

1940—Act June 6, 1940, substituted “\$350,000” for “\$275,000” and “\$250,000” for “\$175,000”.

1939—Act June 7, 1939, inserted last sentence.

1937—Act Apr. 23, 1937, substituted “\$275,000” for “\$175,000” in two places and “\$175,000” for “\$75,000”.

1935—Act June 14, 1935, substituted “\$175,000” for “\$100,000” and inserted provision that \$100,000 of the \$175,000 annual appropriation be expended for books in raised characters and the balance for sound-reproduction records.

1933—Act Mar. 4, 1933, inserted “published either in raised characters, on sound-reproduction records, or in any other form”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1957 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 85–308, § 2, Sept. 7, 1957, 71 Stat. 630, provided that: “This Act [amending this section] shall be applicable with respect to the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, and for each fiscal year thereafter.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1946 AMENDMENT

Act Aug. 8, 1946, ch. 868, § 2, 60 Stat. 908, provided: “This Act [amending this section] shall be applicable with respect to the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, and for each fiscal year thereafter.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1944 AMENDMENT

Act June 13, 1944, ch. 246, § 2, 58 Stat. 276, provided: “This Act [amending this section] shall be applicable with respect to the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for each fiscal year thereafter.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1942 AMENDMENT

Act Oct. 1, 1942, ch. 575, § 2, 56 Stat. 764, provided: “This Act [amending this section] shall be applicable with respect to the fiscal year ending June 30, 1943, and for each fiscal year thereafter.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1937 AMENDMENT

Act Apr. 23, 1937, ch. 125, § 2, 50 Stat. 72, provided that: “This Act [amending this section] shall be applicable with respect to the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938, and for each fiscal year thereafter.”

#### § 135a–1. Repealed. Pub. L. 116–94, div. P, title XIV, § 1403(b), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 3207

Section, Pub. L. 87–765, Oct. 9, 1962, 76 Stat. 763; Pub. L. 89–522, § 2, July 30, 1966, 80 Stat. 331, related to library of musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials for use of blind persons or other physically disabled residents. See section 135a of this title.

#### § 135b. Local and regional centers; preference to blind and other physically handicapped veterans; rules and regulations; authorization of appropriations

(a) The Librarian of Congress may contract or otherwise arrange with such public or other nonprofit libraries, agencies, or organizations as he may deem appropriate to serve as local or regional centers for the circulation of (1) books, recordings, and reproducers referred to in section 135a of this title, and (2) musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials referred to in section 135a–1<sup>1</sup> of this title, under such conditions and regulations as he may prescribe. In the lending of such books, recordings, reproducers, musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials, pref-

erence shall at all times be given to the needs of the blind and of the other physically handicapped persons who have been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

(Mar. 3, 1931, ch. 400, § 2, 46 Stat. 1487; Pub. L. 89–522, § 1, July 30, 1966, 80 Stat. 330.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 135a–1 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was repealed by Pub. L. 116–94, div. P, title XIV, § 1403(b), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 3207. See section 135a of this title.

##### AMENDMENTS

1966—Pub. L. 89–522 extended Librarian’s authority to arrange for local and regional centers by authorizing him to contract with public or other nonprofit libraries, agencies, or organizations, extended field to include recordings, reproducers, musical scores, instructional texts, and other materials, substituted “Armed Forces of the United States” for “United States military or naval service”, and extended veteran preference to include other physically handicapped individuals in addition to blind persons.

#### § 136. Librarian of Congress; rules and regulations

The Librarian of Congress shall make rules and regulations for the government of the Library.

(Feb. 19, 1897, ch. 265, § 1, 29 Stat. 544, 546; Pub. L. 92–310, title II, § 220(f), June 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 204; Pub. L. 114–86, § 3, Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 675.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

R.S. §§ 88, 89, 4950, which were repealed by acts Feb. 28, 1933, ch. 131, § 1, 47 Stat. 1349; Mar. 3, 1933, ch. 202, § 1, 47 Stat. 1428, 1431.

##### AMENDMENTS

2015—Pub. L. 114–86 struck out provisions relating to appointment of Librarian of Congress.

1972—Pub. L. 92–310 struck out provisions which required the Librarian of Congress to give a bond in the sum of \$20,000.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### SHORT TITLE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 114–86, § 1, Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 675, provided that: “This Act [enacting section 136–1 of this title and amending this section] may be cited as the ‘Librarian of Congress Succession Modernization Act of 2015’.”

#### § 136–1. Appointment and term of service of Librarian of Congress

##### (a) In general

The President shall appoint the Librarian of Congress, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

##### (b) Term of service

The Librarian of Congress shall be appointed for a term of 10 years.

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.