

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

1971—Pub. L. 92-51 substituted provision for Legislative Counsel to send official mail matter of the Office as franked mail under section 3210 of title 39, for former provision granting the Office the same privilege of free transmission of official mail matter as other offices of the United States Government.

**§ 282e. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, and for each fiscal year thereafter, such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subchapter and to increase the efficiency of the Office and the quality of the services which it provides.

(Pub. L. 91-510, title V, §526, Oct. 26, 1970, 84 Stat. 1203.)

**CHAPTER 9A—OFFICE OF LAW REVISION COUNSEL**

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**§ 285. Establishment**

There is established in the House of Representatives an office to be known as the Office of the Law Revision Counsel, referred to hereinafter in this chapter as the "Office".

(Pub. L. 93-554, title I, ch. III, §101, Dec. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1777.)

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## CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 205(a) of House Resolution No. 988, Ninety-third Congress, Oct. 8, 1974, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 93-554.

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## EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 93-554, title I, ch. III, Dec. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1777, provided that the enactment of House Resolution No. 988, Ninety-third Congress, Oct. 8, 1974, into permanent law is effective on Jan. 2, 1975. This chapter is derived from enactment into permanent law of section 205 of House Resolution No. 988.

**§ 285a. Purpose and policy**

The principal purpose of the Office shall be to develop and keep current an official and positive codification of the laws of the United States. The Office shall maintain impartiality as to issues of legislative policy to be determined by the House.

(Pub. L. 93-554, title I, ch. III, §101, Dec. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1777.)

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## CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 205(b) of House Resolution No. 988, Ninety-third Congress, Oct. 8, 1974, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 93-554.

**§ 285b. Functions**

The functions of the Office shall be as follows:

(1) To prepare, and submit to the Committee on the Judiciary one title at a time, a complete compilation, restatement, and revision of the general and permanent laws of the United States which conforms to the understood policy, intent, and purpose of the Congress in the original enactments, with such amendments and corrections as will remove ambiguities, contradictions, and other imperfections both of substance and of form, separately stated, with a view to the enactment of each title as positive law.

(2) To examine periodically all of the public laws enacted by the Congress and submit to the Committee on the Judiciary recommendations for the repeal of obsolete, superfluous, and superseded provisions contained therein.

(3) To prepare and publish periodically a new edition of the United States Code (including those titles which are not yet enacted into positive law as well as those titles which have been so enacted), with annual cumulative supplements reflecting newly enacted laws.

(4) To classify newly enacted provisions of law to their proper positions in the Code where the titles involved have not yet been enacted into positive law.

(5) To prepare and submit periodically such revisions in the titles of the Code which have been enacted into positive law as may be necessary to keep such titles current.

(6) To prepare and publish periodically new editions of the District of Columbia Code, with annual cumulative supplements reflecting newly enacted laws, through publication of the fifth annual cumulative supplement to the 1973 edition of such Code.

(7) To provide the Committee on the Judiciary with such advice and assistance as the committee may request in carrying out its functions with respect to the revision and codification of the Federal statutes.

(Pub. L. 93-554, title I, ch. III, §101, Dec. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1777; Pub. L. 94-386, §1, Aug. 14, 1976, 90 Stat. 1170.)

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## CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 205(c) of House Resolution No. 988, Ninety-third Congress, Oct. 8, 1974, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 93-554.

## AMENDMENTS

1976—Par. (6). Pub. L. 94-386 substituted "through publication of the fifth annual cumulative supplement to the 1973 edition of such Code" for "until such time as the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act becomes effective".

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## PREPARATION AND PUBLICATION OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CODE UNDER DIRECTION OF COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Pub. L. 94-386, §2, Aug. 14, 1976, 90 Stat. 1170, provided that:

"(a) After publication by the Law Revision Counsel of the fifth annual cumulative supplement to the 1973 edition of the District of Columbia Code, new editions of