to the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to those buildings"

Act Apr. 22, 1955, ch. 26, Ch. XIIA, 69 Stat. 41, known as the Additional House Office Building Act of 1955, authorized the construction of an additional fireproof office building for use of the House of Representatives, on a site approved by the House Office Building Commission, in accordance with plans prepared by the Architect of the Capitol and approved by the Commission, authorized the Architect of the Capitol to acquire certain real property in the District of Columbia, subject to the approval of the Commission, for construction of the office building or for additions to the United States Capitol Grounds, designated the necessary procedure for condemnation proceedings conducted pursuant to such real property acquisition, authorized the demolition of certain buildings by the Architect, and appropriated \$5,000,000 and authorized such additional appropriations as the Commission deemed necessary for the construction project.

#### USE OF CONGRESSIONAL HOTEL AS HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING; LEASE OF UNUSED SPACE

Pub. L. 92-313, §8, June 16, 1972, 86 Stat. 222, provided that:

"(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the House Office Building Commission is authorized (1) to use, to such extent as it may deem necessary, for the purpose of providing office and other accommodations for the House of Representatives, the building, known as the Congressional Hotel, acquired by the Government in 1957 as part of Lot 20 in Square 692 in the District of Columbia under authority of the Additional House Office Building Act of 1955 [act Apr. 22, 1955, ch. 26, Ch. XIIA, 69 Stat. 41, see note above] and (2) to direct the Architect of the Capitol to lease, at fair market value, for such other use and under such terms and conditions and to such parties as such Commission may authorize, any space in such building not required for the aforesaid purpose.

"(b) Any space in such building used for office and other accommodations for the House of Representatives shall be deemed to be a part of the 'House Office Buildings' and, as such, shall be subject to the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to those buildings."

### ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACE FOR HOUSE EMPLOYEES

House Resolution No. 208, Ninety-fourth Congress, Feb. 24, 1975, as enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 94-59, title II, §201, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 282, and amended by Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §221(4)(B), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1749, provided: "That the chairman, Committee on House Oversight [now Committee on House Administration] of the House of Representatives is authorized:

"(1) to lease or to otherwise provide additional indoor and outdoor parking facilities for employees of the House of Representatives in an area or areas in the District of Columbia outside but adjacent to the limits of the United States Capitol Grounds;

"(2) to regulate and assign such additional parking facilities;

"(3) to utilize the United States Capitol Police with respect to such parking areas, and transit routes; and "(4) to utilize the services of the Architect of the

Capitol to prepare bids, leases, or otherwise assist in obtaining such additional parking facilities.

Until otherwise provided by law, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives such sums as may be necessary to carry out this authorization"

### INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL AREAS AND BUILDINGS

For inclusion of additional areas and buildings as part of the United States Capitol grounds, see order of the House Office Building Commission affecting the Capitol grounds and buildings, set out as a note under section 5102 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works.

COMPENSATION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF GARAGES OF HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Pub. L. 100-458, title I, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2170, as amended by Pub. L. 102–90, title I, \$105, Aug. 14, 1991, 105 Stat. 460; Pub. L. 104–186, title II, \$221(4)(A), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1748, provided: "That upon enactment of this Act [Oct. 1, 1988], the pay for the position of Superintendent of Garages shall be equivalent to the pay payable for positions at step 1 of level 12 of the House Employees Schedule, subject to the further increases authorized under section 5306(a)(1)(B) of title 5, United States Code, relating to the implementation of salary comparability policy, and subject to any increase which may be allowed by the Committee on House Oversight [now Committee on House Administration] based on performance exceeding an acceptable level of competence over a 52-week period (except that no such performance-based increase shall affect the waiting period or effective date of any longevity step-increase or increase under such section 5306(a)(1)(B)).

# COMPENSATION OF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO HOUSE GARAGES IN CONNECTION WITH PARKING ACTIVITIES

Pub. L. 93–245, ch. VI, Jan. 3, 1974, 87 Stat. 1079, provided that: "Effective on the first day of the first applicable pay period which begins on or after the date of enactment of this Act Jan. 3, 1974], the compensation of personnel assigned to the House garages in connection with parking activities and paid from the appropriation 'House Office Building' under the Architect of the Capitol, shall be fixed by the Architect of the Capitol without regard to chapter 51 and subchapters III and IV of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code, and shall thereafter be adjusted in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 5307."

# § 2002. Acquisition of buildings and facilities for use in emergency situation

## (a) Acquisition of buildings and facilities

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in order to respond to an emergency situation, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may acquire buildings and facilities, subject to the availability of appropriations, for the use of the House of Representatives by lease, purchase, or such other arrangement as the Chief Administrative Officer considers appropriate (including a memorandum of understanding with the head of an executive agency, as defined in section 105 of title 5, in the case of a building or facility under the control of such Agency), subject to the approval of the House Office Building Commission.

## (b) Agreements

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for purposes of carrying out subsection (a), the Chief Administrative Officer may carry out such activities and enter into such agreements related to the use of any building or facility acquired pursuant to such subsection as the Chief Administrative Officer considers appropriate, including—

(1) agreements with the United States Capitol Police or any other entity relating to the policing of such building or facility; and

(2) agreements with the Architect of the Capitol or any other entity relating to the care and maintenance of such building or facility.

# (c) Authority of Capitol Police and Architect (1) Architect of the Capitol

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Architect of the Capitol may take any action necessary to carry out an agreement entered into with the Chief Administrative Officer pursuant to subsection (b).

#### (2) Omitted

#### (d) Transfer of certain funds

Subject to the approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, the Architect of the Capitol may transfer to the Chief Administrative Officer amounts made available to the Architect for necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the House office buildings during a fiscal year in order to cover any portion of the costs incurred by the Chief Administrative Officer during the year in acquiring a building or facility pursuant to subsection (a).

#### (e) Effective date

This section and the amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–117, div. B, §903, Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2317; Pub. L. 107–206, title I, §903(a)(1), Aug. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 876.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

#### References in Text

For the amendments made by this section, referred to in subsec. (e), see Codification note below.

#### CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 175a of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062.

Section is comprised of section 903 of Pub. L. 107–117. Subsec. (c)(2) of section 903 of Pub. L. 107–117 amended section 1961 of this title.

#### AMENDMENTS

2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107–206 substituted "buildings and facilities, subject to the availability of appropriations," for "buildings and facilities".

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2002 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 107-206, title I, §903(c), Aug. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 876, provided that: "The amendment made by this section [amending this section and section 1961 of this title] shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002 [Pub. L. 107-117, div. B]."

# § 2003. Speaker as member of House Office Building commission

The Speaker shall continue a member of the commission in control of said building until his successor as Speaker is elected or his term as a Representative in Congress shall have expired.

(Mar. 4, 1911, ch. 240, 36 Stat. 1306.)

# **Editorial Notes**

### CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 176 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002. 116 Stat. 1062.

Section is based on act Mar. 4, 1911, popularly known as the "Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1911".

# § 2004. Assignment of rooms in House Office Building

The assignment of rooms in the House Office Building, made prior to May 28, 1908, by resolution or order of the House of Representatives, shall continue in force until modified or changed in accordance with the provisions of sections 2004 to 2011 of this title, and the room so assigned to any Representative shall continue to be held by such Representative as his individual office room so long as he shall remain a Member or Member-elect of the House of Representatives, or until he shall relinquish the same, subject, however, to the provisions of said sections, and no Representative shall allow his office room to be used for any other purpose.

(May 28, 1908, No. 30, 35 Stat. 578.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 177 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062.

# § 2005. Vacant rooms; assignment to Representa-

Any Member or Member-elect of the House of Representatives may file with the Architect of the Capitol a request in writing that any individual office room be assigned to him whenever it shall become vacant. If only one such request has been made for any room which shall at any time have become vacant, the room shall be assigned as requested. If two or more requests are made for the same vacant room, preference shall be given to the Representative making the request who has been longest in continuous service as a Member and Member-elect of the House of Representatives. If two or more Representatives with equal length of continuous service, or two or more Representatives-elect make request for the same room, preference shall be given to the one first preferring his request.

(May 28, 1908, No. 30, 35 Stat. 578; Mar. 3, 1921, ch. 124, 41 Stat. 1291.)

## Editorial Notes

### CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 178 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002. 116 Stat. 1062.

### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### CHANGE OF NAME

Change of name of Architect of the Capitol, functions abolished, transferred, etc., by prior acts, see Prior Provisions and Change of Name notes set out under section 1801 of this title.

# § 2006. Withdrawal by Representative of request for vacant rooms

A Representative or Representative-elect making request for the assignment of a vacant room may withdraw the same at any time and no one shall have pending at the same time