

Public Law 118–263
118th Congress

An Act

Jan. 4, 2025
[H.R. 9487]

To amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 to authorize the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives to designate more than one of the attorneys of the Office of the Legislative Counsel as a Deputy Legislative Counsel, and for other purposes.

House Office of
Legislative
Counsel
Modernization
Act.
2 USC 271 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “House Office of Legislative Counsel Modernization Act”.

SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF MULTIPLE DEPUTY LEGISLATIVE COUNSELS.

(a) DESIGNATION.—Section 522(b)(1) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (2 U.S.C. 282a(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) by amending the first sentence to read as follows: “The Legislative Counsel shall designate one or more of the attorneys appointed under subsection (a) as a Deputy Legislative Counsel.”; and

(2) in the second sentence, by striking “the Deputy Legislative Counsel shall perform the functions of the Legislative Counsel.” and inserting “the functions of the Legislative Counsel shall be performed by a Deputy Legislative Counsel. If there is more than one Deputy Legislative Counsel, the Deputy Legislative Counsel who shall perform such functions shall be determined in accordance with the order specified in a notice filed with the Speaker and the Minority Leader of the House by the Legislative Counsel.”.

Determination.
Notice.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 522(b)(2) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 282a(b)(2)) is amended by striking “Deputy Legislative Counsel” and inserting “Deputy Legislative Counsels”.

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