

“(B) prior to fiscal year 2021, had payments made on the individual’s behalf under the program under such section; and

“(C) prior to fiscal year 2021, became ineligible to have payments made on the individual’s behalf under the program because the aggregate amount of the payments made on the individual’s behalf under the program reached the limit on such aggregate amount which (under regulations promulgated by the Committee) was in effect prior to fiscal year 2021.”

§ 4537. Lump sum payment for accrued annual leave of House employees

(a) Approval; amount; source of payments

Upon the approval of the appropriate employing authority, an employee of the House of Representatives may be paid a lump sum for the accrued annual leave of the employee or for any other purpose. The lump sum—

(1) shall be paid in an amount not more than the lesser of—

(A) the amount of the monthly pay of the employee, as determined by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives; or

(B) in the case of a lump sum payment for the accrued annual leave of the employee, the amount equal to the monthly pay of the employee, as determined by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, divided by 30, and multiplied by the number of days of the accrued annual leave of the employee;

(2) shall be paid—

(A) for clerk hire employees, from the clerk hire allowance of the Member;

(B) for committee employees, from amounts appropriated for committees; and

(C) for other employees, from amounts appropriated to the employing authority; and

(3) shall be based on the rate of pay in effect with respect to the employee on the last day of employment of the employee.

(b) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(c) “Employee of the House of Representatives” defined

As used in this section, the term “employee of the House of Representatives” means an employee whose pay is disbursed by the Clerk of the House of Representatives or the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, as applicable, except that such term does not include a uniformed or civilian support employee under the Capitol Police Board.

(d) Separations after June 30, 1995

Payments under this section may be made with respect to separations from employment taking place after June 30, 1995.

(Pub. L. 104-53, title I, § 109, Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 522; Pub. L. 105-55, title I, § 103(a), Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1183.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 600 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1996, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1996.

AMENDMENTS

1997—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-55, § 103(a)(1), (2), in introductory provisions, struck out “who is separated from employment,” after “House of Representatives” and substituted “of the employee or for any other purpose” for “of the employee”.

Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 105-55, § 103(a)(3), substituted “in the case of a lump sum payment for the accrued annual leave of the employee, the amount” for “the amount”.

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 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-55, title I, § 103(b), Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1183, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 1997.”

§ 4538. Reimbursement of residential telecommunications expenses for House Members, officers, and employees

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, official resources may be used during a fiscal year (beginning with fiscal year 1999), in accordance with regulations of the Committee on House Oversight, to reimburse a Member, officer, or employee of the House of Representatives for the ordinary and necessary expenses related to the official use of telecommunications lines in the residence of the Member, officer, or employee.

(b) The Committee on House Oversight shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to implement this section.

(Pub. L. 105-275, title I, § 109, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2439.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 127b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1999, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1999.

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.

PART B—ADMINISTRATION

§ 4551. Day for paying salaries of the House of Representatives

The usual day for paying salaries in or under the House of Representatives shall be the last day of each month, except that if the last day of

a month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal public holiday, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives shall pay such salaries on the first weekday which precedes the last day.

(Pub. L. 107-68, title I, §116(a), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 573.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 60d-1 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 2002, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2002.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 107-68, title I, §116(c), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 573, provided that: “This section [enacting this section and repealing sections 60d, 60e, and 60e-1 of this title] and the amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to pay periods beginning after the expiration of the 1-year period which begins on the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 12, 2001].”

§ 4552. Certificates to pay rolls of employees of House

The Clerk, Sergeant at Arms, and Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives shall make certificate each month to their respective pay rolls, stating whether the persons named in such pay rolls and employed in their respective departments have been actually present at their respective places of duty and have actually performed the services for which compensation is provided in said pay rolls, and in each case where a person carried on such pay roll has been absent and has not performed the services in whole or in part for which payment is proposed, the reason for such absence and for such nonperformance of services shall be stated.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, §1, 31 Stat. 968; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(41), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 89 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “and Chief Administrative Officer” for “Doorkeeper, and Postmaster”.

§ 4553. Gratuities for survivors of deceased House employees; computation

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives is on and after July 2, 1954, authorized to pay, from the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, a gratuity to the widow, widower, or heirs-at-law, of each deceased employee of the House an amount equal to one month's salary for each year or part of year of the first six years service of such employee plus one-half of one month's salary for

each year or part of year of such service in excess of six years to and including the eighteenth year of such service. Service computed hereunder shall include all Federal civilian employment, and military service where such service interrupted Federal civilian employment.

(July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, 68 Stat. 403; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(70), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1740.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 125 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives” for “Clerk of the House” and “applicable accounts of the House of Representatives” for “contingent fund of the House”.

§ 4554. Waiver by Speaker of House of claims of United States arising out of erroneous payments to officers or employees paid by Chief Administrative Officer of House

(a) Waiver of claim for erroneous payment of pay or allowances

A claim of the United States against a person arising out of an erroneous payment of any pay or allowances, other than travel and transportation expenses and allowances, on or after July 25, 1974, to an officer or employee whose pay is disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, the collection of which would be against equity and good conscience and not in the best interests of the United States, may be waived in whole or in part by the Speaker of the House.

(b) Investigation and report

An application for waiver of a claim shall be investigated by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives who shall submit a written report of his investigation to the Speaker of the House.

(c) Prohibition of waiver

The Speaker of the House may not exercise his authority under this section to waive any claim—

(1) if, in his opinion, there exists, in connection with the claim, an indication of fraud, misrepresentation, fault, or lack of good faith on the part of the officer or employee or any other person having an interest in obtaining a waiver of the claim; or

(2) if the application for waiver is received in his office after the expiration of 3 years immediately following the date on which the erroneous payment of pay or allowances was discovered.

(d) Credit for waiver

In the audit and settlement of the accounts of any accountable officer or official, full credit shall be given for any amounts with respect to which collection by the United States is waived under this section.

(e) Effect of waiver

An erroneous payment, the collection of which is waived under this section, is deemed a valid payment for all purposes.