

Section is from the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007, which is div. B of Pub. L. 109-289, and is based on section 107 of title I of H.R. 5521, as passed by the House of Representatives on June 7, 2006, which was enacted into law by section 20702(b) of Pub. L. 109-289, as added by Pub. L. 110-5.

SUBCHAPTER VIII—SERGEANT AT ARMS

§ 5601. Sergeant at Arms of House; additional compensation

The Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives shall receive, directly or indirectly, no fees or other compensation or emolument whatever for performing the duties of the office, or in connection therewith, otherwise than the salary prescribed by law.

(June 20, 1874, ch. 328, 18 Stat. 87.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 77 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were also contained in act Mar. 3, 1875, ch. 129, 18 Stat. 346.

§ 5602. Tenure of office of Sergeant at Arms

Any person duly elected and qualified as Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives shall continue in said office until his successor is chosen and qualified, subject however, to removal by the House of Representatives.

(Oct. 1, 1890, ch. 1256, § 6, 26 Stat. 646.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

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§ 5603. Symbol of office of Sergeant at Arms

The symbol of his office shall be the mace, which shall be borne by him while enforcing order on the floor.

(Oct. 1, 1890, ch. 1256, § 2, 26 Stat. 645.)

Editorial Notes

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§ 5604. Duties of Sergeant at Arms

It shall be the duty of the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives to attend the House during its sittings, to maintain order under the direction of the Speaker, and, pending the election of a Speaker or Speaker pro tempore, under the direction of the Clerk, execute the commands of the House and all processes issued by authority thereof, directed to him by the Speaker.

(Oct. 1, 1890, ch. 1256, § 1, 26 Stat. 645; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, § 204(25)(A), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1733.)

Editorial Notes

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AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-186 struck out “, keep the accounts for the pay and mileage of Members and Delegates, and pay them as provided by law” after “directed to him by the Speaker”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Effective Feb. 1, 2010, functions of House of Representatives Office of Emergency Planning, Preparedness, and Operations transferred to Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, see section 105 of title I of div. G of Pub. L. 112-74, set out as a note under former section 130i of this title.

§ 5605. Law enforcement authority of Sergeant at Arms

(a) Law enforcement authority

The Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives shall have the same law enforcement authority, including the authority to carry firearms, as a member of the Capitol Police. The law enforcement authority under the preceding sentence shall be subject to the requirement that the Sergeant at Arms have the qualifications specified in subsection (b).

(b) Qualifications

The qualifications referred to in subsection (a) are the following:

(1) A minimum of five years of experience as a law enforcement officer before beginning service as the Sergeant at Arms.

(2) Current certification in the use of firearms by the appropriate Federal law enforcement entity or an equivalent non-Federal entity.

(3) Any other firearms qualification required for members of the Capitol Police.

(c) Regulations

The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall have authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 104-53, title III, § 313, Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 538.)

Editorial Notes

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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.