

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 105 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

SUBCHAPTER II—HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES

§ 4311. Approval of employment and compensation of committee employees by House standing committees

Standing committees of the House shall have authority to approve the employment and compensation of committee employees (other than special and select committee employees) from the effective date of the beginning of each Congress, or such subsequent date as their service commenced.

(Pub. L. 87–130, § 103, Aug. 10, 1961, 75 Stat. 334.)

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Section is based on House Resolution No. 16, Eighty-seventh Congress, Jan. 3, 1961, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 87–130.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**INCREASES IN COMPENSATION**

Increases in compensation for House officers and employees under authority of Federal Salary Act of 1967 (Pub. L. 90–206), Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91–656), and Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1988 (Pub. L. 100–202), see sections 4531 and 4532 of this title, and Salary Directives of Speaker of the House, set out as notes under those sections.

§ 4312. Regulations governing availability of appropriations for House committee employees

Appropriations for committee employees shall be available in such amounts and under such regulations as may be approved by the Committee on House Oversight for compensation of employees of the standing committees of the House of Representatives, except the Committee on Appropriations.

(July 17, 1947, ch. 262, 61 Stat. 367; Pub. L. 104–186, title II, § 204(12), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1731.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

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AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104–186 substituted “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**CHANGE OF NAME**

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Adminis-

tration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

§ 4313. Adjustment of House of Representatives allowances by Committee on House Oversight

(a) In general

Subject to the provision of law specified in subsection (b), the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives may, by order of the Committee, fix and adjust the amounts, terms, and conditions of, and other matters relating to, allowances of the House of Representatives within the following categories:

(1) For Members of the House of Representatives, the Members’ Representational Allowance, including all aspects of official mail within the jurisdiction of the Committee under section 503 of this title.

(2) For committees, the Speaker, the Majority and Minority Leaders, the Clerk, the Sergeant at Arms, and the Chief Administrative Officer, allowances for official mail (including all aspects of official mail within the jurisdiction of the Committee under section 503 of this title), stationery, and telephone and telegraph and other communications.

(b) Provision specified

The provision of law referred to in subsection (a) is section 4314 of this title.

(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.

(Pub. L. 92–184, ch. IV, Dec. 15, 1971, 85 Stat. 636; Pub. L. 104–186, title I, § 102, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1719; Pub. L. 106–57, title I, § 103(a)(4)(A), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 415.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

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Section is based on House Resolution No. 457, Ninety-second Congress, July 21, 1971, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 92–184.

AMENDMENTS

1999—Subsec. (a)(1), (2). Pub. L. 106–57 substituted “all aspects of official mail” for “all aspects of the Official Mail Allowance”.

1996—Pub. L. 104–186 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subsecs. (a) and (b) authorizing Committee on House Administration to adjust certain allowances for Members, committees, and officers of House of Representatives.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**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

Pub. L. 106–57, title I, § 103(c), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 416, provided that: “The amendments made by this sec-

tion [amending this section and sections 503 and 5321 of this title] shall apply with respect to the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress and each succeeding session of Congress.”

CLERK HIRE ALLOWANCE; INCREASE

Pub. L. 101-520, title I, §104, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2262, effective for 102d Congress, increased authorization for the Clerk Hire Allowance by \$50,000.

§ 4314. Limitation on allowance authority of Committee on House Oversight

(a) In general

An order under the provision of law specified in subsection (c) may fix or adjust the allowances of the House of Representatives only by reason of—

- (1) a change in the price of materials, services, or office space;
- (2) a technological change or other improvement in office equipment; or
- (3) an increase under section 5303 of title 5 in rates of pay under the General Schedule.

(b) Resolution requirement

In the case of reasons other than the reasons specified in paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of subsection (a), the fixing and adjustment of the allowances of the House of Representatives in the categories described in the provision of law specified in subsection (c) may be carried out only by resolution of the House of Representatives.

(c) Provision specified

The provision of law referred to in subsections (a) and (b) is section 4313 of this title.

(Pub. L. 94-440, title II, §101, Oct. 1, 1976, 90 Stat. 1448; Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §103, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1720.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The General Schedule, referred to in subsec. (a)(3), is set out under section 5332 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

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Section is based on House Resolution No. 1372, §1, Ninety-fourth Congress, July 1, 1976, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 94-440.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subsecs. (a) and (b) relating to limitations on authority of the Committee on House Administration to fix and adjust allowances.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.

§ 4315. Overtime pay for FBI employees detailed to House Committee on Appropriations

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, notwithstanding any other provision of law, may in any

fiscal year pay all administrative uncontrollable overtime accrued by its employees while on detail to the Committee on Appropriations.

(Pub. L. 103-283, title I, July 22, 1994, 108 Stat. 1430.)

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CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified as a note under section 72a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

§ 4316. Allowances for compensation of interns in House committee offices

(a) Establishment of allowances

There are established for the House of Representatives the following allowances:

- (1) An allowance which shall be available for the compensation of interns who serve in offices of a standing, special, or select committee of the House (other than the Committee on Appropriations).
- (2) An allowance which shall be available for the compensation of interns who serve in offices of the Committee on Appropriations.

(b) Benefit exclusion

Section 5321(b) of this title shall apply with respect to an intern who is compensated under an allowance under this section in the same manner as such section applies with respect to an intern who is compensated under the Members' Representational Allowance.

(c) Definitions

In this section, the term “intern”, with respect to a committee of the House, has the meaning given such term with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives in section 5321(c)(2) of this title.

(d) Omitted

(e) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 117-103, div. I, title I, §113, Mar. 15, 2022, 136 Stat. 510.)

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Section is comprised of section 113 of div. I of Pub. L. 117-103. Subsec. (d) of section 113 of div. I of Pub. L. 117-103 amended section 5507 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER III—SENATE

§ 4331. Computation of compensation for stenographic assistance of committees payable from Senate contingent fund

Compensation for stenographic assistance of committees paid out of the items under “Contingent Expenses of the Senate” on and after June 27, 1956 shall be computed at such rates and in accordance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Administration, notwithstanding, and without regard to any other provision of law.