

**§ 1461. Rules and regulations governing inspection and copying**

Nothing in sections 1460 to 1463 of this title shall be construed to limit or restrict in any manner the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe such rules and regulations as he may deem proper governing the inspection of the records of said department and its various bureaus by the general public, and any person having any particular interest in any of such records may be permitted to take copies of such records under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

(Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 370, § 2, 37 Stat. 498.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 489 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

**§ 1462. Attestation of copies by official seal**

All officers who furnish authenticated copies under section 1460 of this title shall attest their authentication by the use of an official seal, which is authorized for that purpose.

(Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 370, § 4, 37 Stat. 498.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 491 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1463. Disposition of receipts**

All sums received under the provisions of section 1460 of this title shall be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of miscellaneous receipts.

(Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 370, § 6, 37 Stat. 498.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 492 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1464. Agents or attorneys representing claimants before department**

The Secretary of the Interior may prescribe rules and regulations governing the recognition of agents, attorneys, or other persons representing claimants before his department, and may require of such persons, agents, and attorneys, before being recognized as representatives of claimants, that they shall show that they are of good moral character and in good repute, possessed of the necessary qualifications to enable them to render such claimants valuable service, and otherwise competent to advise and assist such claimants in the presentation of their claims and such Secretary may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, suspend or exclude

from further practice before his department any such person, agent, or attorney shown to be incompetent, disreputable, or who refuses to comply with the said rules and regulations, or who shall with intent to defraud in any manner, deceive, mislead, or threaten any claimant, or prospective claimant, by word, circular, letter, or by advertisement.

(July 4, 1884, ch. 181, § 5, 23 Stat. 101.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 493 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

**§ 1465. Annual reports of department and its bureaus**

The annual reports of the department and of all its bureaus and establishments, including the Bureau of Reclamation, shall not exceed a total of one thousand two hundred and fifty pages.

(May 24, 1922, ch. 199, 42 Stat. 554; Jan. 24, 1923, ch. 42, 42 Stat. 1176; June 5, 1924, ch. 264, 43 Stat. 392; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1143.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 495 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1466. Administration of oaths, affirmations, etc., by employees of Division of Investigations; force and effect**

Special agents and such other employees of the Division of Investigations, Department of the Interior of the United States, as are designated by the Secretary of the Interior for that purpose, are authorized and empowered to administer to or take from any person an oath, affirmation, affidavit, or deposition whenever necessary in the performance of their official duties. Any such oath, affirmation, affidavit, or deposition administered or taken by or before a special agent or such other employee of the Division of Investigations, Department of the Interior, designated by the Secretary of the Interior, when certified under his hand, shall have like force and effect as if administered or taken before an officer having a seal.

(Oct. 14, 1940, ch. 878, 54 Stat. 1175.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 498 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with

power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

**§ 1467. Working capital fund; establishment; uses; reimbursement**

There is established a working capital fund of \$300,000, to be available without fiscal year limitation, for expenses necessary for the maintenance and operation of (1) a central reproduction service; (2) communication services; (3) a central supply service for stationery, supplies, equipment, blank forms, and miscellaneous materials, for which adequate stocks may be maintained to meet in whole or in part requirements of the bureaus and offices of the Department in the city of Washington and elsewhere; (4) a central library service; (5) health services; and (6) such other similar service functions as the Secretary determines may be performed more advantageously on a reimbursable basis. Said fund shall be reimbursed from available funds of bureaus, offices, and agencies for which services are performed at rates which will return in full all expenses of operation, including reserves for accrued annual leave and depreciation of equipment.

(Sept. 6, 1950, Ch. 896, ch. VII, title I, §101, 64 Stat. 680.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 502 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1467a. Working capital fund; credit card refunds or rebates**

Refunds or rebates received on an on-going basis from a credit card services provider under the Department of the Interior's charge card programs, on and after October 11, 2000, may be deposited to and retained without fiscal year limitation in the Departmental Working Capital Fund established under 43 U.S.C. 1467 and used to fund management initiatives of general benefit to the Department of the Interior's bureaus and offices as determined by the Secretary or his designee.

(Pub. L. 106-291, title I, §113, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 943.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following prior appropriation act:

Pub. L. 106-113, div. B, §1000(a)(3) [title I, §118], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1535, 1501A-159.

**§ 1468. Working capital fund; availability for uniforms or allowances therefor**

The working capital fund, established by section 1467 of this title, shall on and after June 13, 1956 be available for uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by section 5901 of title 5.

(June 13, 1956, ch. 380, title I, §101, 70 Stat. 266.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 503 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1469. Employment and compensation of personnel to perform work occasioned by emergencies**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, persons may be employed or otherwise contracted with by the Secretary of the Interior to perform work occasioned by emergencies such as fire, flood, storm, or any other unavoidable cause and may be compensated at regular rates of pay without regard to Sundays, Federal holidays, and the regular workweek.

(Pub. L. 94-165, title I, §108, Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 990.)

**§ 1470. Appropriations; availability for certain administrative expenses**

Appropriations for field work of the Department of the Interior shall be available for the hire, with or without personal services, of boats, work animals, and animal-drawn and motor-propelled vehicles and equipment.

(June 25, 1946, ch. 472, §1, 60 Stat. 306.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 692 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97-258, §1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

**§ 1471. Appropriations; availability for payment of property damages**

Appropriations for contingent expenses of the Department of the Interior shall be available, to the extent specified therein, for the payment of damages to private property (not to exceed \$500 in any one case) caused by the negligent operation of motor vehicles under such appropriations.

(June 25, 1946, ch. 472, §2, 60 Stat. 306.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 693 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97-258, §1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

**§ 1471a. Availability of appropriations for emergency repair or replacement of damaged or destroyed facilities and equipment**

Appropriations in this title<sup>1</sup> or appropriations made under this title<sup>1</sup> in subsequent Energy and Water Development Appropriations Acts shall on and after October 2, 1992, be available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office), with the approval of the Secretary, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement, or repair of aircraft, buildings, utilities or other facilities or equipment damaged, rendered inoperable, or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, drought, or other unavoidable causes: *Provided*, That no funds shall be made available under this authority until funds specifically made available to the Department of the Interior for emergencies shall have been exhausted.

(Pub. L. 102-377, title II, §201, Oct. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 1331.)

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.