

from outside sources presented to the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives (other than mail through the Postal Service and mail with postage otherwise paid) for internal delivery in the House of Representatives, the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to collect fees equal to the applicable postage. Amounts received by the Chief Administrative Officer as fees under the preceding sentence shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

(Pub. L. 104-53, title I, §101, Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 520.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1996, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1996.

§ 117j-1. Regulations for safe handling of mail matter

(a) In general

Subject to the approval of the Committee on House Administration, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives shall implement regulations under which the Chief Administrative Officer shall be authorized to handle any mail matter delivered by the United States Postal Service or any other carrier to the House of Representatives, or to any other entity with whom the Chief Administrative Officer has entered into an agreement to receive mail matter delivered to the entity, in such manner as the Chief Administrative Officer deems necessary to ensure the safety of any individuals who may come into contact with, or otherwise be exposed to, such mail matter.

(b) Civil or criminal liability

No action taken under the regulations implemented pursuant to this section may serve as a basis for civil or criminal liability of any individual or entity.

(c) Definition

As used in this section, the term “handle” includes but is not limited to collecting, isolating, testing, opening, disposing, and destroying.

(d) Effective date

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2004 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, §108, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3177.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005, which is div. G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005.

§ 117k. Rebates under Government Travel Charge Card Program

Effective with respect to fiscal years beginning with fiscal year 1995, amounts received by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives from the Administrator of General Services for rebates under the Government Travel Charge Card Program shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

(Pub. L. 104-53, title I, §102, Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 520.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1996, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1996.

§ 117l. Deposit of House Information Resources reimbursements for services

Effective with respect to fiscal year 2003 and each succeeding fiscal year, any amount received by House Information Resources from any office of the House of Representatives as reimbursement for services provided shall be deposited in the Treasury for credit to the account of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, §103, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 354.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2003, which is div. H of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003.

§ 117m. House Services Revolving Fund

(a) Establishment of House Services Revolving Fund

There is hereby established in the Treasury of the United States a revolving fund for the House of Representatives to be known as the “House Services Revolving Fund” (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Revolving Fund”), consisting of funds deposited by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives from all amounts received by the House of Representatives with respect to the following activities:

- (1) The operation of the House Barber Shop.
- (2) The operation of the House Beauty Shop.
- (3) The operation of the House Restaurant System (including vending operations).
- (4) The provision of mail services to entities which are not part of the House of Representatives.
- (5) The payment of fees for the use of the exercise facility described in section 103(a).

(b) Use of amounts in Fund

Amounts in the Revolving Funds¹ shall be used for any purpose designated by the Chief Administrative Officer which is approved by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(c) Transfer authority

The Revolving Fund shall be treated as a category of allowances and expenses for purposes of section 95b(a) of this title.

(d) Termination and transfer of existing funds and accounts

(1) In general

Each fund and account specified in paragraph (2) is hereby terminated, and the balance of each such fund and account is hereby transferred to the Revolving Fund.

(2) Funds and accounts specified

The funds and accounts referred to in paragraph (1) are as follows:

¹ So in original. Probably should be “Fund”.

(A) The revolving fund for the House Barber Shop, established by the paragraph under the heading “HOUSE BARBER SHOPS REVOLVING FUND” in the matter relating to the House of Representatives in chapter III of title I of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1975 (Public Law 93-554; 88 Stat. 1776).

(B) The revolving funds for the House Beauty Shop, established by the matter under the heading “HOUSE BEAUTY SHOP” in the matter relating to administrative provisions for the House of Representatives in the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1970 (Public Law 91-145; 83 Stat. 347).

(C) The special deposit account established for the House of Representatives Restaurant by section 208 of the First Supplemental Civil Functions Appropriation Act, 1941, or any successor fund or account established for the receipt of revenues of the House Restaurant System.

(e) Effective date

This section shall take effect October 1, 2004, and shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2005 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, § 105, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3175; Pub. L. 109-13, div. A, title III, § 3401(b), May 11, 2005, 119 Stat. 272.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 103(a), referred to in subsec. (a)(5), means section 103(a) of Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3174, which is not classified to the Code.

Section 208 of the First Supplemental Civil Functions Appropriation Act, 1941, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(C), means section 208 of act Oct. 9, 1940, ch. 780, title II, § 4 Stat. 1056, which was classified to section 174k of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 221(3)(B), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1748.

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005, which is div. G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005.

AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 109-13 added par. (5).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2005 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-13, div. A, title III, § 3401(c), May 11, 2005, 119 Stat. 272, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005 [Pub. L. 108-447, div. G].”

§ 118. Actions against officers for official acts

In any action brought against any person for or on account of anything done by him while an officer of either House of Congress in the discharge of his official duty, in executing any order of such House, the United States attorney for the district within which the action is brought, on being thereto requested by the officer sued, shall enter an appearance in behalf of such officer; and all provisions of the eighth section of the Act of July 28, 1866, entitled “An Act to protect the revenue, and for other purposes”, and also all provisions of the sections of former Acts therein referred to, so far as the same relate to the removal of suits, the withholding of

executions, and the paying of judgments against revenue or other officers of the United States, shall become applicable to such action and to all proceedings and matters whatsoever connected therewith, and the defense of such action shall thenceforth be conducted under the supervision and direction of the Attorney General.

(Mar. 3, 1875, ch. 130, § 8, 18 Stat. 401; June 25, 1948, ch. 646, § 1, 62 Stat. 909.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The provisions of section 8 of act July 28, 1866, ch. 298, 14 Stat. 329, referred to in text, were contained generally in R.S. § 643, which was incorporated in the former Judicial Code, § 33, and was repealed by act June 25, 1948, ch. 646, § 39, 62 Stat. 992. See sections 1442, 1446, and 1447 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure. Other provisions referred to were contained in R.S. §§ 771, 989, which were also repealed by act June 25, 1948. See sections 509, 547, and 2006, respectively, of Title 28.

CHANGE OF NAME

Act June 25, 1948, eff. Sept. 1, 1948, substituted “United States attorney” for “district attorney”. See section 541 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

§ 118a. Officers of Senate

Section 118 of this title shall not apply to officers of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 95-521, title VII, § 714(d), Oct. 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 1884.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 3, 1979, see section 717 of Pub. L. 95-521, set out as a note under section 288 of this title.

§ 119. Stationery rooms of House and Senate; specification of classes of articles purchasable

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, respectively, shall make and issue regulations specifying the classes of articles which may be purchased by or through the stationery rooms of the House and Senate.

(May 13, 1926, ch. 294, § 2, 44 Stat. 552; Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 753, title I, § 102, 60 Stat. 814; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 204(65), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1739.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “Committee on House Oversight” for “Committee on Accounts”.

1946—Act Aug. 2, 1946, substituted “Committee on Rules and Administration” for “Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses”.

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.

Stationery room of House of Representatives redesignated Office Supply Service.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1946 AMENDMENT

Section 142 of act Aug. 2, 1946, provided that the amendment made by that act is effective Jan. 2, 1947.