

and with chapter 91 of title 31. The words “chapter 91 of title 31” are substituted for “the Government Corporation Control Act” in section 210(b) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, because of section 4(b) of the Act of September 13, 1982 (Public Law 97-258, 96 Stat. 1067), the first section of which enacted Title 31, United States Code.

In subsection (b), the words “Director of the Office of Management and Budget” are substituted for “Director of the Bureau of the Budget” in section 210(i) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 because the office of Director of the Bureau of the Budget was redesignated the Director of the Office of Management and Budget by section 102(b) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1970 (eff. July 1, 1970, 84 Stat. 2085). Section 102 of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1970, was repealed by section 5(b) of the Act of September 13, 1982 (Public Law 97-258, 96 Stat. 1085), the first section of which enacted Title 31, United States Code, but the successor provision, 31:502, continued the designation as Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

§ 583. Construction of buildings

(a) AUTHORITY.—At the request of a federal agency, a mixed-ownership Government corporation (as defined in chapter 91 of title 31), or the District of Columbia, the Administrator of General Services may—

- (1) acquire land for a building or project authorized by Congress;
(2) make or cause to be made (under contract or otherwise) surveys and test borings and prepare plans and specifications for a building or project prior to the Attorney General’s approval of the title to the site; and
(3) contract for, and supervise, the construction, development, and equipping of a building or project.

(b) TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS.—An amount available to a federal agency or instrumentality for a building or project may be transferred, in advance, to the General Services Administration for purposes the Administrator determines are necessary, including payment of salaries and expenses for preparing plans and specifications and for field supervision.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Table with 3 columns: Revised Section, Source (U.S. Code), Source (Statutes at Large). Row 583: Revised Section 583, Source (U.S. Code) 40:490(c), Source (Statutes at Large) June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title II, §210(c), as added Sept. 5, 1950, ch. 849, §5(c), 64 Stat. 582.

In subsection (a), the words “mixed-ownership Government corporation” are substituted for “mixed-ownership corporation” for consistency in the subsection and with chapter 91 of title 31. The words “chapter 91 of title 31” are substituted for “the Government Corporation Control Act” in section 210(c) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 because of section 4(b) of the Act of September 13, 1982 (Public Law 97-258, 96 Stat. 1067), the first section of which enacted Title 31, United States Code.

In subsection (b), the words “salaries and expenses for preparing plans and specifications and for field supervision” are substituted for “salaries and expenses of personnel engaged in the preparation of plans and specifications or in field supervision, and for general office expenses to be incurred in the rendition of any such service” to eliminate unnecessary words.

§ 584. Assignment and reassignment of space

(a) AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Administrator of General Services may assign or reassign space for an executive agency in any Federal Government-owned or leased building.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The Administrator’s authority under paragraph (1) may be exercised only—

- (A) in accordance with policies and directives the President prescribes under section 121(a) of this title;
(B) after consultation with the head of the executive agency affected; and
(C) on a determination by the Administrator that the assignment or reassignment is advantageous to the Government in terms of economy, efficiency, or national security.

(b) PRIORITY FOR PUBLIC ACCESS.—In assigning space on a major pedestrian access level (other than space leased under section 581(h)(1) or (2) of this title), the Administrator shall, where practicable, give priority to federal activities requiring regular contact with the public. If the space is not available, the Administrator shall provide space with maximum ease of access to building entrances.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

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Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

UTILIZING SPACE EFFICIENTLY AND IMPROVING TECHNOLOGIES ACT

Pub. L. 118-272, div. B, title III, §2302, Jan. 4, 2025, 138 Stat. 3218, provided that:

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ACTUAL UTILIZATION RATE.—The term ‘actual utilization rate’ means the total usable square footage of a public building or federally-leased space divided by the occupancy.

“(2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ‘Administrator’ means the Administrator of General Services.

“(3) BUILDING UTILIZATION.—The term ‘building utilization’ means the percentage of utilization generated by comparing the actual utilization rate with the capacity based on a utilization benchmark of 150 useable square feet per person.

“(4) CAPACITY.—The term ‘capacity’ means the total usable square footage of a public building or federally-leased space divided by a utilization benchmark.

“(5) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

“(6) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term ‘Federal agency’ means an executive department covered by the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-576; 104 Stat. 2838).

“(7) OCCUPANCY.—The term ‘occupancy’ means the average number of employees actually performing duties in person in a public building or federally-leased space at least 40 hours per week over a 2-month period.

“(8) PUBLIC BUILDING.—The term ‘public building’ has the meaning given the term in section 3301(a) of title 40, United States Code.

“(b) IDENTIFICATION AND DEPLOYMENT OF BUILDING USAGE TECHNOLOGY.—