

SEC. 303. FEDERAL PAYMENTS UNDER MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN SERVICES INCLUDIBLE UNDER SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE PROGRAM.

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42 USC 1396b.
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note.

Effective date.

(a) (1) Section 1903(b) (2) of the Social Security Act is amended by striking out "1967" and inserting in lieu thereof "1969".

(2) Section 222(d) of the Social Security Amendments of 1967 is amended by striking out "1967" and inserting in lieu thereof "1969".

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall be effective with respect to calendar quarters beginning after December 31, 1967.

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AN ACT

June 29, 1968
[H. R. 6157]

To amend section 3620 of the Revised Statutes with respect to payroll deductions for Federal employees.

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tions.
79 Stat. 582.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsections (b) and (c) of section 3620 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (31 U.S.C. 492), are amended to read as follows:

"(b) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section or any other provision of law, and under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, the head of an agency shall, upon the written request of an employee of the agency to whom a payment for wages or salary is to be made, authorize a disbursing officer to make the payment in the form of one, two, or three checks (the number of checks and the amount of each, if more than one, to be designated by such employee) by sending to each financial organization designated by such employee a check that is drawn in favor of the organization and is for credit to the checking account of such employee or is for the deposit of savings or purchase of shares for such employee: *Provided*, That the agency shall not be reimbursed for the cost of sending one check requested by such employee but shall be reimbursed for the additional cost of sending any additional check requested by such employee by the financial organization to which such check is sent. For the purposes of the foregoing proviso, the check for which the agency shall not be reimbursed shall be the check in the largest amount.

"(2) If more than one employee to whom a payment is to be made designates the same financial organization, the head of an agency may, upon the written request of such employee and under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, authorize a disbursing officer to make the payment by sending to the organization a check that is drawn in favor of the organization for the total amount designated by those employees and by specifying the amount to be credited to the account of each of those employees.

Definitions.

"(3) In this subsection, the term 'agency' means any department, agency, independent establishment, board, office, commission, or other establishment in the executive, legislative (except the Senate and House of Representatives), or judicial branch of the Government, any wholly owned or controlled Government corporation, and the municipal government of the District of Columbia; and the term 'financial organization' means any bank, savings bank, savings and loan association or similar institution, or Federal or State chartered credit union.

"(c) Payment by the United States in the form of more than one check, drawn in accordance with subsection (b) and properly endorsed, shall constitute a full acquittance for the amount due to the employee requesting payment."

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