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1881b.	Regulations and procedures.
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## SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL

**§ 1801. Repealed. Pub. L. 118–31, div. E, title LVII, § 5702(d)(1), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 960**

Section, Pub. L. 101–163, title III, §319, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1068; Pub. L. 104–19, title I, §701, July 27, 1995, 109 Stat. 220, related to appointment of Architect of the Capitol by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate for a term of 10 years. See section 1801a of this title.

**Editorial Notes**

## CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 162–1 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062.

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Act Aug. 15, 1876, ch. 287, 19 Stat. 147, transferred duties relative to the Capitol theretofore performed by Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds to Architect of the Capitol.

Act Mar. 2, 1867, ch. 167, §2, 14 Stat. 466, abolished office of Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds referred to in section 1811 of this title, and transferred the duties of that office to the Chief of Engineers of the Army.

Act Sept. 30, 1850, ch. 90, §1, 9 Stat. 538, made appropriation for “the extension of the Capitol” according to the plan as might be approved by the President, to be expended under his direction, “by such architect as he may appoint to execute the same.” Subsequent acts frequently referred to the Architect of the Capitol or to the Architect of the Capitol Extension.

Act Mar. 3, 1829, ch. 51, §2, 4 Stat. 363, authorized President to continue office of Architect of the Capitol long enough to complete work in progress.

Act May 2, 1828, ch. 45, §3, 4 Stat. 266, abolished office of Architect of the Capitol. The duties of that office were transferred to Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds, appointed by President under act April 29, 1816, ch. 150, §2, 3 Stat. 324, to succeed a previously existing board of three commissioners of Public Buildings and Grounds.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## CHANGE OF NAME

The name of Superintendent of the Capitol Building and Grounds was changed to Architect of the Capitol by Act Mar. 3, 1921, ch. 124, 41 Stat. 1291, the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act Mar. 3, 1921, fiscal year 1922.

The name of Architect of the Capitol was changed to Superintendent of the Capitol Building and Grounds, by act Feb. 14, 1902, ch. 17, 32 Stat. 20, popularly known as the “Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Act for 1902”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal applicable with respect to appointments made on or after Dec. 22, 2023, see section 1801a(e) of this title.

## SHORT TITLE OF 2023 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 118–31, div. E, title LVII, §5701, Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 960, provided that: “This title [enacting sections 1801a and 1805a of this title, amending sections 1805 and 1811 of this title, and repealing this section and section 1804 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Architect of the Capitol Appointment Act of 2023.’”

## SHORT TITLE OF 2016 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 114–156, §1, May 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 391, provided that: “This Act [enacting subchapter V of this chapter] may be cited as the ‘Fallen Heroes Flag Act of 2016.’”

## COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY AND RESPONSE

Pub. L. 107–68, title I, §129(d), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 580, required the Comptroller General to conduct a comprehensive management study of the operations of the Architect of the Capitol by Nov. 1, 2002, and required the Architect of the Capitol to develop and submit a management improvement plan.

## ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Pub. L. 107–68, title I, §132, Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 581, which directed the Architect of the Capitol to develop and maintain an accounting and financial management system, including financial reporting and internal controls, was from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2002.

**§ 1801a. Appointment and term of service of Architect of the Capitol****(a) Appointment**

The Architect of the Capitol shall be appointed, without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of fitness to perform the duties of the office, upon a majority vote of a congressional commission (referred to in this section as the “commission”) consisting of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and Senate, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, and the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

**(b) Term of service**

The Architect of the Capitol shall be appointed for a term of 10 years and, upon a majority vote of the members of the commission, may be reappointed for additional 10-year terms.

**(c) Removal**

The Architect of the Capitol may be removed from office at any time upon a majority vote of the members of the commission.

**(d) Omitted****(e) Effective date**

This section, and the amendments made by this section, shall apply with respect to appointments made on or after December 22, 2023.

(Pub. L. 118–31, div. E, title LVII, §5702, Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 960.)

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## REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the amendments made by this section, referred to in subsec. (e), see Codification note below.

## CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 5702 of Pub. L. 118–31. Subsec. (d)(1) of section 5702 of Pub. L. 118–31 repealed