

**Editorial Notes****CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 61g-6a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section. Some section numbers of this title referenced in amendment notes below reflect the classification of such sections prior to their editorial reclassification.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1991, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1991.

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Pub. L. 101-163, title I, § 1, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1044.  
 Pub. L. 100-458, title I, § 1, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2161.  
 Pub. L. 100-202, § 101(i) [title I, § 7], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-290, 1329-294.

**AMENDMENTS**

2015—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 114-113, § 2(2), added subsec. (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 114-113, § 2(1), redesignated subsec. (c) as (d). Former subsec. (d) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 114-113, § 2(3)(A), inserted “or the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,” after “such committee” in two places.

Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 114-113, § 2(3)(B), inserted “or the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,” after “the Chairman”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 114-113, § 2(1), (4), redesignated subsec. (d) as (e) and inserted “or the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be,” after “The Chairman of a committee”.

1995—Pub. L. 104-53 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The Chairman of the Majority or Minority Conference Committee of the Senate may, during any fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1991), at his election transfer not more than \$275,000 from the appropriation account for salaries for the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority of the Senate, to the account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, from which expenses are payable under section 61g-6 of this title. Any transfer of funds under authority of the preceding sentence shall be made at such time or times as such chairman shall specify in writing to the Senate Disbursing Office. Any funds so transferred by the Chairman of the Majority or Minority Conference Committee shall be available for expenditure by such committee in like manner and for the same purposes as are other moneys which are available for expenditure by such committee from the account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, from which expenses are payable under section 61g-6 of this title.”

1991—Pub. L. 102-90 substituted “\$275,000” for “\$75,000”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries****EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1995 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 104-53, title I, § 7(b), Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 518, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1995, and shall be effective with respect to fiscal years beginning on or after that date.”

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 102-90, title I, § 1(b), Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 450, provided that: “Subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1991.”

## **§ 6154. Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority**

**(a) In general**

Upon the written request of the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary

of the Conference of the Minority, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer from the appropriations account appropriated under the subheading “OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY” under the heading “SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES” such amount as the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority shall specify to the appropriations account under the heading “MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS” within the contingent fund of the Senate.

**(b) Authority to incur expenses**

The Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority may incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority shall be paid from the amount transferred under subsection (a) by the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority and upon vouchers approved by the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority or the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority, as applicable.

**(c) Authority to advance sums**

The Secretary of the Senate may advance such sums as may be necessary to defray expenses incurred in carrying out subsections (a) and (b).

**(d) Effective date**

This section shall apply to fiscal year 2008 and each fiscal year thereafter.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. H, title I, § 3, Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 2221.)

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Section was formerly classified to section 61g-6b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2008, which is div. H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

### **SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP OFFICES FUNDING AND AUTHORITIES**

Pub. L. 116-260, div. I, title I, § 104, Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 1631, as amended by Pub. L. 117-328, div. I, title I, § 103(a), Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 4917, provided that:

“(a) In this section—

“(1) the term ‘applicable conference’ means the majority or minority conference of the Senate, as applicable, that represents the Democratic party;

“(2) the term ‘covered Congress’ means the 118th Congress;

“(3) the term ‘covered period’ means the period beginning on the date on which the Secretary of the applicable conference submits the letter described in subsection (b) and ending on January 7, 2025; and

“(4) the term ‘designated officer of the applicable conference’ means the member of the leadership of the applicable conference to whom the duties and authorities of the Secretary of the applicable conference are assigned under subsection (b).

“(b) The Secretary of the applicable conference may, by submission of a letter to the Disbursing Office of the Senate on or after January 3, 2023, at the direction of

the Chair of the applicable conference, assign to a member of the leadership of the applicable conference the following duties and authorities for the duration of the covered Congress:

“(1) The authority over any amounts made available for the Office of the Secretary of the applicable conference.

“(2) The duties and authorities of the Secretary of the applicable conference under section 3 of title I of division H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 6154), section 102 of chapter VIII of title I of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979 (2 U.S.C. 6156), or any other provision of law.

“(c) For purposes of any individual employed by the office of the designated officer of the applicable conference during the covered period—

“(1) any reference to the Office of the Secretary of the applicable conference in the last sentence of section 506(e) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973 (2 U.S.C. 6314(e)) shall be deemed to refer to the office of the designated officer of the applicable conference;

“(2) any reference to the Office of the Secretary of the applicable conference under subsection (b) of the first section of S. Res. 458 (98th Congress) shall be deemed to refer to the office of the designated officer of the applicable conference; and

“(3) any reference to the Secretary of the applicable conference under section 207(e)(9)(M) of title 18, United States Code, shall be deemed to refer to the designated officer of the applicable conference.

“(d) For purposes of any individual employed by the office of the designated officer of the applicable conference during the covered period and with respect to any practice that occurs during the covered period, any reference to the Office of the Secretary of the applicable conference under section 220(e)(2)(C) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1351(e)(2)(C)) shall be deemed to be a reference to the office of the designated officer of the applicable conference.

“(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to have any effect on the continuation of any procedure or action initiated under the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.) or section 207 of title 18, United States Code.”

[Pub. L. 117–328, div. I, title I, §103(b), Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 4918, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending section 104 of Pub. L. 116–260, set out above] shall take effect on January 3, 2023.”]

### **§ 6155. Payment of expenses of Conference of Majority and Conference of Minority from Senate contingent fund**

For each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal year which ends September 30, 1982) there is authorized to be expended from the contingent fund of the Senate such amount as necessary for the Conference of the Majority and an equal amount for the Conference of the Minority. Payments under this section shall be made only for expenses actually incurred by such a Conference in carrying out its functions, and shall be made upon certification and documentation of the expenses involved, by the Chairman of the Conference claiming payment hereunder and upon vouchers approved by such Chairman and by the Committee on Rules and Administration, except that vouchers shall not be required for payment of long-distance telephone calls.

(Pub. L. 97–51, §120, Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 965; Pub. L. 97–276, §101(e), Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189; Pub. L. 99–151, title I, §1, Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 794; Pub. L. 101–163, title I, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1043; Pub. L. 101–520, title I, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2256; Pub. L. 107–68, title I, §105(a), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 568; Pub. L. 108–83, title I, §2(a), Sept. 30, 2003, 117 Stat. 1010.)

## **Editorial Notes**

### **CODIFICATION**

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The 1982 amendment by Pub. L. 97–276 is based on section 105 of S. 2939, Ninety-seventh Congress, 2d Session, as reported Sept. 22, 1982, and incorporated by reference in section 101(e) of Pub. L. 97–276, to be effective as if enacted into law.

### **AMENDMENTS**

2003—Pub. L. 108–83 substituted “such amount as necessary” for “an amount, not in excess of \$100,000,” in first sentence.

2001—Pub. L. 107–68 substituted “\$100,000” for “\$75,000”.

1990—Pub. L. 101–520 substituted “\$75,000” for “\$50,000”.

1989—Pub. L. 101–163 substituted “\$50,000” for “\$40,000”.

1985—Pub. L. 99–151 inserted “, except that vouchers shall not be required for payment of long-distance telephone calls”.

1982—Pub. L. 97–276 substituted “\$40,000” for “\$30,000”. See Codification note above.

## **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 108–83, title I, §2(b), Sept. 30, 2003, 117 Stat. 1010, provided that: “This section [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2004, and each fiscal year thereafter.”

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2001 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 107–68, title I, §105(b), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 568, provided that: “This section [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter.”

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 101–520, title I, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2256, provided in part that the amendment made by Pub. L. 101–520 is effective in the case of fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1990.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 101–163, title I, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1043, provided in part that the amendment made by Pub. L. 101–163 is effective in the case of fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1989.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT**

Section 105 of S. 2939, Ninety-seventh Congress, 2d Session, as reported Sept. 22, 1982, and incorporated by reference in section 101(e) of Pub. L. 97–276, to be effective as if enacted into law, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective for fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1981.

### **§ 6156. Appointment and compensation of employees by Secretary of Conference of Majority of Senate and Secretary of Conference of Minority of Senate**

Effective October 1, 1979, the Secretary of the Conference of the Majority and the Secretary of the Conference of the Minority are each authorized to appoint and fix the compensation of such employees as they deem appropriate: *Provided*, That the gross compensation paid to such employees shall not exceed \$70,000 each fiscal year for each Secretary.

(Pub. L. 96–38, title I, §102, July 25, 1979, 93 Stat. 111.)