

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
3705(a) .....	41:253b(f)(1) (1st sentence).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title III, § 303B(f), (g) (related to § 303B(f)), as added Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 4104(b)(3), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 645.
3705(b) .....	41:253b(f)(1) (last sentence).	
3705(c) .....	41:253b(f)(2).	
3705(d) .....	41:253b(f)(3).	
3705(e) .....	41:253b(f)(4).	
3705(f) .....	41:253b(g) (related to 41:253b(f)).	

**§ 3706. Encouragement of alternative dispute resolution**

The Federal Acquisition Regulation shall include a provision encouraging the use of alternative dispute resolution techniques to provide informal, expeditious, and inexpensive procedures for an offeror to consider using before filing a protest, prior to the award of a contract, of the exclusion of the offeror from the competitive range (or otherwise from further consideration) for that contract.

(Pub. L. 111-350, § 3, Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3773.)

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3706 .....	41:253b(h).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title III, § 303B(h), as added Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 4104(b)(3), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 645.

**§ 3707. Antitrust violations**

If the agency head considers that a bid or proposal evidences a violation of the antitrust laws, the agency head shall refer the bid or proposal to the Attorney General for appropriate action.

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3707 .....	41:253b(i).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title III, § 303B(i), formerly § 303B(e), as added Pub. L. 98-369, title VII, § 2711(a)(2), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 1180; redesignated as § 303B(f), Pub. L. 103-355, title I, § 1064(1), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3268; redesignated as § 303B(i), Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 4104(b)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 645.

**§ 3708. Protests**

(a) PROTEST FILE.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND ACCESS.—If, in the case of a solicitation for a contract issued by, or an award or proposed award of a contract by, the head of an executive agency, a protest is filed pursuant to the procedures in subchapter V of chapter 35 of title 31, and an actual or prospective offeror requests, a file of the protest shall be established by the procuring activity and reasonable access shall be provided to actual or prospective offerors.

(2) REDACTED INFORMATION.—Information exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title

5 may be redacted in a file established pursuant to paragraph (1) unless an applicable protective order provides otherwise.

(b) AGENCY ACTIONS ON PROTESTS.—If, in connection with a protest, the head of an executive agency determines that a solicitation, proposed award, or award does not comply with the requirements of law or regulation, the head of the executive agency may—

(1) take any action set out in subparagraphs (A) to (F) of subsection (b)(1) of section 3554 of title 31; and

(2) pay costs described in paragraph (1) of section 3554(c) of title 31 within the limits referred to in paragraph (2) of section 3554(c).

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3708(a) .....	41:253b(k).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title III, § 303B(k), formerly § 303B(h), as added Pub. L. 103-355, title I, § 1065, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3269; redesignated as § 303B(k), Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 4104(b)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 645; Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 5607(c), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 701, as amended Pub. L. 104-201, title X, § 1074(b)(7) (less effective date), Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2660.
3708(b) .....	41:253b(l).	June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title III, § 303B(l), formerly § 303B(i), as added Pub. L. 103-355, title I, § 1066, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3269; redesignated as § 303B(l), Pub. L. 104-106, title XLI, § 4104(b)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 645.

**CHAPTER 39—SPECIFIC TYPES OF CONTRACTS**

Sec. 3901.	Contracts awarded using procedures other than sealed-bid procedures.
3902.	Severable services contracts for periods crossing fiscal years.
3903.	Multiyear contracts.
3904.	Contract authority for severable services contracts and multiyear contracts.
3905.	Cost contracts.
3906.	Cost-reimbursement contracts.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## SEPARABILITY

Act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title VI, § 604, formerly title V, § 504, 63 Stat. 403, renumbered by act Sept. 5, 1950, ch. 849, § 6(a), (b), 64 Stat. 583, provided that: “If any provision of this Act [see Tables for classification], or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.”

## PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, § 889, Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1917, as amended by Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title X, § 1081(d)(5), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3874, provided that:

“(a) PROHIBITION ON USE OR PROCUREMENT.—(1) The head of an executive agency may not—

“(A) procure or obtain or extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or