

**Editorial Notes****CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 74a-13 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005, which is div. G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005.

**AMENDMENTS**

2011—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 112-74, §102(a), substituted “the Speaker of the House of Representatives (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican Party, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives)” for “the chair of the Republican Conference”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 112-74, §102(b), inserted “, and which shall be obligated and expended as directed by the Speaker (or, if the Speaker is not a member of the Republican party, the Minority Leader)” before period at end.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries****EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2011 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 112-74, div. G, title I, §102(c), Dec. 23, 2011, 125 Stat. 1121, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2012 and each succeeding fiscal year.”

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**SUBCHAPTER I—MEMBER PAY****§ 5301. Representatives' and Delegates' salaries payable monthly**

Representatives and Delegates-elect to Congress, whose credentials in due form of law have been duly filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, in accordance with the provisions of section 26 of this title, may receive their compensation monthly, from the beginning of their term until the beginning of the first session of each Congress, upon a certificate in the form now in use to be signed by the Clerk of the House, which certificate shall have the like force and effect as is given to the certificate of the Speaker.

(R.S. §38; Mar. 3, 1875, ch. 130, §1, 18 Stat. 389.)

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R.S. §38 derived from act Mar. 3, 1873, ch. 226, §1, 17 Stat. 488.

**§ 5302. Salaries payable monthly after taking oath**

Each Member and Delegate, after he has taken and subscribed the required oath, is entitled to receive his salary at the end of each month.

(R.S. §39.)

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Section was formerly classified to section 35 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

R.S. §39 derived from Res. Mar. 29, 1867, No. 18, 15 Stat. 24.

**§ 5303. End-of-the-month salary payment schedule inapplicable to Senators**

Section 5302 of this title shall not be construed as being applicable to a Senator.

(Pub. L. 97-51, §112(c), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 963.)

**Editorial Notes****CODIFICATION**

Section was formerly classified to section 35a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Provisions of subsec. (c) of section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51 that such subsec. (c) would apply on and after the effective date of the amendments and repeals made by section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51 were omitted in the codification of this section since their impact was identical to that of the effective date provisions of subsec. (e) of section 112 of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 6301 of this title. See Effective Date note below.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective in the case of compensation payable for months after December 1981, see section 112(e) of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as an Effective Date of 1981 Amendment note under section 6301 of this title.

#### § 5304. Salaries of Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners elected for unexpired terms

The salaries of Representatives in Congress, Delegates from Territories, and Resident Commissioners, elected for unexpired terms, shall commence on the date of their election and not before.

(July 16, 1914, ch. 141, §1, 38 Stat. 458.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 37 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

#### § 5305. Disposition of unpaid salary and other sums on death of Representative or Resident Commissioner

When any individual who has been elected a Member of, or Resident Commissioner to, the House of Representatives dies after the commencement of the Congress to which he has been elected, any unpaid balance of salary and other sums due such individual shall be paid to the person or persons surviving at the date of death, in the following order of precedence, and such payment shall be a bar to the recovery by any other person of amounts so paid:

First, to the beneficiary or beneficiaries designated by such individual in writing to receive such unpaid balance and other sums due filed with the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and received by the Chief Administrative Officer prior to such individual's death;

Second, if there be no such beneficiary, to the widow or widower of such individual;

Third, if there be no beneficiary or surviving spouse, to the child or children of such individual, and descendants of deceased children, by representation;

Fourth, if none of the above, to the parents of such individual, or the survivor of them;

Fifth, if there be none of the above, to the duly appointed legal representative of the estate of the deceased individual, or if there be none, to the person or persons determined to be entitled thereto under the laws of the domicile of the deceased individual.

(July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, §105, 68 Stat. 409; Pub. L. 86-102, July 23, 1959, 73 Stat. 224; Pub. L.

104-186, title II, §203(5), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1725.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 38a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

##### AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 struck out “(including amounts held in the trust fund account in the office of the Sergeant at Arms)” after “due such individual” in first undesignated par. and substituted “Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and received by the Chief Administrative Officer” for “Sergeant at Arms, and received by the Sergeant at Arms” in second undesignated par.

1959—Pub. L. 86-102 inserted provisions including amounts held in trust fund account, authorizing an individual to designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries, and prescribing order of precedence in cases where no designation of beneficiary has been made.

#### § 5306. Deductions for absence

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives (upon certification by the Clerk of the House of Representatives) shall deduct from the monthly payments (or other periodic payments authorized by law) of each Member or Delegate the amount of his salary for each day that he has been absent from the House, unless such Member or Delegate assigns as the reason for such absence the sickness of himself or of some member of his family.

(R.S. §40; Pub. L. 97-51, §112(d), Oct. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 963; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §203(7), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1726; Pub. L. 109-55, title I, §5, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 568.)

#### Editorial Notes

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R.S. §40 derived from act Aug. 16, 1856, ch. 123, §6, 11 Stat. 49.

##### AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109-55 struck out “Secretary of the Senate and the” before “Chief Administrative Officer”, “, respectively,” before “shall deduct from”, “, respectively” before “, unless such Member”, and “Senate or” after “absent from the”.

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives (upon certification by the Clerk of the House of Representatives)” for “Sergeant-at-Arms of the House”.

1981—Pub. L. 97-51 substituted “from the monthly payments (or other periodic payments authorized by law)” for “from the monthly payments”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-51 effective in the case of compensation payable for months after December 1981, see section 112(e) of Pub. L. 97-51, set out as a note under section 6301 of this title.

#### § 5307. Certification of salary and mileage accounts

Salary and mileage accounts of Representatives and Delegates shall be certified by the