

The exception of “the General Accounting Office” in subsection (b)(3) is added to preserve application to the executive branch.

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 108-271 substituted “Government Accountability Office” for “General Accounting Office”.

§ 2954. Information to committees of Congress on request

An Executive agency, on request of the Committee on Government Operations of the House of Representatives, or of any seven members thereof, or on request of the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate, or any five members thereof, shall submit any information requested of it relating to any matter within the jurisdiction of the committee.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 413; Pub. L. 103-437, §3(b), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4581.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 105a.	May 29, 1928, ch. 901, §2, 45 Stat. 996.

The words “Executive agency” are substituted for “executive department and independent establishment” in view of the definition of “Executive agency” in section 105.

The words “Committee on Government Operations of the House of Representatives” are substituted for “Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments of the House of Representatives” on authority of H. Res. 647 of the 82d Congress, adopted July 3, 1952.

The words “Committee on Government Operations of the Senate” are substituted for “Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments of the Senate” on authority of S. Res. 280 of the 82d Congress, adopted Mar. 3, 1952.

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AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-437 substituted “Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate” for “Committee on Government Operations of the Senate”.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Governmental Affairs of Senate changed to Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of Senate, effective Jan. 4, 2005, by Senate Resolution No. 445, One Hundred Eighth Congress, Oct. 9, 2004.

Committee on Government Operations of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress. Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Government Reform of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999. Committee on Government Reform of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

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AMENDMENTS

- 2017—Pub. L. 115-1, §2(b), Jan. 20, 2017, 131 Stat. 5, added subchapter V heading and items 3171 and 3172.
2011—Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title XI, §1109(b), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1615, added item 3111a.
2010—Pub. L. 111-203, title IX, §929G(b), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 1856, added item 3114 and struck out former item 3114 “Appointment of accountants, economists, and examiners by the Securities and Exchange Commission”.
2003—Pub. L. 108-44, §2(b), July 3, 2003, 117 Stat. 843, added item 3114.

¹ So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.

2000—Pub. L. 106-398, § 1 [[div. A], title XI, § 1101(b)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-310, added subchapter IV heading and item 3161.

1997—Pub. L. 105-61, title VI, § 638(b), Oct. 10, 1997, 111 Stat. 1317, added item 3113.

1995—Pub. L. 104-66, title II, § 2181(a)(2), Dec. 21, 1995, 109 Stat. 732, struck out item 3135 “Biennial report”.

1988—Pub. L. 100-325, § 1(b), May 30, 1988, 102 Stat. 581, added subchapter III heading and items 3151 and 3152.

1980—Pub. L. 96-523, § 1(b), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3040, substituted “personal assistants for handicapped employees, including blind and” for “reading assistants for blind employees and interpreting assistants for” in item 3102.

1978—Pub. L. 95-454, title III, §§ 301(b), 302(b)(1), 307(b)(3), title IV, § 402(c), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1145, 1146, 1148, 1160, added heading for subchapter I, substituted “reading assistants for blind employees and interpreting assistants for deaf employees” for “readers for blind employees” in item 3102, and added items 3111, 3112, heading for subchapter II, and items 3131 to 3136.

Pub. L. 95-251, § 2(c)(2), Mar. 27, 1978, 92 Stat. 184, substituted “administrative law judges” for “hearing examiners” in item 3105.

1967—Pub. L. 90-206, title II, § 221(b), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 640, added item 3110.

SUBCHAPTER I—EMPLOYMENT
AUTHORITIES

AMENDMENTS

1979—Pub. L. 96-54, § 2(a)(10), Aug. 14, 1979, 93 Stat. 381, added heading for subchapter I.

§ 3101. General authority to employ

Each Executive agency, military department, and the government of the District of Columbia may employ such number of employees of the various classes recognized by chapter 51 of this title as Congress may appropriate for from year to year.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 414.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Derivation</i>	<i>U.S. Code</i>	<i>Revised Statutes and Statutes at Large</i>
.....	5 U.S.C. 43.	R.S. § 169. June 26, 1930, ch. 618, 46 Stat. 817.
.....	5 U.S.C. 514d (2d par.).	Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, § 709, 58 Stat. 743.

The authorization is restated to conform to the style of this title. The word “Executive agency” are substituted for “executive department, independent establishment” in view of the definitions in sections 103, 104, and 105. The source statute (an act to authorize the appointment of employees in the executive branch etc.) applied to the entire executive branch, and government corporations as well as other agencies in the executive branch were included within the words “independent establishment”. The words “or a military department” are inserted to preserve the application of the source statute. Before enactment of the National Security Act Amendments of 1949 (63 Stat. 578), the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force were Executive departments. The National Security Act Amendments of 1949 established the Department of Defense as an Executive department including the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force as military departments, not as Executive departments. However, the source statute for this subsection, which was in effect in 1949, remained applicable to the Secretaries of the military departments by virtue of section 12(g) of the National Security Act Amendments of 1949 (63 Stat. 591), which is set out in the reviser’s note

for section 301. The words “for services in the District of Columbia or elsewhere” are eliminated as surplusage. The reference to chapter 51 is substituted for the reference to the Classification Act of 1923 because the Act of Oct. 28, 1949, ch. 782, § 1106(a), 63 Stat. 972, amended the section to refer to the Classification Act of 1949, which is carried into this title. The proviso in former section 43 and former section 514d (2d par.) are omitted as superseded by former section 22a, which is carried into section 302. The last sentence of the Act of June 26, 1930, is omitted as executed.

This section was part of title IV of the Revised Statutes. The Act of July 26, 1947, ch. 343, § 201(d), as added Aug. 10, 1949, ch. 412, § 4, 63 Stat. 579 (former 5 U.S.C. 171-1), which provides “Except to the extent inconsistent with the provisions of this Act [National Security Act of 1947], the provisions of title IV of the Revised Statutes as now or hereafter amended shall be applicable to the Department of Defense” is omitted from this title but is not repealed.

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REPORTS ON POLITICAL APPOINTEES APPOINTED TO
NONPOLITICAL PERMANENT POSITIONS

Pub. L. 114-136, § 4, Mar. 18, 2016, 130 Stat. 305, provided that:

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

“(1) the term ‘agency’ has the meaning given the term ‘Executive agency’ in section 105 of title 5, United States Code;

“(2) the term ‘covered civil service position’ means a position in the civil service (as defined in section 2101 of title 5, United States Code) that is not—

“(A) a temporary position; or

“(B) a political position;

“(3) the term ‘former political appointee’ means an individual who—

“(A) is not serving in an appointment to a political position; and

“(B) served as a political appointee during the 5-year period ending on the date of the request for an appointment to a covered civil service position in any agency;

“(4) the term ‘political appointee’ means an individual serving in an appointment to a political position; and

“(5) the term ‘political position’ means—

“(A) a position described under sections 5312 through 5316 of title 5, United States Code (relating to the Executive Schedule);

“(B) a noncareer appointment in the Senior Executive Service, as defined under paragraph (7) of section 3132(a) of title 5, United States Code; or

“(C) a position in the executive branch of the Government of a confidential or policy-determining character under schedule C of subpart C of part 213 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations.

“(b) REPORTING ON CURRENT OR RECENT POLITICAL APPOINTEES APPOINTED TO COVERED CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS.—

“(1) ANNUAL REPORT.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Director of the Office of Personnel Management shall submit to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives an annual report regarding requests by agencies to appoint political appointees or former political appointees to covered civil service positions. Each report shall cover one calendar year and shall—

“(A) for each request by an agency that a political appointee be appointed to a covered civil service position during the period covered by the report, provide—

“(i) the date on which the request was received by the Office of Personnel Management;

“(ii) subject to subsection (c), the name of the individual and the political position held by the individual, including title, office, and agency;