

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1301; Pub. L. 91-287, §2(b), June 23, 1970, 84 Stat. 321; Pub. L. 108-271, §8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §374 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §9, 57 Stat. 382).

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-271 substituted “Government Accountability Office” for “General Accounting Office” in section catchline and text.

1970—Pub. L. 91-287 substituted “under this chapter” for “under sections 3306-3308 of this title”.

§ 3310. Disposal of records constituting menace to health, life, or property

When the Archivist and the head of the agency that has custody of them jointly determine that records in the custody of an agency of the United States Government are a continuing menace to human health or life or to property, the Archivist shall eliminate the menace immediately by any method he considers necessary. When records in the custody of the Archivist are disposed of under this section, the Archivist shall report their disposal to the agency from which they were transferred.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1301; Pub. L. 98-497, title I, §107(b)(24), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2290.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §375 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §10, 57 Stat. 382; June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title I, §104(a), 63 Stat. 381).

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 substituted “Archivist” for “Administrator of General Services” and “Archivist” for “Administrator” wherever appearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

§ 3311. Destruction of records outside continental United States in time of war or when hostile action seems imminent; written report to Archivist

During a state of war between the United States and another nation, or when hostile action by a foreign power appears imminent, the head of an agency of the United States Government may authorize the destruction of records in his legal custody situated in a military or naval establishment, ship, or other depository outside the territorial limits of continental United States—

- (1) the retention of which would be prejudicial to the interests of the United States or
- (2) which occupy space urgently needed for military purposes and are, in his opinion, without sufficient administrative, legal, research, or other value to warrant their continued preservation.

Within six months after their disposal, the official who directed the disposal shall submit a written report to the Archivist in which he shall describe the character of the records and state when and where he disposed of them.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1301; Pub. L. 98-497, title I, §107(b)(23), (25)(C), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2290.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §376 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §11, 57 Stat. 382; June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title I, §104(a), 63 Stat. 381).

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 substituted “Archivist” for “Administrator of General Services” in section catchline and text.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

§ 3312. Photographs or microphotographs of records considered as originals; certified reproductions admissible in evidence

Photographs, microphotographs of records, or digitized records made in compliance with regulations under section 3302 of this title shall have the same effect as the originals and shall be treated as originals for the purpose of their admissibility in evidence. Certified or authenticated reproductions of the photographs, microphotographs, or digitized records shall be admitted in evidence equally with the original photographs, microphotographs, or digitized records.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1302; Pub. L. 113-187, §5(e), Nov. 26, 2014, 128 Stat. 2010.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §378 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §13, 57 Stat. 382).

AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113-187 substituted “Photographs, microphotographs of records, or digitized records” for “Photographs or microphotographs of records” and substituted “photographs, microphotographs, or digitized records” for “photographs or microphotographs” in two places.

§ 3313. Moneys from sale of records payable into the Treasury

Moneys derived by agencies of the Government from the sale of records disposed of under this chapter shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States unless otherwise required by law.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1302.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §379 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §14, 57 Stat. 383).

§ 3314. Procedures for disposal of records exclusive

The procedures prescribed by this chapter are exclusive, and records of the United States Government may not be alienated or destroyed except under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1302.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §380 (July 7, 1943, ch. 192, §15, 57 Stat. 383).

[[§ 3315 to 3324. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-187, § 7(a), Nov. 26, 2014, 128 Stat. 2011]]

Section 3315, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1698, related to definitions of certain terms used in sections 3315 to 3324.

Section 3316, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1699, related to the establishment of the National Study Commission on Records and Documents of Federal Officials.

Section 3317, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1699, related to the duties of the Commission.

Section 3318, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1699; amended Pub. L. 94-261, § 1(a), Apr. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 326, related to membership of the Commission.

Section 3319, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701, related to director, staff, experts, and consultants.

Section 3320, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701, related to the powers of the Commission.

Section 3321, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701, related to support services provided to the Commission by the Administrator of General Services and the Archivist of the United States.

Section 3322, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701; amended Pub. L. 94-261, § 1(b), Apr. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 326, related to the report of the Commission.

Section 3323, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701, related to termination of the Commission.

Section 3324, added Pub. L. 93-526, title II, § 202, Dec. 19, 1974, 88 Stat. 1701, related to authorization of appropriations.

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AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113-283, § 2(e)(1), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3086, added heading for subchapter II and items 3551 to 3558 and struck out heading for former subchapter II and items 3531 to 3538 and heading for subchapter III and items 3541 to 3549. Prior to amendment, headings for both subchapters II and III read “INFORMATION SECURITY” and items under each subchapter were substantially similar to items 3551 to 3558.

2002—Pub. L. 107-347, title III, § 301(b)(2), Dec. 17, 2002, 116 Stat. 2955, added heading for subchapter III and items 3541 to 3549.

Pub. L. 107-296, title X, § 1001(b)(2), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2267, reenacted items 3531 to 3535 without change, substituted “National security systems” for “Expiration” in item 3536, and added items 3537 and 3538.

Pub. L. 107-198, § 3(b), June 28, 2002, 116 Stat. 732, added item 3520 and renumbered former item 3520 as 3521.

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, § 1 [[div. A], title X, § 1064(a)(1)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-275, inserted subchapters I and II headings and added items 3531 to 3536.

1995—Pub. L. 104-13, § 2, May 22, 1995, 109 Stat. 163, amended chapter heading and analysis generally.

1980—Pub. L. 96-511, § 2(a), Dec. 11, 1980, 94 Stat. 2812, substituted in chapter heading “INFORMATION POLICY” for “REPORTING SERVICES”, and amended analysis generally.

SUBCHAPTER I—FEDERAL INFORMATION POLICY

AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, § 1 [[div. A], title X, § 1064(a)(2)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-275, inserted subchapter heading.

§ 3501. Purposes

The purposes of this subchapter are to—

(1) minimize the paperwork burden for individuals, small businesses, educational and nonprofit institutions, Federal contractors, State, local and tribal governments, and other persons resulting from the collection of information by or for the Federal Government;

(2) ensure the greatest possible public benefit from and maximize the utility of information created, collected, maintained, used, shared and disseminated by or for the Federal Government;

(3) coordinate, integrate, and to the extent practicable and appropriate, make uniform Federal information resources management policies and practices as a means to improve the productivity, efficiency, and effectiveness of Government programs, including the reduction of information collection burdens on the public and the improvement of service delivery to the public;

(4) improve the quality and use of Federal information to strengthen decisionmaking, accountability, and openness in Government and society;

(5) minimize the cost to the Federal Government of the creation, collection, maintenance,