

a bureau or office connected with it, may not be published in a newspaper except under written authority from the head of the department; and a bill for advertising or publication may not be paid unless there is presented with the bill a copy of the written authority.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1305.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 324 (R.S. § 3828).

### § 3703. Rate of payment for advertisements, notices, and proposals

Advertisements, notices, proposals for contracts, and all forms of advertising required by law for the several departments of the Government may be paid for at a price not to exceed the commercial rates charged to private individuals, with the usual discounts. But the heads of the several departments may secure lower terms at special rates when the public interest requires it. The rates shall include the furnishing of lawful evidence, under oath, of publication, to be made and furnished by the printer or publisher making publication.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1305.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §§ 322, 325 (R.S. § 853; June 20, 1878, ch. 359, § 1, 20 Stat. 216; Sept. 23, 1950, ch. 1010, § 5, 64 Stat. 986).

The second sentence of former section 325 was added. The balance was superseded by former section 322 which will be found in section 3703 of the revision.

## CHAPTER 39—GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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### § 3901. Purpose and establishment of the Office of Inspector General

In order to create an independent and objective office—

(1) to conduct and supervise audits and investigations relating to the Government Printing Office;

(2) to provide leadership and coordination and recommend policies to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness; and

(3) to provide a means of keeping the Public Printer and the Congress fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration and operations of the Government Printing Office;

there is hereby established an Office of Inspector General in the Government Printing Office.

(Added Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 202, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2530.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 206 of title II of Pub. L. 100-504 provided that: "The provisions of this title and the amendments made by this title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as notes under sections 101 and 3901 of this title]

shall take effect 180 days after the date of the enactment of this title [Oct. 18, 1988]."

#### SHORT TITLE

For short title of title II of Pub. L. 100-504, which enacted this chapter, as the "Government Printing Office Inspector General Act of 1988", see section 201 of Pub. L. 100-504, set out as a Short Title of 1988 Amendment note under section 101 of this title.

#### TRANSFER OF OFFICE

Section 203 of title II of Pub. L. 100-504 provided that: "(a) IN GENERAL.—There is transferred to the Office of Inspector General established pursuant to this title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as notes under sections 101 and 3901 of this title], the office of the Government Printing Office referred to as the 'Office of Inspector General'.

"(b) RELATED PROVISIONS.—With respect to such transferred office—

"(1) sections 9(b) and (c) of the Inspector General Act of 1978 [section 9(b), (c) of Pub. L. 95-452, 5 U.S.C. App.] shall apply; and

"(2) all the functions, powers, and duties of the office transferred by subsection (a) shall lapse.

"(c) PERSONNEL.—Any person who, on the effective date of this title [see Effective Date note above], held a position compensated in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations that govern selections, appointments, and employment within the Government Printing Office, and who, without a break in service, is appointed in the Office of Inspector General established by this title to a position having duties comparable to those performed immediately preceding such appointment shall continue to be compensated in the new position at not less than the rate provided for the previous position, for the duration of service in the new position."

#### PAYMENT AUTHORITY SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS

Section 205 of title II of Pub. L. 100-504 provided that: "Any authority to make payments under this title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as notes under sections 101 and 3901 of this title] shall be effective only to such extent as provided in appropriations Acts."

### § 3902. Appointment of Inspector General; supervision; removal

(a) There shall be at the head of the Office of Inspector General, an Inspector General who shall be appointed by the Public Printer without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of integrity and demonstrated ability in accounting, auditing, financial analysis, law, management analysis, public administration, or investigations. The Inspector General shall report to, and be under the general supervision of, the Public Printer. The Public Printer shall have no authority to prevent or prohibit the Inspector General from initiating, carrying out, or completing any audit or investigation, or from issuing any subpoena during the course of any audit or investigation.

(b) The Inspector General may be removed from office by the Public Printer. The Public Printer shall, promptly upon such removal, communicate in writing the reasons for any such removal to each House of the Congress.

(Added Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 202, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2530.)

### § 3903. Duties, responsibilities, authority, and reports

(a) Sections 4, 5, 6 (other than subsection (a)(7) and (8) thereof), and 7 of the Inspector General