

take effect on January 1, 1976, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, any increase in compensation made under authority of such subsection may take effect on that date or any date thereafter as prescribed by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper at the time of making such increase.”

**AUTHORITY OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE TO RAISE OR ADJUST RATE OF COMPENSATION**

Pub. L. 94-226, §1(a), Mar. 9, 1976, 90 Stat. 203, provided in part that: “This subsection [this section] does not supersede (1) any provision of an order of the President pro tempore of the Senate authorizing a higher rate of compensation, and (2) any authority of the President pro tempore to adjust the rate of compensation referred to in this subsection [this section] under section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 [section 4571 of this title].”

**§ 6595. Compensation of Administrative Assistant to Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate**

Effective August 1, 1979—

- (1) the maximum annual rate of compensation of the Administrative Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate shall be the same as the highest maximum annual rate of compensation that may be paid to an employee in the office of a Senator; and
- (2) Omitted

(Pub. L. 96-38, title I, §106(2), (3), July 25, 1979, 93 Stat. 112.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61e-2 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section consists of pars. (2) and (3) of section 106 of Pub. L. 96-38, Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979. The paragraph numbers (2) and (3) in the original have been changed to (1) and (2) for purposes of codification.

Par. (2), relating to maximum annual rate of compensation of Executive Assistant to Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate, was omitted from the Code in view of section 6597 of this title which abolished all statutory positions in the Office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate, with specified exceptions, effective Oct. 1, 1981, and authorized Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate to appoint and fix compensation of such employees as appropriate.

**§ 6596. Employment of personnel by Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate at daily rates of compensation; authorization; limitation on amount of compensation**

The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, in carrying out the duties of his office, is authorized to employ personnel at daily rates of compensation; no individual so employed shall be paid at a daily rate of compensation which is in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate; and payments under authority of this section shall be made from the account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, for the “Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate”, upon vouchers approved by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 98-367, title I, §6, July 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 475.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61f-9 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1985, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1985.

**§ 6597. Abolition of statutory positions in Office of Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate; authority to establish and fix compensation for positions**

Effective October 1, 1981, all statutory positions in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate (other than the positions of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, and Administrative Assistant) are abolished, and in lieu of the positions hereby abolished the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is authorized to establish such number of positions as he deems appropriate and appoint and fix the compensation of employees to fill the positions so established; except that the annual rate of compensation payable to any employee appointed to fill any position established by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate shall not, for any period of time, be in excess of \$1,000 less than the annual rate of compensation of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate for that period of time; and except that nothing in this section shall be construed to affect any position authorized by statute, if the compensation for such position is to be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 97-51, §116, Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 963.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61f-7 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF SENATE CHAMBER PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM FROM ARCHITECT OF CAPITOL TO SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF SENATE**

Pub. L. 102-90, title I, §8, Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 451, provided that:

“(a) Effective October 1, 1991, the jurisdiction and control of the Senate chamber public address system is transferred from the Architect of the Capitol to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. In the case of any employee of the Architect of the Capitol transferred during fiscal year 1992 to the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate as an audio operator—

“(1) in the case of days of annual leave to the credit of any such employee as of the date such employee is transferred, the Architect of the Capitol is authorized to make payment to each such employee for that annual leave, and no such payment shall be considered a payment or compensation within the meaning of any law relating to dual compensation; and

“(2) for purposes of section 8339(m) of title 5, United States Code, the days of unused sick leave to the credit of any such employee as of the date such employee is transferred shall be included in the total service of such employee in connection with the computation of any annuity under subsections (a) through (e), (n), and (q) of such section.

“(b) The Architect of the Capitol shall provide the maintenance of the Senate chamber public address system until such system is replaced by a combined public address and audio broadcast system.”

**TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF ELEVATORS IN CAPITOL BUILDING UNDER CONTROL OF SENATE FROM ARCHITECT OF CAPITOL TO SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF SENATE**

Pub. L. 102-90, title I, § 9, Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 452, provided that:

“(a) Subject to subsection (b), those employees of the Architect of the Capitol engaged in operating elevators in that part of the United States Capitol Building under the control and jurisdiction of the United States Senate, together with the elevator operating functions performed by such employees, effective October 1, 1991, shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

“(b) The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is authorized to enter into an agreement or other arrangement with the Architect of the Capitol regarding the supervision of such employees.”

**INCREASES IN COMPENSATION**

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-656), see Salary Directives of President pro tempore of the Senate, set out as notes under section 4571 of this title.

**§ 6598. Designation by Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate of persons to approve vouchers for payment of moneys**

The Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “Sergeant at Arms”) may designate one or more employees in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate to approve, on his behalf, any voucher for payment of moneys, payroll action, or personnel action which the Sergeant at Arms is authorized to approve. Whenever the Sergeant at Arms makes a designation under the authority of the preceding sentence, he shall immediately notify the Committee on Rules and Administration in writing of the designation, and thereafter any approval of any voucher for payment of moneys, payroll action, or personnel action by an employee so designated shall (until such designation is revoked and the Sergeant at Arms notifies the Committee on Rules and Administration in writing of the revocation) be deemed and held to be approved by the Sergeant at Arms for all intents and purposes.

(Pub. L. 98-181, title I, § 1201, Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1289; Pub. L. 116-344, § 1, Jan. 13, 2021, 134 Stat. 5141.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61e-4 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1984.

**AMENDMENTS**

2021—Pub. L. 116-344 substituted “on his behalf, any voucher for payment of moneys, payroll action, or personnel action” for “on his behalf, all vouchers, for payment of moneys,” and “approval of any voucher for payment of moneys, payroll action, or personnel ac-

tion” for “approval of any voucher, for payment of moneys.”.

**§ 6599. Use by Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of Senate of individual consultants or organizations, and department and agency personnel**

For each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal year which ends September 30, 1982), the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate is hereby authorized to expend from the account for the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, within the contingent fund of the Senate, an amount not to exceed \$300,000:

(1) the procurement of the services, on a temporary basis, of individual consultants, or organizations thereof, with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules and Administration; such services may be procured by contract with the providers acting as independent contractors, or in the case of individuals, by employment at daily rates of compensation not in excess of the per diem equivalent of the highest gross rate of annual compensation which may be paid to employees of a standing committee of the Senate; and any such contract shall not be subject to the provisions of section 6101 of title 41 or any other provision of law requiring advertising; and

(2) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, use on a reimbursable basis (with reimbursement payable at the end of each calendar quarter for services rendered during such quarter) of the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

Payments made under this section shall be made upon vouchers approved by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 97-51, § 117, Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 964; Pub. L. 97-257, title I, § 103, Sept. 10, 1982, 96 Stat. 849; Pub. L. 98-367, title I, § 7, July 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 475; Pub. L. 100-458, title I, § 7, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2162.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61f-8 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

In par. (1), “section 6101 of title 41” substituted for “section 5 of title 41, United States Code,” on authority of Pub. L. 111-350, § 6(c), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3854, which Act enacted Title 41, Public Contracts.

**AMENDMENTS**

1988—Pub. L. 100-458 substituted “from the account for the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, within the contingent fund of the Senate, an amount not to exceed \$300,000:” for “from the contingent fund of the Senate an amount not to exceed \$210,000 for:”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-367 substituted “\$210,000” for “\$60,000”.

1982—Par. (1). Pub. L. 97-257 substituted “the procurement of the services, on a temporary basis, of individual consultants, or organizations thereof, with the prior consent of the Committee on Rules and Administration; such services may be procured by contract with the providers acting as independent contractors,