

a memorandum of understanding under which the agency may provide facilities, equipment, supplies, personnel, and other support services for the use of the House of Representatives during an emergency situation; and

(2) the Chief Administrative Officer and the head of the agency may take any action necessary to carry out the terms of the memorandum of understanding.

**(b) Approval of Speaker required**

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may not enter into a memorandum of understanding described in subsection (a)(1) without the approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**(c) Applicability**

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–117, div. B, §904, Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2318.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 130h of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002, which is div. B of the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act, 2002.

**§ 5547. Emergency expenditures for meals, refreshments, and other support and maintenance**

(a) At any time on or after February 20, 2003, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may incur obligations and make expenditures out of available appropriations for meals, refreshments, and other support and maintenance for Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives when, in the judgment of the Chief Administrative Officer, such obligations and expenditures are necessary to respond to emergencies involving the safety of human life or the protection of property.

(b) Nothing in this section may be construed to affect any other authority of the Chief Administrative Officer to incur obligations and make expenditures for the items and services described in subsection (a) for Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 108–7, div. H, title I, §107, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 355.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 130k of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2003, which is div. H of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003.

**§ 5548. Payments to ensure continuing availability of goods and services during the coronavirus emergency**

**(a) Authorization to make payments**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to subsection (b), during an emergency situation, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may make payments under contracts with vendors providing goods and services to the House in amounts and under terms and conditions other than those provided under the contract in order to ensure that those goods and services remain available to the House throughout the duration of the emergency.

**(b) Conditions**

**(1) Approval required**

The Chief Administrative Officer may not make payments under the authority of subsection (a) without the approval of the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives.

**(2) Availability of appropriations**

The authority of the Chief Administrative Officer to make payments under the authority of subsection (a) is subject to the availability of appropriations to make such payments.

**(c) Applicability**

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2020 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 116–136, div. B, title IX, §19003, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 578.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section is from the Emergency Appropriations for Coronavirus Health Response and Agency Operations, which is div. B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the CARES Act.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**DEFINITION**

For definition of “coronavirus”, see section 23005 of Pub. L. 116–136, set out as a note under section 162b of this title.

**§ 5549. House Intern Resource Office**

**(a) Establishment; Coordinator**

**(1) Establishment; Coordinator**

There is established in the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives the House Intern Resource Office (hereinafter referred to as the “Office”).

**(2) Appointment**

The Office shall be headed by the House Intern Resource Coordinator (hereinafter referred to as the “Coordinator”), who shall be employed by the Chief Administrative Officer in consultation with the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration.

**(b) Duties**

In consultation with the Office of Diversity and Inclusion and such other offices as the Coordinator considers appropriate, the Office shall—