided that this section shall not apply to any employee of Senate.

§ 5324. Pay of clerical assistants as affected by death or resignation of Member of House

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5323 of this title, in case of the death or resignation of a Member of the House during his term of office, the clerical assistants designated by him and borne upon the clerk hire pay rolls of the House of Representatives on the date of such death or resignation shall be continued upon such pay rolls at their respective salaries until the successor to such Member of the House is elected to fill the vacancy.

(Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 600, § 1, 49 Stat. 679; Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 96, 64 Stat. 82; July 15, 1952, ch. 759, § 1, 66 Stat. 662; Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 657.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1966—Pub. L. 89-554 struck out sentence which related to retirement service credit.

1952—Joint Res. July 15, 1952, provided retirement credit to employees for time they were separated from employment following death or resignation of a Member and before election of his successor.

1950—Joint Res. Apr. 24, 1950, struck out second sentence which limited continuance of clerical assistants

of deceased or resigned House Members on pay roll to six months.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Act Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 600, § 4, 49 Stat. 680, provided that: "This joint resolution [enacting sections 5324 to 5326 of this title] shall be effective as of the beginning of the Seventy-fourth Congress, January 3, 1935."

§ 5325. Performance of duties by clerical assistants of dead or resigned Member of House

Any clerical assistants who continue on the House pay rolls under the provisions of section 5324 of this title shall, while so continued, perform their duties under the direction of the Clerk of the House, and he is authorized and directed to remove from such pay rolls any such clerks who are not attending to the duties for which their services are continued.

(Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 600, § 2, 49 Stat. 680.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92c of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 3, 1935, see section 4 of act Aug. 21, 1935, set out as a note under section 5324 of this title.

§ 5326. "Member of the House" defined

As used in section 5324 of this title the phrase "Member of the House" shall mean a Representative, Representative-elect, Delegate, Delegate-elect, Resident Commissioner, or Resident Commissioner-elect.

(Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 600, § 3, 49 Stat. 680.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92d of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 3, 1935, see section 4 of act Aug. 21, 1935, set out as a note under section 5324 of this title.

§ 5327. Termination of service of Members of House

(a) Until otherwise provided by law, for purposes of sections 5324, 5325, and 5326 of this title, any termination of service during a term of office of a Member of the House that is not described in section 5324 of this title shall be treated as if such termination were described in such section.

(b) The Clerk of the House shall take such action as may be necessary to apply the principles of section 5325 of this title in the carrying out of sections 5327 to 5329 of this title.

(Pub. L. 97-51, § 101(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92b-1 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution 804, Ninety-sixth Congress, Oct. 2, 1980, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 4120, as reported July 9, 1981, which

was enacted into permanent law by section 101(c) of Pub. L. 97-51.

§ 5328. Authority to prescribe regulations

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe regulations for the carrying out of sections 5327 to 5329 of this title.

(Pub. L. 97-51, §101(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(44), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92b-2 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution 804, Ninety-sixth Congress, Oct. 2, 1980, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 4120, as reported July 9, 1981, which was enacted into permanent law by section 101(c) of Pub. L. 97-51.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “House Oversight of the House of Representatives” for “House Administration”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 5329. Vouchers

Payments under sections 5327 to 5329 of this title shall be made on vouchers approved by the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives and signed by the chairman of such committee.

(Pub. L. 97-51, §101(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(44), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 92b-3 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 3 of House Resolution 804, Ninety-sixth Congress, Oct. 2, 1980, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 4120, as reported July 9, 1981, which was enacted into permanent law by section 101(c) of Pub. L. 97-51.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “House Oversight of the House of Representatives” for “House Administration”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

SUBCHAPTER III—EXPENSES AND ALLOWANCES

§ 5341. Representational allowance for Members of House of Representatives

(a) In general

There is established for the House of Representatives a single allowance, to be known as the “Members’ Representational Allowance”,

which shall be available to support the conduct of the official and representational duties of a Member of the House of Representatives with respect to the district from which the Member is elected.

(b) Merger

The Clerk Hire Allowance, the Official Expenses Allowance, and the Official Mail Allowance, as in effect on the day before September 1, 1995, are merged into the Members’ Representational Allowance.

(c) “Member of the House of Representatives” defined

As used in this section, the term “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

(d) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(e) Effective date

This section shall take effect on September 1, 1995 and shall apply with respect to official and representational duties carried out on or after that date.

(Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §101, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1719.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 57b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 5342. Reimbursement of transportation expenses for employees in office of House Member

The applicable accounts of the House of Representatives is¹ made available after August 28, 1965, for reimbursement of transportation expenses incurred by not to exceed two employees in the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico) for one round trip each, or incurred by not to exceed one employee for two round trips, in any calendar year between Washington, District of Columbia, and the place of residence of the Member representing the congressional district involved. Such payment shall be made only upon vouchers approved by the Member containing a certification by him that such travel was performed in line of official duty, but the mileage allowed for any such trip shall not exceed the round trip mileage by the nearest usual route between Washington, District of Columbia, and the Member’s place of residence in the congressional district involved. The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall make such rules and

¹ So in original. Probably should be “are”.

regulations as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 89-147, § 3, Aug. 28, 1965, 79 Stat. 583; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 204(71), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1740.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 127a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “applicable accounts” for “contingent fund” and “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 5343. Staff expenses for House Members attending organizational caucus or conference

(a) In general

Each Member-elect (other than an incumbent Member reelected to the ensuing Congress) who attends a caucus or conference called under section 29a(a) of this title, and each incumbent Member reelected to the ensuing Congress who attends any such caucus or conference convening after the adjournment sine die of the Congress in the year involved, shall be entitled to designate one staff person to be paid for one round trip between that person's place of residence, provided such place of residence is in the district which the Member-elect or incumbent Member represents, and Washington, District of Columbia, for the purpose of accompanying that Member-elect or incumbent Member to such caucus or conference.

(b) Per diem expenses of staff person

Each Member-elect (other than an incumbent Member reelected to the ensuing Congress) who attends a caucus or conference called under such section 29a(a) of this title shall be entitled to designate one staff person who shall in addition be reimbursed on a per diem or other basis for expenses incurred in accompanying the Member-elect at the time of such caucus or conference.

(c) Orientation programs for new Members

With the approval of the majority leader (in the case of a Member or Member-elect of the majority party) or the minority leader (in the case of a Member or Member-elect of the minority party), subsections (a) and (b) shall apply with respect to the attendance of a Member or Member-elect at a program conducted by the Committee on House Administration for the orientation of new members¹ in the same manner as such provisions apply to the attendance of the Member or Member-elect at the organizational caucus or conference.

(Pub. L. 94-59, title II, § 201, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 282; Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, § 107(b)(2), (c)(2), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3176.)

¹ So in original. Probably should be capitalized.

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 43b-2 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 10, Ninety-fourth Congress, Jan. 14, 1975, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 94-59.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108-447, § 107(b)(2), substituted a period for “for a period not to exceed the shorter of the following—

“(i) the period beginning with the day before the designated date upon which such caucus or conference is to convene and ending with the day after the date of the final adjournment of such caucus or conference; or

“(ii) fourteen days.”

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-447, § 107(c)(2), added subsec. (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 108-447 applicable with respect to the One Hundred Tenth Congress and each succeeding Congress, see section 107(d) of Pub. L. 108-447, set out as a note under section 29a of this title.

§ 5344. Payments and reimbursements for certain House staff expenses

(a) Payments and reimbursements to staff persons under section 5343 of this title shall be made as provided (with respect to staff) in the regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Oversight with respect to travel and other expenses of staff. Reimbursements shall be paid on special voucher forms prescribed by the Committee on House Oversight.

(b) Additional funds, if any, for staff allowances and office space for use by Members-elect (other than an incumbent Member reelected to the ensuing Congress) shall be authorized by the Committee on House Oversight.

(Pub. L. 94-59, title II, § 201, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 282; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 203(15), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1727.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 43b-3 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution No. 10, Ninety-fourth Congress, Jan. 14, 1975, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 94-59.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “House Oversight” for “House Administration” wherever appearing.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 5345. Annotated United States Code for Members of House of Representatives to be paid for from Members' Representational Allowance

(a) In general

The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall, at the request of a Member of the House of Representatives, furnish to the Member, for official use only, one set of a privately published

annotated version of the United States Code, including supplements and pocket parts. The furnishing of a set of the United States Code under this section shall be in lieu of any distribution under section 212 of title 1 and shall be paid for from the Members' Representational Allowance.

(b) "Member of the House of Representatives" defined

As used in this section, the term "Member of the House of Representatives" means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

(c) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §107, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1723.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 54 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is comprised of section 107 of Pub. L. 104-186. Subsec. (d) of section 107 of Pub. L. 104-186 repealed former section 54 of this title.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 5346. Transportation of official records and papers to House Member's district

(a) Payment of reasonable expenses from applicable accounts of House; rules and regulations

Effective August 16, 1978, notwithstanding any provision of law and until otherwise provided by law, the applicable accounts of the House shall be available to pay the reasonable expenses of sending or transporting the official records and papers of any Member of the House of Representatives from the District of Columbia to any location designated by such Member in the district represented by the Member.

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to provide for the most economical means of sending or transporting such documents to insure the orderly and timely delivery to the specified location. The Committee on House Oversight shall have the authority to issue rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

(b) "Member of the House of Representatives" and "official records and papers" defined

As used in this section—

(1) the term "Member of the House of Representatives" means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress; and

(2) the term "official records and papers" means books, records, papers, and official files which could be sent as franked mail.

(Pub. L. 98-51, title I, §111(1), July 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 269; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(21), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1728.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 59d of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

In subsec. (a), "August 16, 1978" substituted for "upon the date of adoption of this resolution" meaning the date of adoption of House Resolution No. 1297, which was agreed to Aug. 16, 1978.

Section is based on House Resolution No. 1297, Ninety-fifth Congress, Aug. 16, 1978, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 98-51.

Sections 1 and 2 of House Resolution No. 1297 were redesignated subsecs. (a) and (b) of this section, respectively, for purposes of codification.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-186, §203(21)(A)-(C), substituted "applicable accounts" for "contingent fund" in first par. and "Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives" for "Clerk of the House of Representatives" and "House Oversight" for "House Administration" in second par.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 104-186, §203(21)(D), amended par. (1) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (1) read as follows: "the term 'Member' means a Representative, a Resident Commissioner in the House, and a Delegate to the House; and".

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

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