

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “and Chief Administrative Officer” for “Doorkeeper, and Postmaster”.

§ 89a. Certification of indebtedness of employees of House; withholding of amount

Whenever an employee of the House of Representatives becomes indebted to the House of Representatives and fails to pay the indebtedness, the chairman of the committee or the elected officer of the House of Representatives that has jurisdiction over the activity under which the indebtedness arises may certify to the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives the amount of the indebtedness. The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives is authorized to withhold the amount so certified from any amount which is disbursed by him and which is due to, or on behalf of, such employee. Whenever an amount is withheld under this section, the appropriate account shall be credited in an amount equal to the amount so withheld. As used in this section, the term “employee of the House of Representatives” means any person in the legislative branch of the Government whose salary, wages, or other compensation is disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 85-492, July 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 293; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(42), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736.)

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1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “and fails to pay the indebtedness, the chairman of the committee or the elected officer of the House of Representatives that has jurisdiction over the activity under which the indebtedness arises may certify to the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives the amount of the indebtedness” for “, or to the trust fund account in the office of the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, and such employee fails to pay such indebtedness, the chairman of the committee, or the elected officer, of the House of Representatives having jurisdiction of the activity under which such indebtedness arose, is authorized to certify to the Clerk of the House of Representatives the amount of such indebtedness” in first sentence and “Chief Administrative Officer” for “Clerk” in second and last sentences.

§§ 90, 91. Repealed. Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 204(33), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1734

Section 90, act Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, §1, 31 Stat. 968, related to removal from office of employees of House for violation of sections 85 to 87 and 89 of this title.

Section 91, acts Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, §1, 31 Stat. 968; Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 753, §121, 60 Stat. 822, related to investigations of violations of sections 85 to 87, 89, and 90 of this title.

§ 92. Employees of Members of House of Representatives

(a) In general

Under the Members’ Representational Allowance, each Member of the House of Representatives may employ not more than 18 permanent employees and a total of not more than 4 additional employees in the following categories:

- (1) Interns.
- (2) Part-time employees.
- (3) Shared employees.

- (4) Temporary employees.
- (5) Employees on leave without pay.

(b) Benefit exclusion

For purposes of this section, interns and temporary employees shall be excluded from the operation of the following provisions of title 5:

- (1) Chapter 84 (relating to the Federal Employees’ Retirement System).
- (2) Chapter 87 (relating to life insurance).
- (3) Chapter 89 (relating to health insurance).

(c) Definitions

As used in this section—

(1) the term “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress;

(2) the term “intern” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who serves in the office of the Member for not more than 120 days in a 12-month period and whose service is primarily for the educational experience of the individual;

(3) the term “part-time employee” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who is employed by the Member and whose normally assigned work schedule is not more than the equivalent of 15 full working days per month;

(4) the term “temporary employee” means, with respect to a Member of the House of Representatives, an individual who is employed for a specific purpose or task and who is employed for not more than 90 days in a 12-month period, except that the term of such employment may be extended with the written approval of the Committee on House Oversight; and

(5) the term “shared employee” means an employee who is paid by more than one employing authority of the House of Representatives.

(d) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §104, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1720; Pub. L. 105-55, title I, §104(a), Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1183; Pub. L. 106-57, title I, §103(b), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 416.)

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186. Subsec. (e)(1) of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186 repealed former section 92 of this title. Subsec. (e)(2) and (3) of section 104 of Pub. L. 104-186 repealed provisions formerly set out as notes below.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 92, acts Jan. 25, 1923, ch. 43, 42 Stat. 1217; July 25, 1939, ch. 352, §1, 53 Stat. 1080; Aug. 5, 1955, ch. 568, §11(b), 69 Stat. 509; Aug. 3, 1956, ch. 938, §1(b), 70 Stat. 990, related to payment of appropriations for clerk hire for Members of House of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §104(e)(1), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.

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1999—Pub. L. 106-57, §103(b)(2), struck out “Clerk hire” before “Employees” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106–57, §103(b)(1), struck out “clerk hire” before “employees” in two places in introductory provisions.

1997—Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 105–55 struck out “in the District of Columbia” after “office of the Member”.

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.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106–57 applicable with respect to the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress and each succeeding session of Congress, see section 103(c) of Pub. L. 106–57, set out as a note under section 57 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Section 104(b) of Pub. L. 105–55 provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 1997.”

EMPLOYMENT OF PERMANENT CLERKS

House Resolution No. 359, Ninety-sixth Congress, July 20, 1979, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 7593, as passed the House of Representatives on July 21, 1980, and enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 96–536, §101(c), Dec. 16, 1980, 94 Stat. 3167, which related to the employment of employees by Members of House of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners, was repealed by Pub. L. 104–186, title I, §104(e)(2), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.

House Resolution No. 357, Ninety-first Congress, June 25, 1969, as enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91–145, §103, Dec. 12, 1969, 83 Stat. 359, which increased base Clerk Hire allowance of Members of House of Representatives and Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico and authorized them to employ one additional clerk each, was repealed by Pub. L. 104–186, title I, §104(e)(3), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.

§ 92–1. Repealed. Pub. L. 104–186, title II, § 204(43), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736

Section, based on H. Res. No. 294, §2, Eighty-eighth Congress, Aug. 14, 1964, as continued by H. Res. No. 7, Eighty-ninth Congress, Jan. 4, 1965, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 89–90, §103, July 27, 1965, 79 Stat. 281, related to place of performance of services for which clerk hire allowances were paid.

§ 92a. Pay of clerical assistants as affected by death of Senator or Representative

When a Senator or Member of the House of Representatives or Delegate or Resident Commissioner dies during his term of office the clerical assistants appointed by him, and then borne upon the pay rolls of the Senate or House of Representatives, shall be continued on such pay rolls in their respective positions and be paid for a period not longer than one month: *Provided*, That this shall not apply to clerical assistants of standing committees of the Senate or House of Representatives, when their service otherwise would continue beyond such period.

(Feb. 23, 1927, ch. 168, §1, 44 Stat. 1148.)

EMPLOYEES OF SENATE

Pub. L. 98–473, title I, §123A(a), Oct. 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 1969, provided that this section shall not apply to any employee of Senate.

§ 92b. Pay of clerical assistants as affected by death or resignation of Member of House

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 92a of this title, in case of the death or resignation of a Member of the House during his term of office, the clerical assistants designated by him and borne upon the clerk hire pay rolls of the House of Representatives on the date of such death or resignation shall be continued upon such pay rolls at their respective salaries until the successor to such Member of the House is elected to fill the vacancy.

(Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 600, §1, 49 Stat. 679; Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 96, 64 Stat. 82; July 15, 1952, ch. 759, §1, 66 Stat. 662; Pub. L. 89–554, §8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 657.)

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1966—Pub. L. 89–554 struck out sentence which related to retirement service credit.

1952—Joint Res. July 15, 1952, provided retirement credit to employees for time they were separated from employment following death or resignation of a Member and before election of his successor.

1950—Joint Res. Apr. 24, 1950, struck out second sentence which limited continuance of clerical assistants of deceased or resigned House Members on pay roll to six months.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 4 of act Aug. 21, 1935, provided that: “This joint resolution [enacting sections 92b to 92d of this title] shall be effective as of the beginning of the Seventy-fourth Congress, January 3, 1935.”

§ 92b–1. Termination of service of Members of House

(a) Until otherwise provided by law, for purposes of sections 92b, 92c, and 92d of this title, any termination of service during a term of office of a Member of the House that is not described in section 92b of this title shall be treated as if such termination were described in such section.

(b) The Clerk of the House shall take such action as may be necessary to apply the principles of section 92c of this title in the carrying out of sections 92b–1 to 92b–3 of this title.

(Pub. L. 97–51, §101(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution 804, Ninety-sixth Congress, Oct. 2, 1980, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 4120, as reported July 9, 1981, which was enacted into permanent law by section 101(c) of Pub. L. 97–51.

§ 92b–2. Authority to prescribe regulations

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe regulations for the carrying out of sections 92b–1 to 92b–3 of this title.

(Pub. L. 97–51, §101(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 959; Pub. L. 104–186, title II, §204(44), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1736.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution 804, Ninety-sixth Congress, Oct. 2, 1980, as enacted into permanent law by H.R. 4120, as reported July 9, 1981, which was enacted into permanent law by section 101(c) of Pub. L. 97–51.