

**§ 31a-2b. Transfer of funds from appropriations account of Majority and Minority Leaders of Senate to appropriations account, Miscellaneous Items, within Senate contingent fund**

**(a) Requests for transfers**

Upon the written request of the Majority or Minority Leader of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer during any fiscal year, from the appropriations account appropriated under the headings “Salaries, Officers and Employees” and “Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders”, such amount as either Leader shall specify to the appropriations account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, “Miscellaneous Items”.

**(b) Authority to incur expenses**

The Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate are each authorized to incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by either such leader shall be paid from the amount transferred pursuant to subsection (a) of this section by such leader and upon vouchers approved by such leader.

**(c) Authority to advance sums**

The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to advance such sums as may be necessary to defray expenses incurred in carrying out subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(Pub. L. 102-27, title II, Apr. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 144.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Dire Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Consequences of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Food Stamps, Unemployment Compensation Administration, Veterans Compensation and Pensions, and Other Urgent Needs Act of 1991.

**§ 31a-2c. Transfer of funds from appropriations account of Majority and Minority Whips of Senate to appropriations account, Miscellaneous Items, within Senate contingent fund**

**(a) Requests for transfers**

Upon the written request of the Majority or Minority Whip of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer during any fiscal year, from the appropriations account appropriated under the headings “SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES” and “OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS”, such amount as either whip shall specify to the appropriations account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, “MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS”.

**(b) Authority to incur expenses**

The Majority and Minority Whips of the Senate are each authorized to incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by either such whip shall be paid from the amount transferred pursuant to subsection (a) of this section by such whip and upon vouchers approved by such whip.

**(c) Authority to advance sums**

The Secretary of the Senate is authorized to advance such sums as may be necessary to defray expenses incurred in carrying out subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(Pub. L. 105-55, title I, §2, Oct. 7, 1997, 111 Stat. 1180.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1998, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1998.

**§ 31a-2d. Transfer of funds from appropriations account of the Office of the Vice President and the Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority to the Senate contingent fund**

**(a) Office of the Vice President**

**(1) In general**

Upon the written request of the Vice President, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer from the appropriations account appropriated under the subheading “OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT” under the heading “SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES” such amount as the Vice President shall specify to the appropriations account under the heading “MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS” within the contingent fund of the Senate.

**(2) Authority to incur expenses**

The Vice President may incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by the Vice President shall be paid from the amount transferred under paragraph (1) by the Vice President and upon vouchers approved by the Vice President.

**(3) Authority to advance sums**

The Secretary of the Senate may advance such sums as may be necessary to defray expenses incurred in carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2).

**(b) Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority**

**(1) In general**

Upon the written request of the Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority, the Secretary of the Senate shall transfer from the appropriations account appropriated under the subheading “OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY” under the heading “SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES” such amount as the Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority shall specify to the appropriations account under the heading “MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS” within the contingent fund of the Senate.

**(2) Authority to incur expenses**

The Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority may incur such expenses as may be necessary or appropriate. Expenses incurred by the Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority shall be paid from the amount transferred under paragraph (1) by the Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority and upon vouchers approved by the Secretary for the Majority or the Secretary for the Minority, as applicable.

**(3) Authority to advance sums**

The Secretary of the Senate may advance such sums as may be necessary to defray ex-

penses incurred in carrying out paragraphs (1) and (2).

**(c) Effective date**

This section shall apply to fiscal year 2005 and each fiscal year thereafter.

(Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title I, §5, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3169.)

CODIFICATION

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

**§ 31a-3. Expense allowance for Chairmen of Majority and Minority Conference Committees of Senate; method of payment; taxability**

For each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 1985), there is hereby authorized an expense allowance for the Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Conference Committees which shall not exceed \$5,000 each fiscal year for each such Chairman; and amounts from such allowance shall be paid to either of such Chairmen only as reimbursement for actual expenses incurred by him and upon certification and documentation of such expenses, and amounts so paid shall not be reported as income and shall not be allowed as a deduction under title 26.

(Pub. L. 99-88, title I, Aug. 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 348; Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, §1(d), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 349.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1985.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-7 substituted “not exceed \$5,000” for “not exceed \$3,000”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 108-7 applicable to fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, see section 1(f) of Pub. L. 108-7, set out as a note under section 31a-1 of this title.

**§ 31a-4. Expense allowance for Chairmen of Majority and Minority Policy Committees of Senate; method of payment; taxability**

For each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001), there is authorized an expense allowance for the Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Policy Committees which shall not exceed \$5,000 each fiscal year for each such Chairman; and amounts from such allowance shall be paid to either of such Chairmen only as reimbursement for actual expenses incurred by him and upon certification and documentation of such expenses, and amounts so paid shall not be reported as income and shall not be allowed as a deduction under title 26.

(Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(2) [title I, §5], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-97; Pub. L. 108-7, div. H, title I, §1(e), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 349.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 2001, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-7 substituted “\$5,000” for “\$3,000”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 108-7 applicable to fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, see section 1(f) of Pub. L. 108-7, set out as a note under section 31a-1 of this title.

**§ 31b. Expense allowance of Speaker of House of Representatives**

There shall be paid to the Speaker of the House of Representatives in equal monthly installments an expense allowance of \$10,000 per annum to assist in defraying expenses relating to or resulting from the discharge of his official duties, for which no accounting, other than for income tax purposes, shall be made by him.

(Jan. 19, 1949, ch. 2, §1(e), 63 Stat. 4; Oct. 20, 1951, ch. 521, title VI, §619(c), 65 Stat. 570; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(1), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1725.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 struck out “(which shall be in lieu of the allowance provided by section 601(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, as amended)” after “per annum”.

1951—Act Oct. 20, 1951, made Speaker’s expense allowance taxable.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1951 AMENDMENT

Amendment by act Oct. 20, 1951, effective at noon, Jan. 3, 1953, see section 619(e) of act Oct. 20, 1951, set out as a note under section 102 of Title 3, The President.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective at noon, Jan. 20, 1949, see section 3 of act Jan. 19, 1949.

**§ 31b-1. Former Speakers of House of Representatives; retention of office, furniture, etc., in Congressional district following expiration of term as Representative; exceptions**

(a) Each former Speaker of the House of Representatives (hereafter referred to in sections 31b-1 to 31b-7 of this title as the “Speaker”) is entitled to retain, for as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as a Representative in Congress the complete and exclusive use of one office selected by him in order to facilitate the administration, settlement, and conclusion of matters pertaining to or arising out of his incumbency in office as a Representative in Congress and as Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such office shall be located in the United States and shall be furnished and maintained by the Government in a condition appropriate for his use.

(b) Sections 31b-1 to 31b-7 of this title shall not apply with respect to any former Speaker of the House of Representatives for any period during which such former Speaker holds an appointive or elective office or position in or under the Federal Government or the government of the District of Columbia to which is attached a rate of pay other than a nominal rate or to any former Speaker separated from the service by reason of expulsion from the House.

(Pub. L. 91-665, ch. VIII, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1989; Pub. L. 93-532, §1, Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723; Pub. L. 99-225, Dec. 28, 1985, 99 Stat. 1743.)