

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
5131 .....	5 U.S.C. 429 (less applicability to distribution of business among bureaus).	R.S. 419 (less applicability to distribution of business among bureaus); July 19, 1892, ch. 206, 27 Stat. 243 (6th par.); June 30, 1914, ch. 130, 38 Stat. 408 (4th par.); July 12, 1921, ch. 44, § 8 (1st 17 words of 1st par.), 42 Stat. 140; June 20, 1940, ch. 400, § 1(a), (b), 54 Stat. 492; May 13, 1942, ch. 303, § 1, 56 Stat. 276.

The bureaus are listed alphabetically for convenience. This listing has no effect on the precedence of the bureaus.

**Editorial Notes**

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 8071, act Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 495, provided for appointment of a female Air Force officer in temporary grade of colonel, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 90-130, § 1(25), Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 382.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 5131 of this title as this section.

1966—Pub. L. 89-718 struck out cls. (3) to (6) which related to the Bureau of Naval Weapons, the Bureau of Ships, the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, and the Bureau of Yards and Docks, respectively.

1959—Pub. L. 86-174 inserted reference to Bureau of Naval Weapons and struck out reference to Bureau of Aeronautics and Bureau of Ordnance.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1959 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 86-174, § 2, Aug. 18, 1959, 73 Stat. 395, provided that the amendment of this section and former section 5133 of this title and the repeal of sections 5136 and 5144 of this title shall be effective on July 1, 1960, or on any earlier date on which the Secretary of the Navy makes a formal finding that all the functions of the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Bureau of Ordnance have been transferred to the Bureau of Naval Weapons or elsewhere.

## BUREAU OF NAVAL WEAPONS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Pub. L. 86-174, § 3, Aug. 18, 1959, 73 Stat. 396, provided that: “The unexpended balances of appropriations and funds available for use in connection with the exercise of any function transferred to the Bureau of Naval Weapons shall be transferred in the manner provided by section 407 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended (5 U.S.C. 172f) [10 U.S.C. 126], for use in connection with the transferred functions.”

**§ 8072. Bureaus: distribution of business; orders; records; expenses**

(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, the business of the executive part of the Department of the Navy shall be distributed among the bureaus as the Secretary of the Navy considers expedient and proper.

(b) Each bureau shall perform its duties under the authority of the Secretary, and its orders are considered as coming from the Secretary.

(c) Under the Secretary, each bureau has custody and charge of its records and accounts.

(d) Each bureau shall furnish to the Secretary estimates for its specific, general, and contingent expenses.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 285, § 5132; renumbered § 8072, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, § 807(a)(2), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1834.)

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5132(a) .....	5 U.S.C. 429 (as applicable to distribution of business among bureaus). 5 U.S.C. 455 (1st 23 words).	R.S. 419 (as applicable to distribution of business among bureaus). July 12, 1921, ch. 44, § 8 (1st par., 1st 37 words), 42 Stat. 140.
5132(b) .....	5 U.S.C. 430 (last 39 words). 5 U.S.C. 430b.	R.S. 420 (last 39 words). June 20, 1940, ch. 400, § 1(b) (2d sentence), 54 Stat. 493.
5132(c) .....	5 U.S.C. 455 (less 1st 23 words).	July 12, 1921, ch. 44, § 8 (1st par., less 1st 37 words), 42 Stat. 140.
5132(d) .....	5 U.S.C. 430 (less last 39 words). 5 U.S.C. 431.	R.S. 420 (less last 39 words). R.S. 430.

In subsection (a) the phrase “Except as otherwise provided by law” is added to preserve provisions directing that the Chief of Naval Operations and other statutory offices and boards share in the business of the executive part of the Department of the Navy. The words “The Bureau of Aeronautics shall be charged with matters pertaining to naval aeronautics” in 5 U.S.C. 455 are omitted as implied in the name of the bureau and covered by the authority granted to the Secretary to distribute the business of the Department.

In subsection (b) the words “and shall have full force and effect as such” are omitted as surplusage.

In subsection (c) the words “Under the Secretary” are inserted to make the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 413 and 5 U.S.C. 430, the latter of which is here codified, harmonious and to give meaning to each provision.

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## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 8072 was renumbered section 9037 of this title.

A prior section 8074 was renumbered section 9074 of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

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**§ 8075. Bureau Chiefs: succession to duties**

(a) When there is a vacancy in the office of chief of a bureau, or during the absence or disability of the chief of a bureau, the deputy chief of that bureau, unless otherwise directed by the President, shall perform the duties of the chief until a successor is appointed or the absence or disability ceases.

(b) When subsection (a) cannot be complied with because of the absence or disability of the