

### § 3701. Advertisements for contracts in District of Columbia

Advertisements for contracts for the public service may not be published in any newspaper published and printed in the District of Columbia unless the supplies or labor covered by the advertisement are to be furnished or performed in the District of Columbia or in the adjoining counties of Maryland or Virginia.

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

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., § 321 (R.S. § 79; June 20, 1874, ch. 328, 18 Stat. 90; Feb. 18, 1875, ch. 80, § 1, 18 Stat. 317; July 31, 1876, ch. 246, 19 Stat. 105; Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 744, § 17(b), 60 Stat. 811; 1950 Reorg. Plan No. 20, § 2(b), eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3178, 64 Stat. 1272).

### § 3702. Advertisements not to be published without written authority

Advertisements, notices, or proposals for an executive department of the Government, or for a bureau or office connected with it, may not be published in a newspaper except under written authority from the head of the department; and a bill for advertising or publication may not be paid unless there is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 The balance was superseded by former section 322 which will be found in section 3703 of the revision.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 PUBLISHING OFFICE: OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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#### CHANGE OF NAME

“Government Publishing Office” substituted for “Government Printing Office” in chapter heading on

authority of section 1301(b) of Pub. L. 113-235, div. H, title I, Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537, set out as a note preceding section 301 of this title.

### § 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 Publishing 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 Director of the Government Publishing Office and the Congress fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration and operations of the Government Publishing Office;

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

(Added Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 202, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2530; amended Pub. L. 113-235, div. H, title I, § 1301(b), (c)(1), Dec. 16, 2014, 128 Stat. 2537.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2014—Par. (3). Pub. L. 113-235, § 1301(c)(1), substituted “Director of the Government Publishing Office” for “Public Printer”.

#### CHANGE OF NAME

“Government Publishing Office” substituted for “Government Printing Office” in pars. (1) and (3) and concluding provisions on authority of section 1301(b) of Pub. L. 113-235, set out as a note preceding section 301 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 206, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2532, 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

Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 203, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2531 transferred the office of the Government Printing Office referred to as the “Office of Inspector General”, and the functions, powers, duties, and certain personnel of that office, to the Office of Inspector General in the Government Printing Office.

#### PAYMENT AUTHORITY SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS

Pub. L. 100-504, title II, § 205, Oct. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 2531, 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