

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.)

CODIFICATION

Subsection (a) of this section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665.

Subsection (b) of this section is based on section 1(b) of Pub. L. 93-532.

As originally enacted into permanent law, section applied to Speaker of House of Representatives in 91st Congress and has been extended to apply to each former Speaker of House of Representatives. See section 1(a) of Pub. L. 93-532, set out as a note under this section.

AMENDMENTS

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-225 substituted “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” for “the Federal office space which is currently made available for his use in the congressional district represented by him and which shall be maintained by the Government in a condition appropriate for his use as he may request, together with all furniture, equipment, and furnishings currently made available by the Government for his use in connection with such office space, including any necessary replacements of such office furniture, equipment, and furnishings, 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”.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 7 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, as enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665, provided that: “The foregoing provisions of this resolution [enacting sections 31b-1 to 31b-6 of this title] shall become effective on the date of the enactment of this resolution as permanent law [Jan. 8, 1971].”

EXTENSION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1238, 91ST CONGRESS, TO FORMER SPEAKERS OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Pub. L. 93-532, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723, provided that: “The provisions of H. Res. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, as enacted into permanent law by the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1971 (84 Stat. 1989) [enacting sections 31b-1 to 31b-6 of this title and provision set out as a note under this section], are hereby extended to, and made applicable with respect to, each former Speaker of the House of Representatives, as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as Representative in Congress.”

§ 31b-2. Allowance available to former Speaker for payment of office and other expenses for administration, etc., of matters pertaining to incumbency in office as Representative and Speaker

The Speaker is entitled to have the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives be available for payment of, for as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the expiration of his term of office as a Representative in Congress, an allowance equal to the Members' Representational Allowance (to be paid in the same manner as such Allowance) for office and other expenses incurred in connection with the administration, settlement, and con-

clusion 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.

(Pub. L. 91-665, ch. VIII, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1989; Pub. L. 93-532, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723; Pub. L. 99-151, title I, §102(b), Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 797; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(2), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1725.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 2 of House Resolution No. 1238, Ninety-first Congress, Dec. 23, 1970, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665.

As originally enacted into permanent law, section applied to Speaker of House of Representatives in 91st Congress and has been extended to apply to each former Speaker of House of Representatives. See section 1(a) of Pub. L. 93-532, set out as a note under section 31b-1 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “applicable accounts of the House of Representatives” for “contingent fund of the House” and “Members' Representational Allowance” for “base allowance component of the Official Expenses Allowance then currently in effect for each Member of the House”.

1985—Pub. L. 99-151 substituted “have the contingent fund of the House be available for payment of” for “reimbursement, from the contingent fund of the House” and “an allowance equal to the base allowance component of the Official Expenses Allowance then currently in effect for each Member of the House (to be paid in the same manner as such Allowance)” for “in the manner provided by applicable provisions of the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1955, as amended by the Act of June 13, 1957 (71 Stat. 82; Public Law 85-54), and by the provisions of House Resolution 831, Eighty-eighth Congress, adopted August 14, 1964, enacted as permanent law by section 103 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1966 (79 Stat. 281; Public Law 89-90; 2 U.S.C. 122a), in an aggregate quarterly amount equal to the aggregate quarterly amount to which a Member of the House of Representatives is entitled under such provisions of law as in effect on January 8, 1971, or as amended or supplemented after such date.”.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 8, 1971, see Effective Date note set out under section 31b-1 of this title.

CROSS REFERENCES

For establishment of Members' Representational Allowance, see section 57b of this title.

§ 31b-3. Repealed. Pub. L. 99-151, title I, § 102(b), Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 797

Section, based on H. Res. No. 1238, §3, Dec. 23, 1970, enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 91-665, ch. VIII, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1989; Pub. L. 93-532, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1723, provided for reimbursement of former Speaker of House for telephone service charges for administration, etc., of matters pertaining to incumbency in office as Representative and Speaker.

§ 31b-4. Franked mail and printing privileges of former Speaker

(a) The Speaker may send mail as franked mail under sections 3210 and 3213 of title 39, and send and receive mail as franked mail under section 3211 of that title, for as long as he determines there is need therefor, commencing at the close of the period specified in those sections following the expiration of his term of office as