

modifying a contract or exercising a contract option.

(b) SCOPE.—The prohibition under this section applies to the procurement of commercial items, the procurement of commercial-off-the-shelf-items, and the non-commercial procurement of supplies, property, services, and manufactured items, irrespective of contract vehicle, including contracts, purchase orders, task or deliver orders under indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contracts, blanket purchase agreements, and basic ordering agreements.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as—

(1) waiving, superseding, restricting, or limiting the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) or preventing Federal regulatory or law enforcement agencies from collecting or receiving information authorized by law; or

(2) precluding the Defense Contract Audit Agency from accessing and reviewing certain information, including political information, for the purpose of identifying unallowable costs and administering cost principles established pursuant to section 2324 of this title.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONTRACTOR.—The term “contractor” includes contractors, bidders, and offerors, and individuals and legal entities who would reasonably be expected to submit offers or bids for Federal Government contracts.

(2) POLITICAL INFORMATION.—The term “political information” means information relating to political spending, including any payment consisting of a contribution, expenditure, independent expenditure, or disbursement for an electioneering communication that is made by the contractor, any of its partners, officers, directors or employees, or any of its affiliates or subsidiaries to a candidate or on behalf of a candidate for election for Federal office, to a political committee, to a political party, to a third party entity with the intention or reasonable expectation that it would use the payment to make independent expenditures or electioneering communications, or that is otherwise made with respect to any election for Federal office, party affiliation, and voting history. Each of the terms “contribution”, “expenditure”, “independent expenditure”, “candidate”, “election”, “electioneering communication”, and “Federal office” has the meaning given the term in the Federal Campaign¹ Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.).

(Added Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VIII, §823(a), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1502.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, referred to in subsecs. (c)(1) and (d)(2), is Pub. L. 92-225, Feb. 7, 1972, 86 Stat. 3, which is classified principally to chapter 14 (§431 et seq.) of Title 2, The Congress. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 431 of Title 2 and Tables.

¹ So in original. Probably should be preceded by “Election”.

CHAPTER 138—COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

Subchapter I. Acquisition and Cross-Servicing Agreements 2341
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AMENDMENTS

1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, §1484(i)(7), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1718, inserted “Sec.” above “2341”.
1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title IX, §931(a)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1531, substituted “COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES” for “ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES” in chapter heading, and added subchapter analysis, consisting of subchapters I and II.
1987—Pub. L. 100-26, §7(a)(8), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 278, substituted “ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES” for “NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS” in chapter heading.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Chapter 138 was originally comprised of sections 2321 to 2331. Sections 2321 to 2328, 2330, and 2331, were renumbered sections 2341 to 2348, 2349, and 2350, respectively, of this title, by Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1304(a)(1), (3), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741.

Section 2329, added Pub. L. 96-323, §2(a), Aug. 4, 1980, 94 Stat. 1018, required the Secretary of Defense to prescribe regulations to implement this chapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1304(a)(2), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741.

SUBCHAPTER I—ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS

Sec. 2341. Authority to acquire logistic support, supplies, and services for elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States.
2342. Cross-servicing agreements.
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2344. Methods of payment for acquisitions and transfers by the United States.
2345. Liquidation of accrued credits and liabilities.
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2347. Limitation on amounts that may be obligated or accrued by the United States.
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2349. Overseas Workload Program.
2349a. Annual report on non-NATO agreements.
2350. Definitions.

AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XIII, §1317(c)(2)(B), (i)(2), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2900, 2902, substituted “Waiver of applicability of certain laws” for “Law applicable to acquisition and cross-servicing agreements” in item 2343 and added item 2349a.

1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XIV, §1431(a)(2), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1833, added item 2349.

1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIII, §1331(3), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1673, struck out item 2349 “Annual reports”.

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title IX, §931(a)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1531, added subchapter heading.

1986—Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XI, §1104(g), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3965, substituted “elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States” for “United States armed forces in Europe” in item 2341.

1985—Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1304(a)(6), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 742, renumbered items 2321 to 2328 as 2341 to 2348, respectively, and items 2330 and 2331 as 2349 and 2350, respectively, and struck out item 2329 “Regulations”.