

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1973 AMENDMENT

Section 771 of Pub. L. 93-198 provided that the amendment made by Pub. L. 93-198 is effective on Jan. 2, 1975, if a majority of the registered qualified electors in the District of Columbia voting on the charter issue in the charter referendum accepted the charter set out in title IV of Pub. L. 93-198, Dec. 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 785. The charter was approved by the voters on May 7, 1974.

JURISDICTION OF UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE OVER TEMPORARY PARKING AREAS DURING CONSTRUCTION OF JUDICIARY ANNEX BUILDING

Pub. L. 101-302, title III, §313, May 25, 1990, 104 Stat. 245, provided that:

“(a) The supervision and jurisdiction of the United States Capitol Police shall extend over any area with respect to which the Architect of the Capitol has contracted, or otherwise entered into an agreement, for parking space in the Union Station parking garage to accommodate personnel of the United States Senate whose parking privileges have been affected by the construction of the Judiciary Annex Building, and over any area and streets necessary to carry out such supervision and to travel between such parking area and the United States Capitol Grounds.

“(b) In carrying out such supervision, the United States Capitol Police shall have, within any such area or street, jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, to provide security for such personnel and property of such personnel and of the United States Senate within such area or street, and to make arrests for the violation of the laws and regulations of the United States and the District of Columbia.

“(c) The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) shall be effective only during the period that there is in effect a contract or other agreement as referred to in subsection (a).”

EXTENSION OF UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE SUPERVISION

Pub. L. 95-175, Nov. 14, 1977, 91 Stat. 1362, provided: “That the supervision of the United States Capitol Police shall extend over that part or parts of the premises located at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Southeast, Washington, District of Columbia, leased by the Office of Technology Assessment. In carrying out such supervision, the United States Capitol Police shall have within such part or parts jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, to provide security for the personnel and property of the Office of Technology Assessment within such leased premises, and to make arrest therein for the violation of the laws and regulations of the United States and the District of Columbia.”

POLICE MOTOR VEHICLES USED BY INSTRUCTOR PERSONNEL WHILE ON ASSIGNMENT TO FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER

Pub. L. 95-26, title I, §113, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 87, provided that: “The Chairman of the Capitol Police Board is authorized, subject to such conditions as he may impose, to authorize the assignment of a police motor vehicle for use by instructor personnel of the Capitol Police Force while assigned to the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.”

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 136, 174b-1, 184a, 193h, 193i, 193l, 193m of this title.

§ 212a-1. Capitol Grounds and Library of Congress Grounds; detail of police

The Capitol Police Board is authorized to detail police from the House Office, Senate Office, and Capitol Buildings for police duty on the Capitol Grounds and on the Library of Congress Grounds.

(Pub. L. 96-432, §5, Oct. 10, 1980, 94 Stat. 1853.)

CODIFICATION

Provisions of this section were enacted as permanent law in Pub. L. 96-432. Similar fiscal year provisions were contained in the following appropriation acts and have not been repeated since 1983:

Pub. L. 98-51, title I, §112, July 14, 1983, 97 Stat. 271.
Pub. L. 97-276, §101(e) [S. 2939, title I], Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189.

Pub. L. 97-51, §101(c) [H.R. 4120, title I], Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959.

Pub. L. 96-536, §101(c) [H.R. 7593, title I], Dec. 16, 1980, 94 Stat. 3167.

Pub. L. 95-391, title I, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 780.

Pub. L. 95-94, title I, Aug. 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 671.

Pub. L. 94-440, title III, Oct. 1, 1976, 90 Stat. 1451.

Pub. L. 94-59, title III, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 285.

Pub. L. 93-371, Aug. 13, 1974, 88 Stat. 436.

Pub. L. 93-145, Nov. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 539.

Pub. L. 92-342, July 10, 1972, 86 Stat. 441.

Pub. L. 92-51, July 9, 1971, 85 Stat. 136.

Pub. L. 91-382, Aug. 18, 1970, 84 Stat. 817.

Pub. L. 91-145, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 350.

Pub. L. 90-417, July 23, 1968, 82 Stat. 406.

Pub. L. 90-57, July 28, 1967, 81 Stat. 135.

Pub. L. 89-545, Aug. 27, 1966, 80 Stat. 363.

Pub. L. 89-90, July 27, 1965, 79 Stat. 275.

Pub. L. 88-454, Aug. 20, 1964, 78 Stat. 544.

Pub. L. 88-248, Dec. 30, 1963, 77 Stat. 811.

Pub. L. 87-730, §104, Oct. 2, 1962, 76 Stat. 694.

Pub. L. 87-130, §104, Aug. 10, 1961, 75 Stat. 334.

Pub. L. 86-628, §104, July 12, 1960, 74 Stat. 460.

Pub. L. 86-176, §104, Aug. 21, 1959, 73 Stat. 412.

Pub. L. 85-570, §104, July 31, 1958, 72 Stat. 453.

Pub. L. 85-75, §104, July 1, 1957, 71 Stat. 256.

June 27, 1956, ch. 453, §104, 70 Stat. 370.

Aug. 5, 1955, ch. 568, §104, 69 Stat. 520.

July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, §104, 68 Stat. 409.

Aug. 1, 1953, ch. 304, title I, §106, 67 Stat. 332.

July 9, 1952, ch. 598, §106, 66 Stat. 478.

Oct. 11, 1951, ch. 485, §106, 65 Stat. 403.

Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, §106, 64 Stat. 608.

June 22, 1949, ch. 235, §106, 63 Stat. 230.

June 14, 1948, ch. 467, §106, 62 Stat. 437.

July 17, 1947, ch. 262, §106, 61 Stat. 377.

July 1, 1946, ch. 530, §106, 60 Stat. 408.

June 13, 1945, ch. 189, §106, 59 Stat. 259.

June 26, 1944, ch. 277, title I, §105, 58 Stat. 354.

June 28, 1943, ch. 173, title I, 57 Stat. 230.

June 8, 1942, ch. 396, 56 Stat. 340.

July 1, 1941, ch. 268, 55 Stat. 456.

June 18, 1940, ch. 396, 54 Stat. 471.

June 16, 1939, ch. 208, 53 Stat. 831.

May 17, 1938, ch. 236, 52 Stat. 390.

§ 212a-2. Protection of Members of Congress, officers of Congress, and members of their families**(a) Authority of the Capitol Police**

Subject to the direction of the Capitol Police Board, the United States Capitol Police is authorized to protect, in any area of the United States, the person of any Member of Congress, officer of the Congress, as defined in section 60-1(b) of title 2, and any member of the immediate family of any such Member or officer, if the Capitol Police Board determines such protection to be necessary.

(b) Detail of police

In carrying out its authority under this section, the Capitol Police Board, or its designee, is authorized, in accordance with regulations issued by the Board pursuant to this section, to detail, on a case-by-case basis, members of the

United States Capitol Police to provide such protection as the Board may determine necessary under this section.

(c) Arrest of suspects

In the performance of their protective duties under this section, members of the United States Capitol Police are authorized (1) to make arrests without warrant for any offense against the United States committed in their presence, or for any felony cognizable under the laws of the United States if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested has committed or is committing such felony; and (2) to utilize equipment and property of the Capitol Police.

(d) Fines and penalties

Whoever knowingly and willfully obstructs, resists, or interferes with a member of the Capitol Police engaged in the performance of the protective functions authorized by this section, shall be fined not more than \$300 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

(e) Construction of provisions

Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to imply that the authority, duty, and function conferred on the Capitol Police Board and the United States Capitol Police are in lieu of or intended to supersede any authority, duty, or function imposed on any Federal department, agency, bureau, or other entity, or the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, involving the protection of any such Member, officer, or family member.

(f) "United States" defined

As used in this section, the term "United States" means each of the several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, and territories and possessions of the United States.

(July 31, 1946, ch. 707, §9A, as added Pub. L. 97-143, §1(a), Dec. 29, 1981, 95 Stat. 1723.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 136, 174b-1, 184a, 193h, 193i, 193k, 193l, 193m, 212a of this title.

§ 212a-3. Law enforcement authority of Capitol Police

(a) Scope

Subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Capitol Police Board and approved by the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, a member of the Capitol Police shall have authority to make arrests and otherwise enforce the laws of the United States, including the laws of the District of Columbia—

(1) within the District of Columbia, with respect to any crime of violence committed within the United States Capitol Grounds;

(2) within the District of Columbia, with respect to any crime of violence committed in the presence of the member, if the member is in the performance of official duties when the crime is committed;

(3) within the District of Columbia, to prevent imminent loss of life or injury to person

or property, if the officer is in the performance of official duties when the authority is exercised; and

(4) within the area described in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Area

The area referred to in subsection (a)(4) of this section is that area bounded by the north curb of H Street from 3rd Street, N.W. to 7th Street, N.E., the east curb of 7th Street from H Street, N.E., to M Street, S.E., the south curb of M Street from 7th Street, S.E. to 1st Street, S.E., the east curb of 1st Street from M Street, S.E. to Potomac Avenue S.E., the southeast curb of Potomac Avenue from 1st Street, S.E. to South Capitol Street, S.W., the west curb of South Capitol Street from Potomac Avenue, S.W. to P Street, S.W., the north curb of P Street from South Capitol Street, S.W. to 3rd Street, S.W., and the west curb of 3rd Street from P Street, S.W. to H Street, N.W.

(c) Authority of Metropolitan Police unaffected

This section does not affect the authority of the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia with respect to the area described in subsection (b) of this section.

(d) "Crime of violence" defined

As used in this section, the term "crime of violence" has the meaning given that term in section 16 of title 18.

(July 31, 1946, ch. 707, §9B, as added Pub. L. 102-397, title I, §101, Oct. 6, 1992, 106 Stat. 1949; amended Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §221(13), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1750.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-186 substituted "House Oversight" for "House Administration".

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.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 136, 174b-1, 184a, 193h, 193i, 193l, 193m of this title.

§ 212a-4. Security systems for Capitol buildings and grounds

(a) Design and installation

(1) Effective October 1, 1995, the unexpended balances of appropriations specified in paragraph (2) are transferred to the appropriation for general expenses of the Capitol Police, to be used for design and installation of security systems for the Capitol buildings and grounds.

(2) The unexpended balances referred to in paragraph (1) are—

(A) the unexpended balance of appropriations for security installations, as referred to in the paragraph under the heading "CAPITOL BUILDINGS", under the general headings "JOINT ITEMS", "ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL", and "CAPITOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS" in title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1995 (108 Stat. 1434), including any unexpended balance from a prior