

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113-235 substituted “Director of the Government Publishing Office” for “Public Printer”.  
 1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

**§ 704. Reprinting bills, laws, and reports from committees not exceeding fifty pages**

When the supply is exhausted, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives may order the reprinting of not more than one thousand copies of a pending bill, resolution, or public law, not exceeding fifty pages, or a report from a committee or congressional commission on pending legislation not accompanied by testimony or exhibits or other appendices and not exceeding fifty pages. The Director of the Government Publishing Office shall require each requisition for reprinting to cite the specific authority of law for its execution.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1248; Pub. L. 113-235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 137 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 2, 28 Stat. 601; Mar. 1, 1907, ch. 2284, § 1, 34 Stat. 1012).

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**§ 705. Duplicate orders to print**

The Director of the Government Publishing Office shall examine the orders of the Senate and House of Representatives for printing, and in case of duplication shall print under the first order received.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1248; Pub. L. 113-235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 135 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 53, 28 Stat. 608).

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**§ 706. Bills and resolutions: number and distribution**

There shall be printed of each Senate and House public bill and joint resolution six hundred and twenty-five copies, which shall be distributed as follows:

to the Senate document room, two hundred and twenty-five copies;  
 to the office of Secretary of Senate, fifteen copies;  
 to the House document room, three hundred and eighty-five copies.

There shall be printed of each Senate private bill, when introduced, when reported, and when passed, three hundred copies, which shall be distributed as follows:

to the Senate document room, one hundred and seventy copies;  
 to the Secretary of the Senate, fifteen copies;  
 to the House document room, one hundred copies;  
 to the Superintendent of Documents, ten copies.

There shall be printed of each House private bill, when introduced, when reported, and when passed two hundred and sixty copies, which shall be distributed as follows:

to the Senate document room, one hundred and thirty-five copies;  
 to the Secretary of the Senate, fifteen copies;  
 to the House document room, one hundred copies;  
 to the Superintendent of Documents, ten copies.

Bills and resolutions shall be printed in bill form, and, unless specially ordered by either House shall be printed only when referred to a committee, when favorably reported back, and after their passage by either House.

Of concurrent and simple resolutions, when reported, and after their passage by either House, only two hundred and sixty copies shall be printed, except by special order, and shall be distributed as follows:

to the Senate document room, one hundred and thirty-five copies;  
 to the Secretary of the Senate, fifteen copies;  
 to the House document room, one hundred copies;  
 to the Superintendent of Documents, ten copies.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1248.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 189 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 55, 28 Stat. 609; Jan. 20, 1905, ch. 50, § 2, 33 Stat. 611).

**§ 707. Bills and resolutions: style and form**

Subject to sections 205 and 206 of Title 1, the Joint Committee on Printing may authorize the printing of a bill or resolution, with index and ancillaries, in the style and form the Joint Committee on Printing considers most suitable in the interest of economy and efficiency, and to so continue until final enactment in both Houses of Congress. The committee may also curtail the number of copies of bills or resolutions, including the slip form of a public Act or public resolution.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1248.)

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 189a (June 13, 1934, ch. 483, § 3, 48 Stat. 948).

**§ 708. Bills and resolutions: binding sets for Congress**

The Director of the Government Publishing Office shall bind four sets of Senate and House of Representatives bills, joint and concurrent resolutions of each Congress, two for the Senate and two for the House, to be furnished him from the files of the Senate and House document room, the volumes when bound to be kept there for reference.

(Pub. L. 90–620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1249; Pub. L. 113–235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 190 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 82, 28 Stat. 622).

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**§ 709. Public and private laws, postal conventions, and treaties**

The Director of the Government Publishing Office shall print in slip form copies of public and private laws, postal conventions, and treaties, to be charged to the congressional allotment for printing and binding. The Joint Committee on Printing shall control the number and distribution of copies.

(Pub. L. 90–620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1249; Pub. L. 113–235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 191 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 56, 28 Stat. 609; July 10, 1952, ch. 632, § 7, 66 Stat. 541).

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**§ 710. Copies of Acts furnished to Director of the Government Publishing Office**

The Archivist of the United States shall furnish to the Director of the Government Publishing Office a copy of every Act and joint resolution, as soon as possible after its approval by the President, or after it has become a law under the Constitution without his approval.

(Pub. L. 90–620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1249; Pub. L. 98–497, title I, § 107(b)(1), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2286; Pub. L. 113–235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 191a (R.S. § 210; June 20, 1874, ch. 328, 18 Stat. 88; 1950 Reorg. Plan No. 20, § 1, eff. May 24, 1950; 15 F.R. 3178, 64 Stat. 1272).

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AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113–235 substituted “Director of the Government Publishing Office” for “Public Printer” in section catchline and text.

1984—Pub. L. 98–497 substituted “Archivist of the United States” for “Administrator of General Services”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98–497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98–497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

**§ 711. Printing Acts, joint resolutions, and treaties**

The Director of the Government Publishing Office, on receiving from the Archivist of the United States a copy of an Act or joint resolution, or from the Secretary of State, a copy of a treaty, shall print an accurate copy and transmit it in duplicate to the Archivist of the United States or to the Secretary of State, as the case may be, for revision. On the return of one of the revised duplicates, he shall make the marked corrections and print the number specified by section 709 of this title.

(Pub. L. 90–620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1249; Pub. L. 98–497, title I, § 107(b)(1), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2286; Pub. L. 113–235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 192 (R.S. § 3805; Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 56, 28 Stat. 609; 1950 Reorg. Plan No. 20, § 1, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3178, 64 Stat. 1272).

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1984—Pub. L. 98–497 substituted “Archivist of the United States” for “Administrator of General Services” wherever appearing.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98–497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98–497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

**§ 712. Printing of postal conventions**

The Director of the Government Publishing Office, on receiving from the Postmaster General a copy of a postal convention between the Postmaster General, on the part of the United States, and an equivalent officer of a foreign government, shall print an accurate copy and transmit it in duplicate to the Postmaster General. On the return of one of the revised duplicates, he shall make the marked corrections and print the number specified by section 709 of this title.

(Pub. L. 90–620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1249; Pub. L. 113–235, div. H, title I, § 1301(c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 193 (R.S. § 3806; June 20, 1874, ch. 328, § 1, 18 Stat. 88; Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 56, 28 Stat. 609).