

tion level from which he is appointed, which is two steps above the step in such level which he had attained immediately prior to such appointment;

(2) at the rate of the lowest step for which the rate of compensation exceeds, by not less than two steps of the compensation level from which he is appointed, his rate of compensation immediately prior to such appointment; or

(3) at the rate of the highest step of such higher compensation level, or at his rate of compensation immediately prior to such appointment, whichever rate is the higher.

(b) The committee may provide by regulations for the payment of compensation, at an appropriate compensation step determined in accordance with such regulations, to each employee subject to the House Wage Schedule (HWS) who is appointed to a position in a higher compensation level of such schedule or whose position is placed in a higher compensation level of such schedule pursuant to a reclassification of such position.

(Pub. L. 88-652, § 8, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1082.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1965, see section 17 of Pub. L. 88-652, set out as a note under section 291 of this title.

### § 298. Reductions in compensation level

Each employee in a position of a compensation level of the House Employees Schedule (HS) or the House Wage Schedule (HWS), whose employment in such position and level is terminated and who is reemployed, with or without break in service, in a position in a lower compensation level (HS level or HWS level) of such schedule, or whose position is placed in a lower compensation level of such schedule pursuant to a reclassification of such position, shall be placed by the committee in such step of such lower compensation level as the committee deems appropriate.

(Pub. L. 88-652, § 9, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1083.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1965, see section 17 of Pub. L. 88-652, set out as a note under section 291 of this title.

### § 299. Repealed. Pub. L. 106-554, § 1(a)(2) [title I, § 102(a)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-100

Section, Pub. L. 88-652, § 10, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1083, related to compensation level of individual appointed to position subject to House Employees Schedule or House Wage Schedule.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 106-554, § 1(a)(2) [title I, § 102(b)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-100, provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [repealing this section] shall apply with respect to employees appointed on or after October 1, 2000."

### § 300. Establishment of positions; payment from applicable accounts

The committee may authorize the establishment of additional positions of the kind to which this chapter applies, on a permanent basis or on a temporary basis of not to exceed six

months' duration, whenever, in the judgment of the committee, such action is warranted in the interests of the orderly and efficient operation of the House of Representatives. The compensation of each such position may be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives until otherwise provided by law. An additional position of the kind to which this chapter applies shall not be established without authorization of the committee.

(Pub. L. 88-652, § 11, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1083; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 209(3), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1743.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 88-652, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079, known as the House Employees Position Classification Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 291 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted "applicable accounts" for "contingent fund".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1965, see section 17 of Pub. L. 88-652, set out as a note under section 291 of this title.

### § 301. Preservation of existing appointing authorities

This chapter shall not be held or considered to change or otherwise affect—

(1) any authority to establish positions under the House of Representatives which are not within the purview of this chapter, or

(2) any authority to make appointments to positions under the House of Representatives, irrespective of whether such positions are within the purview of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 88-652, § 12, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1083.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 88-652, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079, known as the House Employees Position Classification Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 291 of this title and Tables.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1965, see section 17 of Pub. L. 88-652, set out as a note under section 291 of this title.

### § 302. Regulations

The committee is authorized to prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 88-652, § 13, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1084.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 88-652, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079, known as the House Employees Position Classification Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 291 of this title and Tables.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 1, 1965, see section 17 of Pub. L. 88-652, set out as a note under section 291 of this title.