

**(f) Burden of proof**

In a civil action to recover a civil penalty under this section, the Attorney General must establish the right to recovery by a preponderance of the evidence.

**(g) Administrative subpoenas****(1) In general**

For the purpose of conducting a civil investigation in contemplation of a civil proceeding under this section, the Attorney General may—

(A) administer oaths and affirmations;

(B) take evidence; and

(C) by subpoena, summon witnesses and require the production of any books, papers, correspondence, memoranda, or other records which the Attorney General deems relevant or material to the inquiry. Such subpoena may require the attendance of witnesses and the production of any such records from any place in the United States at any place in the United States designated by the Attorney General.

**(2) Procedures applicable**

The same procedures and limitations as are provided with respect to civil investigative demands in subsections (g), (h), and (j) of section 1968 of title 18 apply with respect to a subpoena issued under this subsection. Process required by such subsections to be served upon the custodian shall be served on the Attorney General. Failure to comply with an order of the court to enforce such subpoena shall be punishable as contempt.

**(3) Limitation**

In the case of a subpoena for which the return date is less than 5 days after the date of service, no person shall be found in contempt for failure to comply by the return date if such person files a petition under paragraph (2) not later than 5 days after the date of service.

**(h) Statute of limitations**

A civil action under this section may not be commenced later than 10 years after the cause of action accrues.

(Pub. L. 101-73, title IX, §951, Aug. 9, 1989, 103 Stat. 498; Pub. L. 101-647, title XXV, §§2533, 2596(d), Nov. 29, 1990, 104 Stat. 4882, 4908; Pub. L. 103-322, title XXXIII, §330003(g), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 2141; Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title II, §2704(d)(15)(A), Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-494; Pub. L. 107-100, §4(b), Dec. 21, 2001, 115 Stat. 966; Pub. L. 109-171, title II, §2102(b), Feb. 8, 2006, 120 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 109-173, §9(g)(1), Feb. 15, 2006, 119 Stat. 3618.)

## CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, and not as part of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act which comprises this chapter.

## AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b)(3)(B). Pub. L. 109-173 inserted “and after the merger of such funds, the Deposit Insurance Fund,” after “the Savings Association Insurance Fund.”

Pub. L. 109-171 repealed Pub. L. 104-208, §2704(d)(15)(A). See 1996 Amendment note below.

2001—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 107-100, §4(b)(2)(D), designated concluding provisions as (d) and inserted heading.

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 107-100, §4(b)(2)(B)(i), which directed the substitution of “1341” for “1341;”, could not be executed because par. (2) does not contain a semicolon after “1341”.

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 107-100, §4(b)(2)(A), (B)(ii), (C), added par. (3).

Subsec. (d) to (h). Pub. L. 107-100, §4(b)(1), (2)(D), designated concluding provisions of subsec. (c) as (d), inserted heading, and redesignated former subsecs. (d) to (g) as (e) to (h), respectively.

1996—Subsec. (b)(3)(B). Pub. L. 104-208, §2704(d)(15)(A), which directed substitution of “Deposit Insurance Fund” for “Bank Insurance Fund, the Savings Association Insurance Fund,” was repealed by Pub. L. 109-171. See Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note below and 2006 Amendment note above.

1994—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 103-322 amended directory language of Pub. L. 101-647, §2596(d). See 1990 Amendment note below.

1990—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 101-647, §2596(d)(2), as amended by Pub. L. 103-322, inserted at end a flush sentence “This section shall apply to violations occurring on or after August 10, 1984.”

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 101-647, §2596(d)(1), as amended by Pub. L. 103-322, which directed insertion of “287, 1001, 1032,” before “1341;”, was executed by making the insertion before “1341 or 1343” to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 101-647, §2533, added subsec. (g).

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-173 effective Mar. 31, 2006, see section 9(j) of Pub. L. 109-173, set out as a note under section 24 of this title.

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-171 effective no later than the first day of the first calendar quarter that begins after the end of the 90-day period beginning Feb. 8, 2006, see section 2102(c) of Pub. L. 109-171, set out as a Merger of BIF and SAIF note under section 1821 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-208 effective Jan. 1, 1999, if no insured depository institution is a savings association on that date, see section 2704(c) of Pub. L. 104-208, formerly set out as a note under section 1821 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-322, title XXXIII, §330003(g), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 2141, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective retroactively to the date of enactment of Pub. L. 101-647, which was approved Nov. 29, 1990.

**§ 1833b. Comparability in compensation schedules****(a) In general**

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Comptroller of the Currency, the National Credit Union Administration Board, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the Office of Financial Research, and the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, the<sup>1</sup> Farm Credit Administration, in establishing and adjusting schedules of compensation and benefits which are to be determined solely by each agency under applicable provisions of law, shall inform the heads of the other agencies and the Congress of such compensation and benefits and shall seek to main-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “Research, the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and the”.

tain comparability regarding compensation and benefits.

**(b) Commodity Futures Trading Commission**

In establishing and adjusting schedules of compensation and benefits for employees of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission under applicable provisions of law, the Commission shall—

- (1) inform the heads of the agencies referred to in subsection (a) and Congress of such compensation and benefits; and
- (2) seek to maintain comparability with those agencies regarding compensation and benefits.

(Pub. L. 101-73, title XII, §1206, Aug. 9, 1989, 103 Stat. 523; Pub. L. 102-233, title III, §302(a), Dec. 12, 1991, 105 Stat. 1767; Pub. L. 107-123, §8(d)(3), Jan. 16, 2002, 115 Stat. 2400; Pub. L. 107-171, title X, §10702(b), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 516; Pub. L. 111-203, title I, §152(d)(3), title III, §367(8), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 1414, 1557.)

**CODIFICATION**

Section was enacted as part of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, and not as part of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act which comprises this chapter.

**AMENDMENTS**

2010—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-203, §367(8)(B), which directed striking out “, and the Office of Thrift Supervision” could not be executed because those words did not appear subsequent to amendment by Pub. L. 111-203, §152(d)(3)(B). See below.

Pub. L. 111-203, §367(8)(A), which directed substitution of “Agency, and” for “Board, the Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corporation”, was executed by substituting “Agency” for “Board” after “Federal Housing Finance”, to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the amendments made by Pub. L. 107-123 and section 302(a) of Pub. L. 102-233. See 2002 Amendment note and Change of Name note below.

Pub. L. 111-203, §152(d)(3), substituted “Finance Board, the Office of Financial Research, and the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection” for “Finance Board,” and struck out “and the Office of Thrift Supervision,” after “Credit Administration.”

2002—Pub. L. 107-171 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

Pub. L. 107-123 struck out “the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corporation” after “Federal Housing Finance Board.”

**CHANGE OF NAME**

Oversight Board redesignated Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, effective Feb. 1, 1992, see section 302(a) of Pub. L. 102-233, formerly set out as a note under section 1441a of this title. Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board abolished, see section 14(a)-(d) of Pub. L. 105-216, formerly set out as a note under section 1441a of this title.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by section 152(d)(3) of Pub. L. 111-203 effective 1 day after July 21, 2010, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as an Effective Date note under section 5301 of this title.

Amendment by section 367(8) of Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the transfer date, see section 351 of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 906 of Title 2, The Congress.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2002 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 107-123 effective Oct. 1, 2001, see section 11 of Pub. L. 107-123, set out as a note under section 78ee of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

**§ 1833c. Comptroller General audit and access to records**

**(a) Audit of agencies or other persons performing functions under banking laws**

**(1) In general**

Except as provided in paragraph (2), all agencies, corporations, organizations, and other persons of any description which perform any function or activity under this Act, or any other Act which is amended by this Act, shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller General of the United States with respect to such function or activity.

**(2) Exceptions**

Paragraph (1) shall not apply to—

(A) any function or activity of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or the Federal Reserve banks that is described in any paragraph of section 714(b) of title 31; and

(B) any function or activity of the Federal National Mortgage Association, except as provided in section 1723a(j) of this title.

**(b) Audit of persons providing certain goods or services**

All persons and organizations which, by contract, grant, or otherwise, provide goods or services to, or receive financial assistance from, any agency or other person performing functions or activities under this Act shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller General with respect to such provision of goods or services or receipt of financial assistance.

**(c) Provisions applicable to audits under this section**

**(1) Nature and scope of audit**

The Comptroller General shall determine the nature, scope, and terms and conditions of audits conducted under this section.

**(2) Coordination with other provisions of law**

The authority of the Comptroller General under this section shall be in addition to any audit authority available to the Comptroller General under other provisions of this Act or any other law.

**(3) Rights of access, examination, and copying**

The Comptroller General, and any duly authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to, and the right to examine and copy, all records and other recorded information in any form, and to examine any property, within the possession or control of any agency or person which is subject to audit under this section which the Comptroller General deems relevant to an audit conducted under this section.

**(4) Enforcement of right of access**

The Comptroller General's right of access to information under this section shall be enforceable pursuant to section 716 of title 31.

**(5) Maintenance of confidential records**

The provisions of section 716(e) of title 31 shall apply to information obtained by the Comptroller General under this section.

(Pub. L. 101-73, title XII, §1213, Aug. 9, 1989, 103 Stat. 528.)