

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

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

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.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

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

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1979.

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

Increases in compensation for Senate officers and employees under authority of 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.

§ 6157. Services of consultants to Majority and Minority Conference Committee of Senate**(a) Authorization of expenditure with approval of Committee on Rules and Administration**

Funds authorized to be expended under section 6155 of this title may be used by the Majority or Minority Conference Committee of the Senate, with the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration, to procure the temporary services (not in excess of one year) or intermittent services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof, to make studies or advise the committee with respect to any matter within its jurisdiction or with respect to the administration of the affairs of the committee.

(b) Procurement by contract or employment

Such services in the case of individuals or organizations may be procured by contract 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 compensation which may be paid to a regular employee of such committee. Such contracts shall not be subject to the provisions of section 6101 of title 41 or any other provision of law requiring advertising.

(c) Selection of consultant or organization by Conference Committee chairman

Any such consultant or organization shall be selected for the Majority or Minority Conference Committee of the Senate by the chairman thereof.

(Pub. L. 99-88, title I, § 195, Aug. 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 349; Pub. L. 104-197, title I, § 1, Sept. 16, 1996, 110 Stat. 2396.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

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

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

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1985.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-197 inserted “or with respect to the administration of the affairs of the committee” before period at end.

§ 6158. Utilization of funds for specialized training of professional staff for Majority and Minority Conference Committee of Senate

Funds appropriated to the Conference of the Majority and funds appropriated to the Conference of the Minority for any fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1991), may be utilized in such amounts as the Chairman of each Conference deems appropriate for the specialized training of professional staff, subject to such limitations, insofar as they are applicable, as are imposed by the Committee on Rules and Administration with respect to such training when provided to professional staff of standing committees of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 101-520, title I, § 2, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2257.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

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

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

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions relating to utilization of funds for specific fiscal year for specialized training of professional staff for Majority and Minority Conference Committee of Senate were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Pub. L. 101-163, title I, § 2, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1044.

Pub. L. 100-458, title I, § 2, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2161.

Pub. L. 100-202, § 101(i) [title I], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-290, 1329-292.

§ 6159. Expense allowance for Chairmen of Majority and Minority Conference Committees of Senate; method of payment; taxability

For each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1985), there is hereby authorized an expense allowance for the Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Conference Committees which shall not exceed \$5,000 each fiscal year for each such Chairman; and amounts from such allowance shall be paid to either of such Chairmen only as reimbursement for actual expenses incurred by him and upon certification and documentation of such expenses, and amounts so paid shall not be reported as income and shall not be allowed as a deduction under title 26.

(Pub. L. 99-88, title I, Aug. 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 348; Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, § 1(d), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 349.)

Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 31a-3 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1985.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-7 substituted “not exceed \$5,000” for “not exceed \$3,000”.