

§ 135b. Local and regional centers; preference to blind and other physically handicapped veterans; rules and regulations; authorization of appropriations

(a) The Librarian of Congress may contract or otherwise arrange with such public or other nonprofit libraries, agencies, or organizations as he may deem appropriate to serve as local or regional centers for the circulation of (1) books, recordings, and reproducers referred to in section 135a of this title, and (2) musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials referred to in section 135a-1 of this title, under such conditions and regulations as he may prescribe. In the lending of such books, recordings, reproducers, musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials, preference shall at all times be given to the needs of the blind and of the other physically handicapped persons who have been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

(Mar. 3, 1931, ch. 400, §2, 46 Stat. 1487; Pub. L. 89-522, §1, July 30, 1966, 80 Stat. 330.)

AMENDMENTS

1966—Pub. L. 89-522 extended Librarian's authority to arrange for local and regional centers by authorizing him to contract with public or other nonprofit libraries, agencies, or organizations, extended field to include recordings, reproducers, musical scores, instructional texts, and other materials, substituted "Armed Forces of the United States" for "United States military or naval service", and extended veteran preference to include other physically handicapped individuals in addition to blind persons.

§ 136. Librarian of Congress; appointment; rules and regulations

The Librarian of Congress shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. He shall make rules and regulations for the government of the Library.

(Feb. 19, 1897, ch. 265, §1, 29 Stat. 544, 546; Pub. L. 92-310, title II, §220(f), June 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 204.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

R.S. §§88, 89, 4950, which were repealed by acts Feb. 28, 1933, ch. 131, §1, 47 Stat. 1349; Mar. 3, 1933, ch. 202, §1, 47 Stat. 1428, 1431.

AMENDMENTS

1972—Pub. L. 92-310 struck out provisions which required the Librarian of Congress to give a bond in the sum of \$20,000.

§§ 136a, 136a-1. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Sections were superseded by section 136a-2 of this title.

Section 136a, Pub. L. 88-426, title II, §203(c), Aug. 14, 1964, 78 Stat. 415; Pub. L. 90-206, title II, §§219(2), 225(h), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 639, 644; Pub. L. 94-82, title II, §204(b), Aug. 9, 1975, 89 Stat. 421, set compensation of Librarian of Congress at an annual rate equal to rate for positions at level IV of Executive Schedule.

A prior section 136a, acts Mar. 6, 1928, ch. 134, 45 Stat. 197; Oct. 15, 1949, ch. 695, §5(a), 63 Stat. 890, which con-

tained similar provisions, was repealed by Pub. L. 89-554, §8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 647, 655.

Section 136a-1, Pub. L. 88-426, title II, §203(d), Aug. 14, 1964, 78 Stat. 415; Pub. L. 90-206, title II §§219(3), 225(h), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 639, 644; Pub. L. 94-82, title II, §204(b), Aug. 9, 1975, 89 Stat. 421, set compensation of Deputy Librarian of Congress at an annual rate equal to rate for positions at level V of Executive Schedule.

§ 136a-2. Librarian of Congress and Deputy Librarian of Congress; compensation

Notwithstanding any other provision of law—

(1) the Librarian of Congress shall be compensated at an annual rate of pay which is equal to the annual rate of basic pay payable for positions at level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5; and

(2) the Deputy Librarian of Congress shall be compensated at an annual rate of pay which is equal to the annual rate of basic pay payable for positions at level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.

(Pub. L. 98-63, title I, §904, July 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 336; Pub. L. 106-57, title II, §209(a), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 424.)

AMENDMENTS

1999—Pub. L. 106-57 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows:

"(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section and notwithstanding any other provision of law—

"(1) the compensation of the Librarian of Congress shall be at an annual rate which is equal to the annual rate of basic pay payable for positions at level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5, and

"(2) the compensation of the Deputy Librarian of Congress shall be at an annual rate which is equal to the annual rate of basic pay payable for positions at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5.

"(b) The limitations contained in section 306 of S. 2939, Ninety-seventh Congress, as made applicable by section 101(e) of Public Law 97-276 (as amended by section 128(a) of Public Law 97-377) shall, after application of section 128(b) of Public Law 97-377, be applicable to the compensation of the Librarian of Congress and the Deputy Librarian of Congress, as fixed by subsection (a) of this section."

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-57, title II, §209(c), Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 424, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and section 166 of this title] shall apply with respect to the first pay period which begins on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Sept. 29, 1999] and each subsequent pay period."

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 98-63, title I, §904(c), July 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 337, provided that subsec. (a) of this section was to take effect on the first day of the first applicable pay period commencing on or after July 30, 1983, prior to being omitted in the general amendment of section 904 of Pub. L. 98-63 by section 209(a) of Pub. L. 106-57.

SALARY INCREASES

1987—Salaries of Librarian and Deputy Librarian increased respectively to \$89,500 and \$82,500 per annum, on recommendation of the President of the United States, see note set out under section 358 of this title.

1977—Salaries of Librarian and Deputy Librarian increased respectively to \$50,000 and \$47,500 per annum, on recommendation of the President of the United States, see note set out under section 358 of this title.

1969—Salaries of Librarian and Deputy Librarian increased respectively to \$38,000 and \$36,000 per annum, on