

permanent law by Pub. L. 95-94, title I, §115, Aug. 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 668, provided that:

“(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and until otherwise provided by law—

“(1) effective January 3, 1977, each Member of the House of Representatives shall be entitled to reimbursement under the nineteenth paragraph under the subheading ‘CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE’ under the heading ‘HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES’ in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955 (2 U.S.C. 122a), or under chapter 4, section 401, of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1972 (2 U.S.C. 56), for any official expense incurred in the United States; and

“(2) the Clerk of the House may make disbursements under the paragraph referred to in paragraph (1) by (A) direct payment to the person from whom goods or services are obtained by the Member involved under such paragraph; or (B) reimbursement to the Member involved or person designated by the Member.

“(b) Effective January 3, 1978, notwithstanding any other provision of law and until otherwise provided by law, and conditional upon the adoption of a House rule prohibiting Members of the House of Representatives from maintaining unofficial office accounts, the entitlement of each Member of the House of Representatives under the nineteenth paragraph under the subheading ‘CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE HOUSE’ under the heading ‘HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES’ in the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955 (2 U.S.C. 122a), or under chapter 4, section 401, of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1972 (2 U.S.C. 56), shall not exceed \$7,000 annually.

“(d) For purposes of this section, the terms ‘Member of the House of Representatives’ and ‘Member’ mean each Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the House of Representatives.”

Section 302(a), (b), and (d) of House Resolution No. 287 is also set out as a note under section 56 of this title. Section 302(c) of such resolution is set out as a note under section 41 of this title.

CROSS REFERENCES

Adjustment of allowances by Committee on House Administration, see section 57 of this title.

§ 122b. Leasing of office space in home districts of House Members

Effective January 3, 1978, and until otherwise provided by law, the Clerk of the House may disburse funds from the contingent fund of the House on behalf of each Member of the House of Representatives, in accordance with the provisions of sections 122b to 122g of this title, to defray the cost of leasing suitable office space for use by such Member in the district from which he is elected or in any location which is in close proximity to such district.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 687, Ninety-fifth Congress, Sept. 20, 1977, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Certain functions of Clerk of House of Representatives transferred to Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services by section 7 of House Resolution No. 423, One Hundred Second Congress, Apr. 9, 1992. Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services replaced by Chief Administrative Officer of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 122c, 122d, 122e, 122f, 122g of this title.

§ 122c. Determination of disburseable annual amount

The annual amount which may be disbursed on behalf of each Member under sections 122b to 122g of this title shall be an amount equal to the product of two thousand five hundred square feet multiplied by the maximum applicable annual rate per square foot in the region encompassing the congressional district from which such Member is elected or in which the Member maintains a district office, as determined by the Administrator of General Services under section 490(j) of title 40.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution No. 687, Ninety-fifth Congress, Sept. 20, 1977, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 122b, 122d, 122e, 122f, 122g of this title.

§ 122d. Authorization by Committee on House Administration

Each Member who desires the Clerk to disburse funds under sections 122b to 122g of this title in connection with office space leased by such Member shall submit to the Committee on House Administration two copies of each lease agreement involved. If the committee determines that such lease agreement conforms with any requirements established by the committee by regulation, the committee shall authorize the Clerk to make disbursements on behalf of such Member.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 3 of House Resolution No. 687, Ninety-fifth Congress, Sept. 20, 1977, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of this title.

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This section is referred to in sections 122b, 122c, 122e, 122f, 122g of this title.

§ 122e. Office equipment, carpeting, and draperies

The Administrator of General Services shall, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the

committee, furnish suitable office equipment, carpeting, and draperies for office space acquired under sections 122b to 122g of this title.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 4 of House Resolution No. 687, Ninety-fifth Congress, Sept. 20, 1977, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 122b, 122c, 122d, 122f, 122g of this title.

§ 122f. Rules and regulations

The committee shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 122b to 122g of this title.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 5 of House Resolution No. 687, Ninety-fifth Congress, Sept. 20, 1977, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 122b, 122c, 122d, 122e, 122g of this title.

§ 122g. Definitions

For purposes of sections 122b to 122g of this title—

(1) the term “Clerk” means the Clerk of the House;

(2) the term “committee” means the Committee on House Administration; and

(3) the terms “Members of the House of Representatives” and “Member” mean any Representative in the Congress, the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, and the Delegates from the District of Columbia, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777.)

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§ 123. Repealed. June 27, 1956, ch. 453, § 105(m), 70 Stat. 372

Section, act Aug. 7, 1953, ch. 341, 67 Stat. 439, established a joint Senate and House Recording Facility revolving fund, provided for the disposition of monies, and required the coordinator of the Facility to give a penal bond. See section 123b(m) of this title.

§ 123a. Omitted

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Section, act Aug. 5, 1955, ch. 568, §1, 69 Stat. 500, which established the basic annual compensation of the coordinator, Joint Recording Facility, has been omitted because of section 123b(l) of this title which abolished the Joint Recording Facility positions and salaries established pursuant to the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1948, and all subsequent acts.

§ 123b. House Recording Studio; Senate Recording Studio and Senate Photographic Studio

(a) Establishment

There is established the House Recording Studio, the Senate Recording Studio, and the Senate Photographic Studio.

(b) Assistance in making disk, film, and tape recordings; exclusiveness of use

The House Recording Studio shall assist Members of the House of Representatives in making disk, film, and tape recordings, and in performing such other functions and duties in connection with the making of such recordings as may be necessary. The Senate Recording Studio and the Senate Photographic Studio shall assist Members of the Senate and committees of the Senate in making disk, film, and tape recordings, and in performing such other functions and duties in connection with the making of such recordings as may be necessary. The House Recording Studio shall be for the exclusive use of Members of the House of Representatives (including the Delegates and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico); the Senate Recording Studio and the Senate Photographic Studio shall be for the exclusive use of Members of the Senate, the Vice President, committees of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate.

(c) Operation of studios

The House Recording Studio shall be operated by the Clerk of the House of Representatives under the direction and control of a committee which is created (hereinafter referred to as the committee) composed of three Members of the House. Two members of the committee shall be from the majority party and one member shall be from the minority party, to be appointed by the Speaker. The committee is authorized to issue such rules and regulations relating to operation of the House Recording Studio as it may deem necessary.

The Senate Recording Studio and the Senate Photographic Studio shall be operated by the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate under the direction and control of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate. The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to issue such rules and regulations relating to operation of the Senate Recording Studio and the Senate Photographic Studio as it may deem necessary.