

to the Department of Agriculture may be used for the payment of transportation expenses and per diem in lieu of subsistence expenses, in accordance with subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, for travel between places of recruitment and duty, and while at places of duty, of persons appointed for temporary or seasonal services in inspection, classing or grading agricultural commodities.

(Aug. 3, 1956, ch. 950, §12, 70 Stat. 1034.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 541e of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

“Subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5” substituted in text for “the Travel Expense Act of 1949” on authority of Pub. L. 89-554, §7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, the first section of which enacted Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### § 2230. Employees in Alaska; subsistence, equipment, and supplies

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to furnish subsistence to employees of the United States Department of Agriculture in the Territory of Alaska, and to purchase personal equipment and supplies for them, and to make deductions to meet the cost thereof from any money appropriated for salary payments or otherwise due such employees.

(Feb. 16, 1931, ch. 200, 46 Stat. 1162.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 543a of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### REPEAL

Insofar as the provisions of this section relating to subsistence may conflict with those of sections 821 to 823, and 827 to 833 of former Title 5, which are now covered by sections 102, 105, 2105, 2106, 5701, 5705, 5707 and 5708 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, they were repealed by section 829 of former Title 5, which is now covered by section 5708 of Title 5.

#### Executive Documents

##### ADMISSION OF ALASKA AS STATE

Admission of Alaska into the Union was accomplished Jan. 3, 1959, on issuance of Proc. No. 3269, Jan. 3, 1959, 24 F.R. 81, 73 Stat. c16, as required by sections 1 and 8(c) of Pub. L. 85-508, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 339, set out as notes preceding section 21 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

#### § 2231. Official expenses of employees stationed abroad

Employees of the Department of Agriculture stationed abroad may, with the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture, enter into leases for official quarters, for periods not exceeding one year, and may pay rent, telephone, subscriptions

to publications, and other charges incident to the conduct of their offices and the discharge of their duties, in advance, in any foreign country where custom or practice requires payment in advance.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title VII, §705(c), 58 Stat. 742.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

This section was enacted as part of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944.

Section was formerly classified to section 543b of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following Department of Agriculture Appropriation Acts:

June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 426.  
 July 12, 1943, ch. 215, 57 Stat. 393.  
 July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 665.  
 July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 409.  
 June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 532.  
 June 30, 1939, ch. 253, title I, 53 Stat. 940.  
 June 16, 1938, ch. 464, title I, 52 Stat. 711.  
 June 29, 1937, ch. 404, 50 Stat. 395.

#### § 2231a. Reimbursement of employees for costs of State licenses and certification fees

On and after October 28, 1991, notwithstanding any other provision of law, any appropriations or funds available to the agencies of the Department of Agriculture may be used to reimburse employees for the cost of State licenses and certification fees pursuant to their Department of Agriculture position and that are necessary to comply with State laws, regulations, and requirements.

(Pub. L. 102-142, title VII, §738, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 915.)

#### § 2231b. First amendment rights of employees of the United States Department of Agriculture

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no employee of the United States Department of Agriculture shall be peremptorily removed, on or after February 15, 1994, from the position of the employee without an opportunity for a public or nonpublic hearing, at the option of the employee, because of remarks made during personal time in opposition to policies, or proposed policies, of the Department, including policies or proposed policies regarding homosexuals. Any employee removed on or after February 15, 1994, without the opportunity for such a hearing shall be reinstated to the position of the employee pending such a hearing.

(Pub. L. 103-354, title III, §302, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3239.)

#### § 2232. Stenographic reporting service

The Department of Agriculture is authorized to contract for stenographic reporting services.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title VII, §705(b), 58 Stat. 742.)