and also all provisions of the sections of former Acts therein referred to, so far as the same relate to the removal of suits, the withholding of executions, and the paying of judgments against revenue or other officers of the United States, shall become applicable to such action and to all proceedings and matters whatsoever connected therewith, and the defense of such action shall thenceforth be conducted under the supervision and direction of the Attorney General.

(Mar. 3, 1875, ch. 130, §8, 18 Stat. 401; June 25, 1948, ch. 646, §1, 62 Stat. 909.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

## References in Text

The provisions of section 8 of act July 28, 1866, ch. 298, 14 Stat. 329, referred to in text, were contained generally in R.S. §643, which was incorporated in the former Judicial Code, §33, and was repealed by act June 25, 1948, ch. 646, §39, 62 Stat. 992. See sections 1442, 1446, and 1447 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure. Other provisions referred to were contained in R.S. §§771, 989, which were also repealed by act June 25, 1948. See sections 509, 547, and 2006, respectively, of Title 28.

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 118 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

## Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### CHANGE OF NAME

Act June 25, 1948, eff. Sept. 1, 1948, substituted "United States attorney" for "district attorney". See section 541 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

#### §5504. Officers of Senate

Section 5503 of this title shall not apply to officers of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 95-521, title VII, §714(d), Oct. 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 1884.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 118a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

## **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Jan. 3, 1979, see section 717 of Pub. L. 95-521, set out as a note under section 288 of this title.

## § 5505. Payments from applicable accounts of House of Representatives

## (a) In general

No payment may be made from the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives (as determined by the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives), unless sanctioned by that Committee. Payments on vouchers approved in the manner directed by that Committee shall be deemed, held, and taken, and are declared to be conclusive upon all the departments and officers of the Government.

## (b) Definitions

As used in this section—

(1) the term "applicable accounts of the House of Representatives" means accounts for salaries and expenses of committees (other than the Committee on Appropriations), the computer support organization of the House of Representatives, and allowances and expenses of Members of the House of Representatives, and administrative and support offices of the House of Representatives; and

(2) the term "Member of the House of Representatives" means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

(Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §105, Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1721.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 95–1 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is comprised of section 105 of Pub. L. 104-186. Subsec. (c) of section 105 of Pub. L. 104-186 amended former section 95 of this title.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in former section 95 of this title prior to amendment of that section by Pub. L. 104-186, title I, §105(c), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1722.

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

#### CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

## § 5506. Appropriations for expenses of House; restrictions

Appropriations made for expenses of the House of Representatives shall not be used for the payment of personal services except upon the express and specific authorization of the House in whose behalf such services are rendered. Nor shall such appropriations be used for any expenses not intimately and directly connected with the routine legislative business of the House of Representatives, and the Government Accountability Office shall apply the provisions of this section in the settlement of the accounts of expenditures from said appropriations incurred for services or materials.

(Feb. 14, 1902, ch. 17, §1, 32 Stat. 26; June 10, 1921, ch. 18, title III, §304, 42 Stat. 24; Pub. L. 104–186, title II, §204(45), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1737; Pub. L. 108–271, §8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

## **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 95a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section. Section was also formerly classified to section 671 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97–258, §1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

Section is based on provisions of proviso on 32 Stat. 26, act of Feb. 14, 1902, ch. 17, the Urgent Deficiency Ap-

propriation Act for the fiscal year 1902, relating to appropriations for contingent expenses of House of Representatives. Provisions of proviso relating to appropriations for expenses of Senate are classified to section 6505 of this title.

#### Amendments

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 substituted "expenses of the House" for "contingent expenses of the House".

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

"Government Accountability Office" substituted in text for "General Accounting Office" pursuant to section 8 of Pub. L. 108-271, set out as a note under section 702 of Title 31, Money and Finance, which redesignated the General Accounting Office and any references thereto as the Government Accountability Office. Previously, "General Accounting Office" substituted in text for "accounting officers of the Treasury" pursuant to act June 10, 1921, which transferred powers and duties of Comptroller, six auditors, and certain other employees of the Treasury to General Accounting Office. See section 701 et seq. of Title 31.

## §5507. Transfers of amounts appropriated for House

## (a) Transfers among categories of allowances and expenses

Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under the heading "ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES" may be transferred among and merged with the various categories of allowances and expenses under such heading, effective upon the expiration of the 21-day period (or such alternative period that may be imposed by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives) which begins on the date such Committee has been notified of the transfer.

## (b) Transfers among offices and activities

Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under the heading "SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES" may be transferred among and merged with the various offices and activities under such heading, effective upon the expiration of the 21-day period (or such alternative period that may be imposed by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives) which begins on the date such Committee has been notified of the transfer.

# (c) Transfers among various appropriations headings

(1) Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under the headings specified in paragraph (2) may be transferred among and merged with such headings, effective upon the expiration of the 21-day period (or such alternative period that may be imposed by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives) which begins on the date such Committee has been notified of the transfer.

(2) The headings referred to in paragraph (1) are "House Leadership Offices", "Members' Representational Allowances", "Committee Employees", "Salaries, Officers and Employees", "Allowances and Expenses", the heading for any joint committee under the heading "Joint

Items" (to the extent that amounts appropriated for the joint committee are disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives), "Office of the Attending Physician", "Allowance for Compensation of Interns in Member Offices"<sup>1</sup> "Allowance for Compensation of Interns in House Leadership Offices", and "House of Representatives Modernization Initiatives Account".

## (d) Transfers to Architect of the Capitol

Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under the heading "Allowances and Expenses" may be transferred to the Architect of the Capitol and merged with and made available under the heading "House Office Buildings", subject to the approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

## (e) Transfers to House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund

Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under any heading other than the heading "Members' Representational Allowances" may be transferred to the Architect of the Capitol and merged with and made available under the heading "House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund", subject to the approval of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

## (f) Transfers among House Leadership Offices

Amounts appropriated for any fiscal year for the House of Representatives under the heading "House Leadership Offices" may be transferred among and merged with the various offices and activities under such heading, effective upon the expiration of the 21-day period (or such alternative period that may be imposed by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives) which begins on the date such Committee has been notified of the transfer.

(Pub. L. 102–392, title I, §101, Oct. 6, 1992, 106 Stat. 1709; Pub. L. 108–7, div. H, title I, §109(a), Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 355; Pub. L. 111–8, div. G, title I, §§103(a), 105(a), (b), Mar. 11, 2009, 123 Stat. 817, 818; Pub. L. 111–68, div. A, title I, §§104(a), 1304(d), Oct. 1, 2009, 123 Stat. 2029, 2035; Pub. L. 113–76, div. I, title I, §103(a), Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 422; Pub. L. 115–244, div. B, title I, §119(a), Sept. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 2930; Pub. L. 116–94, div. E, title I, §§112(b), 113(e), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 2759; Pub. L. 116–260, div. I, title I, §115(d), Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 1637.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 95b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1993, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1993.

#### Amendments

 $2020{\rm --}Subsec.~(c)(2).$  Pub. L. 116–260 substituted '''Allowance for Compensation of Interns in House Leadership Offices', and 'House of Representatives Moderniza-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be followed by a comma.