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Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. FORD, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INOUYE, and Mr. CHAFEE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

~~SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.~~

~~(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:~~

~~(1) Senator Wendell H. Ford of Kentucky, who has served four terms in the U.S. Senate beginning in 1974 and has announced his retirement at the end of the 105th Congress, has been a staunch advocate of the right of the American public to have free and open access to the publications of their Federal Government.~~

~~(2) Senator Ford has been a supporter and friend to libraries and education all of his political life.~~

~~(3) Senator Ford has become a trusted and effective Member of the U.S. Senate as evidenced by his election by his peers to be Assistant Democratic Leader of the Senate on two different occasions.~~

~~(4) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford completely restructured and streamlined State government to make it more responsive to the people and more effective in providing services.~~

~~(5) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford moved the Division of Archives and Records from the Department for Finance and Administration to the Department of Libraries to merge the State's~~

~~two primary information agencies into one department.~~

~~(6) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford dramatically increased funding to all levels of education, and as a U.S. Senator has always supported full funding for Library Services and Construction Act and Library Services and Technology Act programs.~~

~~(7) Senator Ford shaped and sponsored the National Voter Registration Act to make it easier for citizens to participate in their government by choosing their leaders.~~

~~(8) Senator Ford, as a member of the Senate Commerce Committee, was instrumental in ensuring that the Telecommunications Act of 1996 included a provision that allows generous discounts for schools and libraries to connect with the Internet.~~

~~(9) Senator Ford has been a major proponent of making Federal information accessible to the people through the Federal Depository Library Program.~~

~~(10) Senator Ford has been a determined supporter of the Government Printing Office and its information dissemination programs, frequently safe-~~

~~guarding the resources needed for the Federal Depository Library Program.~~

~~(11) Senator Ford cosponsored and supported S.J. Res. 57, the National Policy on Permanent Paper, to promote the use of permanent papers in printing Federal Government publications of enduring value to the people.~~

~~(12) Senator Ford, through his leadership role on the Senate Rules and Administration Committee and the Joint Committee on Printing, improved the people's access to Federal Government information by holding hearings on the issue of "fugitive documents" in 1991.~~

~~(13) Senator Ford, through his leadership role on the Senate Rules and Administration Committee and the Joint Committee on Printing, was a prime mover in the passage of the "Government Printing Office Electronic Information Enhancement Act of 1993," enabling GPO to move onto the electronic information highway and to create an electronic storage facility for electronic government information.~~

~~(14) Senator Ford, in recognition of his active support for greater public access to Federal Government information resources, received the James~~

~~Madison Award from the Coalition of Government Information in 1993.~~

~~(15) Senator Ford, in recognition of his lifelong support of libraries and library programs, his dedication to the principle of public access to Federal Government information throughout his congressional career, and in honor of his retirement from the U.S. Senate after twenty-four years of distinguished service to his country and the people of the United States, was awarded Honorary Membership in the American Library Association on June 27, 1998.~~

~~(16) It is altogether fitting and proper that this Act, the most comprehensive and far reaching proposal to ensure permanent public access to the Government's publications, regardless of form or format, to come before the Congress of the United States during the tenure of Senator Ford, be named in his honor.~~

~~(b) SHORT TITLE.—This Act shall be cited as the "Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Reform Act of 1998".~~

~~SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.~~

~~The table of contents is as follows:~~

~~Sec. 1. Short title.~~
~~Sec. 2. Table of contents.~~
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~~Sec. 4. Definitions.~~

~~TITLE I—TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING~~

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~~Sec. 403. Distribution and sale of Government publications by Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~
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~~TITLE V—ADMINISTRATIVE AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS~~

~~Sec. 501. Continuation of employment terms and conditions.~~
~~Sec. 502. Proceedings not affected.~~
~~Sec. 503. Suits not affected.~~
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~~Sec. 505. Separability.~~
~~Sec. 506. Transfer of certain functions of the Joint Committee on Printing.~~
~~Sec. 507. Additional technical and conforming amendments.~~
~~Sec. 508. Implementation actions.~~
~~Sec. 509. Effective date.~~

~~SEC. 3. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.~~

~~(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—~~

~~(1) in a democracy, public access to Government publications is fundamental to fostering an informed citizenry in order to promote meaningful participation in the democratic process;~~

~~(2) easy and equitable access to Federal Government publications contributes to economic development in many sectors of the Nation's economy;~~

~~(3) permanent public access to Federal Government publications through a diversity of sources, including a system of Federal publications access libraries, should be guaranteed;~~

~~(4) the Federal Government should seek the most effective and efficient means of producing, disseminating, and providing permanent public access to its publications, and these means should not be placed at risk due to jurisdictional disputes between the branches of the Federal Government;~~

~~(5) duplicative in-house agency publications production is costly and inefficient and should be phased out and replaced with—~~

~~(A) procurement through the Government Publications Office, consistent with this Act; or~~

~~(B) as appropriate, from competitively selected private sector commercial sources;~~

~~(6) recent practices by Federal agencies of privatizing Government publications have resulted in a significant loss of publications that should have been made available to the public through the Federal publications access program;~~

~~(7) technological developments provide opportunities for increasing efficiencies in the production and dissemination of Government publications, but also pose challenges for ensuring broad-based, permanent public access to Government publications in new forms and format;~~

~~(8) the establishment of a mechanism for contemporaneous monitoring and evaluation of such developments is essential in order to maintain a continuous flow of timely, useful, and permanently accessible Government publications to the public; and~~

~~(9) the dissemination and permanent public access of Government publications must be guaranteed through a mechanism with sufficient independence and authority to ensure agency compliance with their obligation to provide material for the Federal publications access program.~~

~~(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are to—~~

~~(1) reform the oversight and management of the production, dissemination, and permanent public access to the Federal Government's publications;~~

~~(2) guarantee permanent public access to publications produced by the Federal Government, regardless of form or format; and~~

~~(3) facilitate the efficient and economical production, dissemination, and permanent public access to Government publications.~~

~~SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.~~

~~In this Act, the term—~~

~~(1) "Government Publication" has the meaning given such term under section 1902(3) of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act;~~

~~(2) "agency" has the meaning given such term under section 1902(1) of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this Act); and~~

~~(3) "House of Representatives" shall include the Resident Commissioner.~~

~~TITLE I—TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING~~

~~SEC. 101. PURPOSE.~~

~~The purpose of this title is to provide for the orderly transfer of functions of the Joint Committee on Printing, as appropriate, to—~~

~~(1) the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate;~~

~~(2) the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives; and~~

~~(3) the Government Publications Office, and as appropriate, to—~~

~~(A) the Administrator;~~

~~(B) the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and~~

~~(C) the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~SEC. 102. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS ESTABLISHING THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.~~

~~Chapter 1 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed, and the table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 1.~~

~~SEC. 103. LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—All legislative oversight functions (including all oversight jurisdiction, duties, authorities, and responsibilities) of the Joint Committee on Printing on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be performed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives on and after such date.~~

~~(b) REGULATION.—Unless otherwise provided by this Act, the Administrator shall cause to remain in effect as appropriate the Government Printing and Binding Regulations No. 26, effective February 1990, as contained in Senate Publication, S.Pub. 101–9, in effect until the Administrator of the Government Publications Office publishes final regulations in accordance with section 301 of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this Act).~~

~~SEC. 104. REPEAL OF WAIVERS.~~

~~All waivers granted and other provisions required of executive and judicial branch agencies and independent establishments by the Joint Committee on Printing under the Government Printing and Binding Regulations before the date of enactment of this Act shall be void 120 days following such date of enactment.~~

~~SEC. 105. REFERENCES.~~

~~Reference in any Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of~~

~~or relating to the Joint Committee on Printing shall be deemed to refer to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, or the Government Publications Office, as appropriate.~~

~~SEC. 106. EFFECTIVE DATE.~~

~~This title shall take effect on January 1, 1999.~~

~~TITLE II—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE~~

~~SEC. 201. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3, title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"CHAPTER 3—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE~~

~~"Sec.~~
~~"301. Administrator, Government Publications Office: appointment, duties, and pay.~~
~~"302. Government Publications Office, Deputy Administrator: appointment, duties, and pay.~~
~~"303. Government Publications Office, employee pay.~~
~~"304. Government Publications Office, night work.~~
~~"305. Disbursing officer, deputy disbursing officer, certifying officers and employees.~~
~~"306. Revolving Fund for operation of Government Publications Office.~~
~~"307. Payments for printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, and publications production services.~~
~~"308. Procurement authority.~~
~~"309. Machinery, material, equipment, or supplies from other Government agencies.~~
~~"310. Inks, glues, and other supplies furnished to other Government agencies: payment.~~
~~"311. Branches of Government Publications Office: limitations.~~
~~"312. Detail of employees of Government Publications Office to other Government establishments.~~
~~"313. Government Publications Office security.~~
~~"314. Transfer of surplus property.~~
~~"315. Sales of reproducibles.~~
~~"316. Use of Federal advisory committees.~~

~~"§ 301. Administrator; Government Publications Office: appointment; duties; and pay~~

~~"(a) The President of the United States shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the Administrator who shall take charge of and manage the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(b) The Administrator may use any measures the Administrator considers necessary to carry out the duties and powers of the office and to remedy neglect, delay, duplication, or waste in the production, procurement, and dissemination of the Federal Government's publications, and to enhance and expand the dissemination of, and maintenance of permanent public access to, the Federal Government's publications.~~

~~"(c)(1) After notice and comment, and in consultation with the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrator may issue regulations consistent with this title to carry out the purposes of this title.~~

~~"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5, United States Code, and the requirements of chapter 7, United States Code.~~

~~"(3) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a "major rule."~~

~~"(d) The annual rate of pay for the Administrator shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.~~

~~"§ 302. Government Publications Office; Deputy Administrator: appointment; duties; and pay~~

~~"(a) The Administrator shall appoint a suitable person to be the Deputy Administrator.~~

~~"(b)(1) The Deputy Administrator shall perform—~~

~~"(A) all duties and responsibilities assigned by the Administrator; and~~

~~"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Administrator in the event of—~~

~~"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Administrator; or~~

~~"(ii) incapacity of the Administrator.~~

~~"(2) In the event of a vacancy or incapacity under paragraph (1)(B), the Deputy Administrator shall serve until a successor Administrator is appointed, but for no longer than 1 year after a vacancy or incapacity occurs.~~

~~"(c) The annual rate of pay for the Deputy Administrator shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.~~

~~"§ 303. Government Publications Office; employee pay~~

~~"(a)(1) The Administrator may employ persons necessary for the work of the Government Publications Office at rates of wages and salaries, including compensation for night and overtime work, the Administrator considers for the interest of the Government and just to the persons employed, except as otherwise provided by this section.~~

~~"(2) The Administrator may not employ more persons than the necessities of public work require.~~

~~"(b) The rate of wages, including compensation for night and overtime work, for more than 10 employees of the same occupation shall be determined by a conference between the Administrator and a committee selected by the trades affected.~~

~~"(c)(1) Wages affecting the employees of the Government Publications Office shall be negotiated between the Administrator and bargaining representatives of the employees of the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(2) If the Administrator and the bargaining representatives of the employees fail to agree to wages, sala-~~

~~ries, and compensation, the dispute shall be referred to an arbitrator chosen from a panel of 3 arbitrators.~~

~~"(3) Subject to paragraph (4), the Administrator and the bargaining representatives of the employees shall enter into an agreement that governs—~~

~~"(A) the selection of arbitrators for the panel, and~~

~~"(B) the procedures applicable to the panel.~~

~~"(4) The costs of the proceedings of the panel, including transcripts, shall be paid as follows:~~

~~"(A) 50 percent of such costs shall be paid by the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(B) 50 percent of such costs shall be paid by the bargaining representatives of the employees.~~

~~"(5) A decision by the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all parties.~~

~~"(d) The wages, salaries, and compensation so determined are not subject to change more than once a year.~~

~~"(e) The Administrator may grant an employee paid on an annual basis compensatory time off from work duty instead of overtime pay for overtime work.~~

~~"§ 304. Government Publications Office; night work~~

~~"The Administrator shall cause the work of the Government Publications Office to be done at night as well~~

as through the day, when the exigencies of the public service require it.

"§ 305. Disbursing officer; deputy disbursing officer; certifying officers and employees

"(a) The Administrator shall appoint from time to time a disbursing officer of the Government Publications Office who shall be under the direction of the Administrator. The disbursing officer shall (1) disburse moneys of the Government Publications Office only upon, and in strict accordance with, vouchers certified by the Administrator or by an officer or employee of the Government Publications Office authorized in writing by the Administrator to certify such vouchers, (2) make such examination of vouchers as may be necessary to ascertain whether they are in proper form, certified, and approved, and (3) be held accountable accordingly. However, the disbursing officer shall not be held accountable or responsible for any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate, the responsibility for which, under subsection (c) of this section, is imposed upon a certifying officer or employee of the Government Publications Office.

"(b)(1) Upon the death, resignation, or separation from office of the disbursing officer, his accounts may be continued, and payments and collection may be made in

his name, by any individual designated as a deputy disbursing officer by the Administrator, for a period of time not to extend beyond the last day of the second month following the month in which the death, resignation, or separation occurred. Accounts and payments shall be allowed, audited, and settled, and checks signed in the name of the former disbursing officer by a deputy disbursing officer shall be honored in the same manner as if the former disbursing officer had continued in office.

"(2) A former disbursing officer of the Government Publications Office or his estate may not be subject to any legal liability or penalty for the official accounts or defaults of the deputy disbursing officer acting in the name or in the place of the former disbursing officer. Each deputy disbursing officer is responsible for accounts entrusted to him under paragraph (1) of this subsection, and the deputy disbursing officer is liable for any default occurring during his service under such paragraph.

"(c)(1) The Administrator may designate in writing officers and employees of the Government Publications Office to certify vouchers for payment from appropriations and funds. Such officers and employees shall (A) be responsible for the existence and correctness of the facts recited in the certificate or other voucher or its supporting papers and for the legality of the proposed payment under

~~the appropriation or fund involved, (B) be responsible and accountable for the correctness of the computations of certified vouchers, and (C) be accountable for, and required to make restitution to, the United States for the amount of any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate made by him, as well as for any payment prohibited by law or which did not represent a legal obligation under the appropriation or fund involved. However, the Comptroller General of the United States, may, at his discretion, relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for any payment otherwise proper whenever he finds that (i) the certification was based on the official records and that such certifying officer or employee did not know, and by reasonable diligence and inquiry could not have ascertained, the actual facts, or (ii) when the obligation was incurred in good faith, the payment was not contrary to any statutory provision specifically prohibiting payments of the character involved, and the United States has received value for such payment. The Comptroller General shall relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for an overpayment for transportation services made to any common carrier covered by section 3726 of title 31, whenever he finds that the overpayment occurred solely because the administrative examination made prior to payment of the~~

~~transportation bill did not include a verification of transportation rates, freight classifications, or land grant deductions.~~

~~"(2) The liability of such certifying officers or employees shall be enforced in the same manner and to the same extent as provided by law with respect to the enforcement of the liability of disbursing and other accountable officers. Such certifying officers and employees shall have the right to apply for and obtain a decision by the Comptroller General on any question of law involved in a payment on any vouchers presented to them for certification.~~

~~"§ 306. Revolving Fund for operation of Government Publications Office~~

~~"(a) The revolving fund established July 1, 1953, hereafter referred to as the 'Revolving Fund', is available without fiscal year limitation for the operation and maintenance of the Government Publications Office, including—~~

~~"(1) rental of buildings; attendance at meetings; maintenance and operation of the emergency room; employee training; uniforms or uniform allowances; and, repairs and minor alterations to buildings;~~

~~"(2) any costs associated with audits performed in accordance with this Act;~~

~~"(3) all expenses incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the production of, or procurement for the production of, Government publications found to be in violation of requirements of chapter 19, as authorized by that chapter; and~~

~~"(4) all receipts received through a transfer by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with chapter 19 and credited to the accounts of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(b) The Revolving Fund shall be reimbursed for the cost of all services and supplies furnished the Government Publications Office and credited with all receipts including sales of printing, print procurement and related publications production services, waste, condemned and surplus property, with payments received for losses or damage to property, and with receipts received through a transfer by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with chapter 19.~~

~~"(c) The Administrator shall segregate the Revolving Fund into separate accounts under the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and all expenses~~

~~and reimbursements of costs of the respective Superintendents shall be accounted for within the Revolving Fund. The Administrator shall ensure that the accounts are kept separate and that, to the greatest extent possible, net receipts of the respective Superintendent's programs shall be used for the benefit and enhancement of those programs, respectively.~~

~~"(d)(1) An adequate system of accounts for the Revolving Fund shall be maintained on the accrual method, and financial reports prepared on the basis of accepted accounting standards. The Administrator shall prepare and submit an annual business-type budget for this fund which shall include the programs and activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. This budget program shall be considered and enacted as prescribed by section 9104 of title 31.~~

~~"(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), for the purposes of section 8147 of title 5, United States Code, the Government Publications Office is not considered an agency which is required by statute to submit an annual budget pursuant to or as provided by chapter 91 of title 31.~~

~~"(e)(1) The Administrator shall prepare annual financial statements meeting the requirements of section~~

~~3515(b) of title 31. The financial statements shall be audited each year in accordance with applicable generally accepted Government auditing standards by an independent external auditor selected by the Administrator, with the concurrence of the Inspector General of the Government Publications Office, or by the Inspector General of the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(2) For purposes of the audits, the Inspector General shall have such access to the records, files, personnel, and facilities of the Government Publications Office as the Inspector General considers appropriate. The Inspector General shall furnish reports of the audits to Congress and the Administrator.~~

~~"(3) The Comptroller General of the United States may audit the financial statements at his or her discretion or at the request of Congress. An audit by the Comptroller General shall be in lieu of the audit required under subsection (d).~~

~~"(4) The costs associated with the performance of an audit conducted in accordance with this section shall be paid from receipts in the Revolving Fund credited to the accounts of the Administrator.~~

~~"§ 307. Payments for printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, and publications production services~~

~~"(a) An agency of the Federal Government ordering printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, or other publications production services from the Government Publications Office shall pay promptly by the most efficient means available, including electronic funds transfer, to the Administrator or the Administrator's designee, upon his written request, either in advance or upon completion of the work, all or part of the estimated or actual cost, as the case may be. Bills rendered by the Administrator, or the Administrator's designee, are not subject to audit or certification in advance of payment. Adjustments on the basis of the actual cost of delivered work paid for in advance shall be made monthly or quarterly and as may be agreed by the Administrator and the agency concerned.~~

~~"(b)(1) The Administrator shall present a bill or advice of payment to an agency for which the Government Publications Office has performed work no later than 90 days after work has been completed.~~

~~"(2) The agency shall pay the Government Publications Office with funds obligated during the fiscal year in which the order was placed.~~

~~"(3) For congressional orders which are in process 90 days before Congress adjourns, the Administrator will~~

~~consult with the appropriate office to determine whether the work will be completed before Congress adjourns. The Administrator will bill for the cost of work completed for all jobs that are still in process on the date that Congress adjourns within 45 days after adjournment. The succeeding Congress must submit requisitions to the Government Publications Office to authorize completion of any job ordered by the prior Congress.~~

~~"§ 308. Procurement authority~~

~~"(a) Purchases may be made by the Administrator without reference to the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 concerning purchases for the Federal Government.~~

~~"(b)(1) Publications production regulations administered by the Government Publications Office shall govern the procurement of publications production services at the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(2) Any agency that intends to procure publications production services through the Government Publications Office or for that agency under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator, shall post a notice of such intent on a centralized notification system maintained by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services that is electronically accessible.~~

~~"(c) The Administrator may prescribe such regulations, policies, and directives, not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, to carry out this section relating to the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(d)(1) The Administrator may delegate and authorize successive redelegation of any procurement authority vested in the Administrator to any official in the Government Publications Office, or any official in any agency seeking authority for the procurement of services unless the Administrator determines the Government Publications Office is not able or suitably equipped to execute or as may be more economically or in the better interest of Government executed elsewhere. Such delegation or redelegation of procurement authority shall be in accordance with this chapter and chapter 19.~~

~~"(2)(A) No delegation, or redelegation, of authority under this section shall be granted by the Administrator until final regulations providing for the requirements of any such delegation, or redelegation, of authority are issued.~~

~~"(B) Regulations under subparagraph (A) shall require that—~~

~~"(i) an agency may not contract for production of services with another agency or a private sector commercial source unless that entity has been cer-~~

~~tified by the Administrator as having met the requirements of this title, including the notice requirement of chapters 5 and 19, and remains certified during the course of the procurement contract;~~

~~"(ii) the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs be a signatory to the procurement contract, or that the Superintendent otherwise certifies that a memorandum of understanding has been agreed to by the procuring agency establishing the requirements to be met for the Federal publications access program; and~~

~~"(iii) the requirements of subsection (b) shall be met.~~

~~"(3) All delegations of authority for the procurement of printing, publications services, and the manufacture of Government publications regardless of form or format shall be done in conformance to this chapter and chapters 5 and 19.~~

~~"(e)(1) Except as provided in subsections (f) and (g) and except in the case of procurement procedures otherwise expressly authorized by statute, the Administrator, in conducting a procurement for property or services—~~

~~"(A) shall obtain full and open competition through the use of competitive procedures in accordance with the requirements of this section; and~~

~~"(B) shall use the competitive procedure or combination of competitive procedures that is best suited under the circumstances of the procurement.~~

~~"(2) In determining the competitive procedures appropriate under the circumstances, the Administrator—~~

~~"(A) shall solicit sealed bids if—~~

~~"(i) time permits the solicitation, submission, and evaluation of sealed bids;~~

~~"(ii) the award will be made on the basis of price and other price-related factors;~~

~~"(iii) it is not necessary to conduct discussions with the responding sources about their bids; and~~

~~"(iv) there is a reasonable expectation of receiving more than 1 sealed bid; and~~

~~"(B) shall request competitive proposals if sealed bids are inappropriate under subparagraph (A).~~

~~"(f) In addition to the authority otherwise provided by law, the Administrator may use procedures other than competitive procedures only if—~~

~~"(1) the property or services needed by the Government are available from only 1 responsible source and no other type of property or services will satisfy the needs of the Government;~~

~~"(2) the Government's need for the property or services is of such an unusual and compelling urgency that the Government would be seriously injured unless the Administrator is permitted to limit the number of sources from which the Government Publications Office solicits bids or proposals;~~

~~"(3) a statute expressly authorizes a specified source; and~~

~~"(4) the Administrator determines that it is necessary in the public interest to use procedures other than competitive procedures in the particular procurement concerned.~~

~~"(g)(1) In order to promote efficiency and economy in contracting and to avoid unnecessary burdens for the Government and contractors, the regulations issued, in accordance with this section, shall provide for special simplified procedures for small purchases of property and services.~~

~~"(2) For the purposes of this section, a small purchase is a purchase or contract for an amount which does not exceed the small purchase threshold.~~

~~"(3) A proposed purchase or contract for an amount greater than the small purchase threshold may not be divided into several purchases or contracts for lesser~~

~~amounts in order to use the small purchase procedures required under paragraph (1).~~

~~"(4) In using small purchase procedures, the Administrator shall promote competition to the maximum extent practicable.~~

~~"(5) In this subsection, the term 'small purchase threshold' has the meaning given such term by regulations issued by the Administrator under subsection (c).~~

~~"§ 309. Machinery, material, equipment, or supplies from other Government agencies~~

~~"Agencies having machinery, material, equipment, or supplies for printing, binding, and blank-book work, including lithography, photolithography, xerography, and other processes of reproduction, no longer required or authorized for service, shall submit a detailed report of such material, equipment, or supplies to the Administrator. The Administrator may requisition such articles as are serviceable in the Government Publications Office, and such articles shall be promptly delivered to the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"§ 310. Inks, glues, and other supplies furnished to other Government agencies: payment~~

~~"Inks, glues, and other supplies manufactured by the Government Publications Office in connection with its work may be furnished to departments and other estab-~~

lishments of the Government upon requisition, and payment made from appropriations available.

"§ 311. Branches of Government Publications Office: limitations

"Money appropriated by any Act may not be used for maintaining more than 1 branch of the Government Publications Office in any 1 building occupied by an executive department of the Government, and a branch of the Government Publications Office may not be established unless specifically authorized by law.

"§ 312. Detail of employees of Government Publications Office to other Government establishments

"An employee of the Government Publications Office may not be detailed to duties not pertaining to the work of the Government Publications Office in an executive department or other Government establishment unless expressly authorized by law.

"§ 313. Government Publications Office security

"(a) The Administrator, or delegate appointed by the Administrator, may designate employees of the Government Publications Office to serve as special policemen to protect persons and property in premises and adjacent areas occupied by or under the control of the Government Publications Office.

~~"(b) Under regulations to be prescribed by the Administrator, employees designated as special policemen are authorized to bear and use arms in the performance of their duties, make arrest for violations of laws of the United States, the several States, and the District of Columbia, and enforce the regulations of the Administrator, including the removal from Government Publications Office premises of individuals who violate such regulations.~~

~~"(c) The jurisdiction of special policemen in premises occupied by or under the control of the Government Publications Office and adjacent areas shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the respective law enforcement agencies where the premises are located.~~

~~"§ 314. Transfer of surplus property~~

~~"Notwithstanding title II of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 481 et seq.), the Administrator may transfer or donate surplus and condemned Government Publications Office machinery, material, equipment, and supplies, and surplus Government publications to—~~

~~"(1) other Federal entities;~~

~~"(2) any organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code; or~~

~~"(3) State or local governments.~~

~~"§ 315. Sales of reproducibles~~

~~"The Administrator shall sell to persons who may apply, publication production reproducibles, regardless of form or format, from which a Government publication is produced at a price not to exceed the cost to the Government, as determined by the Administrator.~~

~~"§ 316. Use of Federal advisory committees~~

~~"(a) The Administrator may establish such advisory committees as the Administrator determines appropriate.~~

~~"(b)(1) All meetings of such advisory committee(s) shall be open to the public, except when the Administrator determines that the meeting or any portion of the meeting shall be closed to the public consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5 and only after a ⅔ vote of the advisory committee(s).~~

~~"(2) All meetings of any advisory committee established by the Administrator shall be preceded by timely public notice in the Federal Register of the time, place, and subject of the meeting.~~

~~"(3) Minutes of each meeting shall be kept and shall contain a record of the people present and a description of the discussion that occurred. The minutes and records of all such meetings and other documents that were made available to or prepared for an advisory committee estab-~~

~~lished by the Administrator shall be made publicly accessible, unless the Administrator determines that a record or any portion of such record, shall not be publicly disclosed, consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5 and only after a ⅔ vote of the advisory committee.''.~~

~~(b)(1) GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE; ABOLISHED.—The Government Printing Office is hereby abolished and the authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective day of title II are hereby transferred to the Government Publications Office.~~

~~(2) The Government Publications Office is hereby established as an independent establishment in the Federal government.~~

~~(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the effective date of this Act, the Administrator shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives on—~~

~~(1) the status of the Government Publications Office established under chapter 3 of title 44, United States Code;~~

~~(2) the expected developments in the Office; and~~

~~(3) specific recommendations for legislative proposals, as appropriate.~~

~~(d) TRANSFER.—All duties, authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Public Printer of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective date of this title shall be performed by the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, on and after such date.~~

~~(e) REFERENCES.—References in any other Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to—~~

~~(1) the Government Printing Office shall be deemed to refer to the Government Publications Office;~~

~~(2) the Public Printer shall be deemed to refer to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services or the Administrator, as appropriate;~~

~~(3) the Office of the Public Printer shall be deemed to refer to the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, or the Office of the Administrator, as appropriate;~~

~~(4) the Superintendent of Production Services shall be deemed a reference to the Superintendent of~~

~~Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and~~

~~(5) the Superintendent of Access Programs shall be deemed a reference to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~(f) TRANSITION.—~~

~~(1) INCUMBENT.—~~

~~(A) IN GENERAL.—The individual serving as the Public Printer on the effective date of this title may serve as Administrator, Government Publications Office, until the President appoints by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a successor Administrator.~~

~~(B) ADMINISTRATOR.—The individual serving as the Administrator pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall perform all duties and responsibilities of the Administrator, until the President appoints a successor Administrator in accordance with section 301 of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act.~~

~~(2) APPOINTMENT.—~~

~~(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this title, the President shall appoint an Administrator of the Government Publications Office in accordance~~

~~with section 301 of title 44, United States Code (as added by this Act).~~

~~(3) ASSETS AND PROPERTY.—Assets and real property under the control of, in use by, or assigned to the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the control of the Administrator on the effective date of this Act for the use of the Administrator and the Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for purposes of implementing this Act.~~

~~(4) PERSONNEL.—Personnel under the supervision of or assigned to the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the supervision or assigned to the Administrator or the acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, pursuant to subsection (g) of Title IV, on the effective date of this Act for purposes of implementing this Act.~~

~~(g) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 3 and inserting the following:~~

~~"3. Government Publications Office~~ ..... **~~301".~~**

~~TITLE III—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION PROCUREMENT SERVICES~~

~~SEC. 301. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 5 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"CHAPTER 5—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES~~

~~"Sec.~~
~~"501. Government Publications produced by or procured through the Government Publications Office.~~
~~"502. Government Publications Office; Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services: appointment; duties; and pay.~~
~~"503. Printing in veterans' hospitals.~~
~~"504. Regulations for procurement of Government publications production services.~~
~~"505. Time for printing documents or reports which include illustrations or maps.~~
~~"506. Orders for printing and publications production services to be acted upon within 1 year.~~
~~"507. Standards for papers used in Government publications.~~
~~"508. Annual plans for Government publications.~~

~~"§ 501. Government Publications produced by or procured through the Government Publications Office~~

~~"(a)(1) The Government Publications Office is authorized to produce or procure the production of Government publications, regardless of form or format, including Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, as requisitioned by Congress, Federal agencies and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and subject to subsection (b), the Government Publications Office shall be the only authorized agency of the Federal Government to provide for Congress, the Executive Office of the President, the judiciary (other than the Supreme Court of the United States) and every Executive department and independent establishment of the Government, publications production and procurement services except—~~

~~"(A) those publications created only for dissemination through an electronic communications system or network, provided that the requirements of chapter 19 are satisfied;~~

~~"(B) individual production orders by the executive branch costing not more than $1,000, if the~~

~~work is not of a continuing or repetitive nature, and as certified by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services if the work is included in a class of work which cannot be provided more economically through the Government Publications Office, if the requirements of chapter 19 are satisfied; and~~

~~"(C) publications production for the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, or the National Security Agency.~~

~~"(b)(1) Under delegation of authority from the Administrator in accordance with section 308, an agency of the executive or judicial branch may procure publications production and procurement services for that agency, if the agency certifies to the Administrator or the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services that the agency is in full compliance with the requirements of this chapter, chapter 19, and the publications production and procurement services regulations administered by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.~~

~~"(2) The Administrator shall promptly notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and the Superintendent of Govern-~~

~~ment Publications Access Programs of any decision to delegate authority under this section.~~

~~"(3) A delegation of authority to an agency under this section shall not be granted unless and until the Department of the Treasury has established a designated budget account for the agency in accordance with section 1906(a).~~

~~"(4) In determining a delegation of authority under this section, the Administrator shall take into account any prior determinations of noncompliance issued against an agency under section 1906.~~

~~"(c) No agency shall procure publications production services for another agency, except for those publications created only for dissemination through an electronic communications system or network, unless expressly authorized by law enacted after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998.~~

~~"(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no agency may participate in a partnership or alliance, public or private, to produce Government publications, or enter into a contract or cooperative agreement or similar contractual arrangement for the production, procurement, or dissemination of a Government publication, regardless of form or format, unless such action complies with chapter~~

~~19 and is approved in advance by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"§ 502. Government Publications Office; Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services: appointment; duties; and pay~~

~~"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services (who may also be referred to as the 'Superintendent of Production Services') shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation, and solely on the basis of professional qualifications to perform the duties and responsibilities of the office.~~

~~"(c) An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term as Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Service.~~

~~"(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, under the direction of the Administrator, shall take all steps considered necessary to carry out the duties and powers of the office and to remedy neglect, delay, duplication, or waste in the provision and procurement of services required to~~

~~produce the Federal Government's publications, regardless of form or format.~~

~~"(2) To the greatest extent feasible, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall operate the production and procurement services program on a self-sustaining basis.~~

~~"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall promptly notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of any contract for the production or procurement of production services of any Government publication so that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may meet the requirements of chapter 19.~~

~~"(e) The Administrator shall transfer to the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, such personnel within the Government Publications Office as the Administrator shall determine are required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services to perform the duties of this chapter.~~

~~"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be paid an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position~~

~~at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5.~~

~~"(g)(1) There shall be a Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, who shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.~~

~~"(2) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall perform—~~

~~"(A) all duties and responsibilities assigned by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and~~

~~"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services in the event of—~~

~~"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; or~~

~~"(ii) incapacity of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.~~

~~"(3) In the event of a vacancy under paragraph (2), the Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall serve until a~~

~~successor Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services is appointed and qualifies, but for no longer than 1 year after a vacancy occurs.~~

~~"(4) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be paid at an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position on the Senior Executive Service under section 5316 of title 5.~~

~~"(h)(1) There shall be established within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office under section 306 an account, or accounts, under the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services to be available without fiscal year limitation for the operation of the Government Publications Office Publications Production and Procurement Services programs, including—~~

~~"(A) rental of buildings;~~

~~"(B) attendance at meetings;~~

~~"(C) employee training;~~

~~"(D) purchase, maintenance, and operation of required equipment, supplies, and contracts; and~~

~~"(E) salaries and expenses of program employees.~~

~~"(2) The Revolving Fund shall be reimbursed and the account, or accounts, of the Superintendent of Production Services shall be credited for the cost of all services and supplies furnished, including those furnished by other appropriations of the Government Publications Office Publications Production and Procurement Services programs, and credited with all receipts, including the provision of production and publication production procurement services, waste, condemned and surplus property, and with payments received for losses or damage to property.~~

~~"(3)(A) An adequate system of accounts for the Revolving Fund shall be maintained on the accrual method, and financial reports prepared on the basis of accepted accounting standards in accordance with section 306. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall prepare and submit to the Administrator an annual business-type budget for the accounts under the Superintendent's authority within the Revolving Fund. The budget program shall be as prescribed by section 9104 of title 31.~~

~~"(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for purposes of section 8147 of title 5, the activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs are not considered activities that are required by statute~~

~~to submit an annual budget pursuant to or as provided by chapter 91 of title 31.~~

~~"§ 503. Printing in veterans' hospitals~~

~~"(a) Notwithstanding section 501, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use the equipment described in subsection (b) for printing and binding that the Secretary finds advisable for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs.~~

~~"(b) The equipment referred to in subsection (a) is the printing and binding equipment that the various hospitals and homes of the Department of Veterans Affairs use for occupational therapy.~~

~~"§ 504. Regulations for procurement of Government publications production services~~

~~"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall promulgate and administer regulations governing the procurement of publications production services through the Government Publications Office in accordance with chapters 3 and 19.~~

~~"(b)(1) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5, United States Code, and the requirements of chapter 7, United States Code.~~

~~"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code,~~

~~and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a 'major rule'.~~

~~"§ 505. Time for printing documents or reports which include illustrations or maps~~

~~"A document or report to be illustrated or accompanied by maps may not be printed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services until the illustrations or maps designed for it are ready for publication.~~

~~"§ 506. Orders for printing and publications production services to be acted upon within 1 year~~

~~"An order for production or procurement of publications services may not be acted upon by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services after the expiration of 1 year unless the entire copy and illustrations for the work have been furnished within that period.~~

~~"§ 507. Standards for papers used in Government publications~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall establish appropriate standards for printing and writing papers to be used in all Government publications and may procure said papers under procedures established pursuant to section~~

~~308. Such standards are to detail the Government's minimum needs for each type and grade of paper in such a way as to allow the use of as many existing commercially available papers as practical, and to provide maximum economy to the public. These standards shall be published periodically and shall be known as the 'Government Paper Specification Standards'.~~

~~"§ 508. Annual plans for Government publications~~

~~"(a) On the date that the head of each agency that intends to produce or procure the production of Government publications submits an appropriation request under section 1108 of title 31 for the preparation of the budget, the head of such agency shall submit a plan on the creation, management, dissemination, security, and accessibility of the Government publications of the agency.~~

~~"(b) A plan submitted under subsection (a) shall enumerate—~~

~~"(1) the number of publications that the agency intends to produce or procure in the fiscal year, and the quantity of each publication;~~

~~"(2) the intention of the agency to—~~

~~"(A) produce the publication itself; or~~

~~"(B) procure the publication's production either—~~

~~"(i) on its own, pursuant to a delegation of authority granted under section 501; or~~

~~"(ii) through the Government Publications Office;~~

~~"(3) the intended means by which each publication will be disseminated and made permanently accessible to the public, including the agency's intentions to comply with chapter 19; and~~

~~"(4) the anticipated cost, including materials and personnel, required for the production, procurement, dissemination, security, and permanent accessibility of each publication.~~

~~"(c) Plans required under this section shall be submitted as follows:~~

~~"(1) Agencies of the executive branch and independent establishments shall submit such plans and reports to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(2) Agencies of the legislative branch shall submit such plans and reports to the Committee on~~

~~Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.~~

~~"(3) Agencies of the judicial branch, except the Supreme Court, shall submit such plans and reports to the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.".~~

~~(b) TRANSITION.—~~

~~(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.—The individual serving as Administrator pursuant to subsection (f) of title II of this Act shall perform all duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Service as provided in chapter 5, title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act, until a Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services is appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate under § 502.~~

~~(2) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this Act, the President shall appoint a Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services in accordance with § 502, title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act.~~

~~(c) REPORT AND 5-YEAR PLAN.—~~

~~(1) PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this title, each agency shall submit a report that contains a plan, to be implemented during the 5-year period following such effective date, that—~~

~~(A) reduces the publications production capacity, if any, of the agency;~~

~~(B) sets dates, during such 5-year period, on which incremental stages of such reduction will be implemented; and~~

~~(C) provides for publications production performed by the agency to be performed by non-Federal entities pursuant to contracts, with appropriate protections to ensure compliance with requirements of chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code, regarding dissemination and permanent accessibility of Government publications.~~

~~(2) COMPLIANCE.—On October 1 of each of the 5 fiscal years following the submission date of reports under paragraph (1), each agency shall submit a report on the compliance of the agency with the plan submitted under paragraph (1).~~

~~(3) SUBMISSION.—Reports under this subsection shall be submitted in accordance with section 508 of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this section).~~

~~(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 5 and inserting the following:~~

~~"5. Government Publications Office; Publications Production and Procurement Services ..... 501".~~

~~SEC. 302. PRODUCTION OF PUBLICATIONS AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES BY CONGRESS AND LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 7 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"CHAPTER 7—PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES BY CONGRESS AND LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES~~

~~"Sec.~~
~~"701. 'Usual number' of bills, resolutions, documents, and reports; distribution of the House of Representatives and the Senate documents and reports; reports on private bills; number of copies printed; distribution.~~
~~"702. Style, form, and manner of publication.~~
~~"703. Printing extra copies.~~
~~"704. Reprinting bills, laws, and reports from committees.~~
~~"705. Duplicate orders to print.~~
~~"706. Bills and resolutions: style and form.~~
~~"707. Bills and resolutions: binding sets for Congress.~~
~~"708. Public and private laws and treaties.~~
~~"709. Copies of Acts furnished to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.~~
~~"710. Printing Acts, joint resolutions, and treaties.~~
~~"711. Journals of the Houses of Congress.~~
~~"712. Printing documents for Congress in 2 or more editions.~~
~~"713. Printing of documents not provided by law.~~
~~"714. Appropriation chargeable for printing of document or report by order of Congress.~~
~~"715. Lapse of authority to print.~~
~~"716. Classification and numbering of publications ordered printed by Congress; designation of publications of departments; printing of committee hearings.~~
~~"717. Senate and House Manuals.~~
~~"718. Congressional Directory.~~
~~"719. Congressional Directory: sale.~~
~~"720. Memorial addresses: preparation; distribution.~~
~~"721. Statement of appropriations: 'usual number'.~~
~~"722. Printing for committees of Congress.~~
~~"723. Committee reports: indexing and binding.~~
~~"724. United States Statutes at Large: distribution.~~
~~"725. United States Statutes at Large: references in margins.~~
~~"726. Distribution of documents to Members of Congress.~~
~~"727. Allotments of public documents printed after expiration of terms of Members of Congress: rights of reelected and retiring Members to documents.~~
~~"728. Documents and reports ordered by Members of Congress: franks and envelopes for Members of Congress.~~
~~"729. Stationery and blank books for Congress.~~
~~"730. Binding for Members of Congress.~~
~~"731. Binding at expense of Members of Congress.~~
~~"732. Binding for Senate library and House of Representatives library.~~
~~"733. Distribution of Senate and House documents to Members.~~
~~"734. Publications stored at Capitol.~~
~~"735. Congressional printing and binding appropriations; authorization.~~

~~"§ 701. 'Usual number' of bills, resolutions, documents, and reports; distribution of the House of Representatives and the Senate documents and reports; reports on private bills; number of copies printed; distribution~~

~~"(a) The order by either House of Congress to print a bill, resolution, document, or report shall signify the 'usual number' of copies for binding and distribution among those entitled to receive them. A greater number may not be printed unless ordered by either House, or as provided by this section. When a special number of a document or report is ordered printed, the usual number shall also be printed, unless already ordered.~~

~~"(b) At the beginning of each Congress, the 'usual number' shall be jointly established by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, but in no case shall the usual number be less than 1 and the 'usual number' shall be sufficient to provide copies for binding and distribution as follows:~~

~~"(1) Of the House of Representatives bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, unbound—~~

~~"(A) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;~~

~~"(B) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;~~

~~"(C) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and~~

~~"(D) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.~~

~~"(2) Of the Senate bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, unbound—~~

~~"(A) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;~~

~~"(B) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;~~

~~"(C) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and~~

~~"(D) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.~~

~~"(c) Of the number printed, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall bind a sufficient number of copies for distributions as follows:~~

~~"(1) Of the House of Representatives bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, bound—~~

~~"(A) to the Senate Library;~~

~~"(B) to the library of the House of Representatives; and~~

~~"(C) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law, except those designated Federal publications access libraries which may prefer to have documents in unbound form, and have so notified the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in writing prior to the convening of each Congress.~~

~~"(2) Of the Senate bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, bound—~~

~~"(A) to the Senate library;~~

~~"(B) to the library of the House of Representatives; and~~

~~"(C) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law, except those designated Federal publications access libraries entitled to documents that may prefer to have documents in unbound form, and have so notified the Superintendent of Government~~

~~Publications Access Programs in writing prior to the convening of each Congress.~~

~~"(d) Of Senate reports on private bills, concurrent or simple resolutions there shall be printed sufficient numbers of copies for distribution—~~

~~"(1) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;~~

~~"(2) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;~~

~~"(3) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and~~

~~"(4) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.~~

~~"(e) Of House of Representatives reports on private bills, concurrent or simple resolutions there shall be printed sufficient numbers of copies for distribution—~~

~~"(1) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;~~

~~"(2) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;~~

~~"(3) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and~~

~~"(4) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.~~

~~"(f) Until the 'usual number' is established for a Congress under this section, the 'usual number' of publications, as established in the immediately preceding Congress, shall remain in effect.~~

~~"(g) This section does not prevent the binding of all Senate and House of Representatives reports in the reserve volumes bound for and delivered to the Senate and House of Representatives libraries, nor abridge the right of the Vice President, Senators, Representatives, Resident Commissioner, Delegates, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House of Representatives to have bound in half morocco, or a durable material not more expensive, 1 copy of every public document to which he may be entitled. Copies of each report on bills for payment or adjudication of claims against the Government shall be kept on file in the Senate document room.~~

~~"(h) Each private bill of the Senate and each private bill of the House of Representatives shall be printed when introduced, when reported, and when passed. Bills and~~

~~resolutions shall be printed in bill form, and, unless specially ordered by either House shall be printed only when referred to a committee, when favorably reported back, and after their passage by either House.~~

~~"(i) Reports of committees shall be produced by requisition on the order of the originating committee, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall provide to the committee a voucher for the cost of the order.~~

~~"§ 702. Style, form, and manner of publication~~

~~"(a)(1) PUBLICATIONS FOR SINGLE HOUSE.—At the beginning of each Congress, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the style, form, and manner of printing for any publication authorized by simple resolution under this title for their respective Houses.~~

~~"(2) JOINT PUBLICATIONS.—At the beginning of each Congress, the style, form, and manner of printing for any publication authorized by joint or concurrent resolution under this title shall be determined jointly by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives.~~

~~"(3) CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.—At the beginning of each Congress, the style, form, and manner of printing for the Congressional Record, all bills and other congressional publications shall be determined by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly.~~

~~"(b) CONTINUATION OF STYLE, FORM, AND MANNER.—Until the style, form, and manner of printing publications is established for a Congress under this section, the style, form, and manner of printing publications as established in the immediate previous Congress shall remain in effect.~~

~~"§ 703. Printing extra copies~~

~~"(a) Orders for printing copies in addition to the 'usual number' otherwise provided for by this section shall be by simple, concurrent, or joint resolution. Either House may print no more than 300 extra copies by simple resolution.~~

~~"(b) If the number exceeds that amount, the printing shall be ordered by concurrent resolution, unless the resolution is self-appropriating, when it shall be by joint resolution.~~

~~"(c) Resolutions, when presented to either House, shall be referred to the Committee on Rules and Adminis-~~

~~tration of the Senate or the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, who, in making their report, shall require of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services the estimate of cost. Extra copies may not be printed before the committee has reported. The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall provide the committees a voucher for the total cost of the order.~~

~~"§ 704. Reprinting bills, laws, and reports from committees~~

~~"When the supply is exhausted, the Secretary of the Senate, under the direction of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, under the direction of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives may order the reprinting of not more than 300 copies of a pending bill, resolution, or public law, or a report from a committee or congressional commission on pending legislation not accompanied by testimony or exhibits or other appendices.~~

~~"§ 705. Duplicate orders to print~~

~~"If the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services receives duplicate Senate and House of Representatives orders for printing,~~

~~the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall consult with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives to determine the appropriate order for printing.~~

~~"§ 706. Bills and resolutions: style and form~~

~~''Subject to sections 205 and 206 of title 1, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives may authorize the printing of a bill or resolution, with index and ancillaries, in the style and form such committees consider most suitable in the interest of economy and efficiency, and to so continue until final enactment in both Houses of Congress. The committees may also curtail the number of copies of bills or resolutions, including the slip form of a public Act or public resolution, consistent with section 701.~~

~~"§ 707. Bills and resolutions: binding sets for Congress~~

~~''Four sets of Senate and House of Representatives bills and joint and concurrent resolutions of each Congress, 2 for the Senate and 2 for the House of Representatives, shall be bound by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and~~

~~kept by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives for reference.~~

~~"§ 708. Public and private laws and treaties~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall print in slip form copies of public and private laws, and treaties, to be paid from funds appropriated for congressional printing and binding. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall control the number and distribution of copies.~~

~~"§ 709. Copies of Acts furnished to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services~~

~~"The Archivist of the United States shall furnish to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services a copy of every Act and joint resolution, as soon as possible after its approval by the President, or after it has become a law under the Constitution without his approval.~~

~~"§ 710. Printing Acts, joint resolutions, and treaties~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services on receiving from the Archivist of the United States a copy of an Act or joint resolution, or from the Secretary of State, a copy~~

~~of a treaty, shall print an accurate copy and transmit it in duplicate to the Archivist of the United States or to the Secretary of State, as the case may be, for revision. On the return of 1 of the revised duplicates, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall make the marked corrections and print the number specified by section 707.~~

~~"§ 711. Journals of the Houses of Congress~~

~~"There shall be printed of the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives such copies as determined by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives at the beginning of each Congress for distribution to—~~

~~"(1) the Senate document room for distribution to Senators;~~

~~"(2) the Senate library;~~

~~"(3) the office of the Secretary of the Senate;~~

~~"(4) the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to Members and for other purposes;~~

~~"(5) the library of the House of Representatives; and~~

~~"(6) fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.~~

~~"§ 712. Printing documents for Congress in 2 or more editions~~

~~"The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall establish rules by which public documents and reports printed for Congress, or either House, may be printed in 2 or more editions, to meet public requirements.~~

~~"§ 713. Printing of documents not provided by law~~

~~"Either House may order the printing of a document not already provided for by law, when accompanied by an estimate from the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services as to the probable cost. An agency of the executive or judicial branch of the Government submitting reports or documents in response to inquiries from Congress shall include an estimate of the probable cost of printing the documents in the usual number.~~

~~"§ 714. Appropriation chargeable for printing of document or report by order of Congress~~

~~"The cost of printing of a document or report printed by order of Congress, which, under section 1107, cannot be properly charged to another appropriation or allotment of appropriation already made, upon order of Congress, shall be charged to the allotment of appropriation for printing and binding for Congress.~~

“§ 715. Lapse of authority to print

“The authority to print a document or report, or a publication authorized by law to be printed, for distribution by Congress, shall lapse within 2 years after the date of the original order, except orders for subsequent editions, approved by Congress.

“§ 716. Classification and numbering of publications ordered printed by Congress; designation of publications of departments; printing of committee hearings

“(a) Publications ordered by Congress, or either House, regardless of form or format, shall be in 4 series that shall include—

“(1) a series of reports made by the committees of the Senate, to be known as Senate reports;

“(2) a series of reports made by the committees of the House of Representatives, to be known as House reports;

“(3) a series of documents other than reports of committees, the orders for printing which originate in the Senate, to be known as Senate documents; and

“(4) a series of documents other than committee reports, the orders for printing which originate in the House of Representatives, to be known as House documents.

~~"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives are jointly responsible for compilation and distribution of the bound United States congressional serial set which shall be numbered consecutively from the first Congress onward and shall include the reports and documents of the Senate and the House of Representatives.~~

~~"(c)(1)(A) The publications in each series shall be consecutively numbered, the numbers in each series continuing in unbroken sequence throughout the entire term of a Congress, but these provisions do not apply to the documents published for the use of the Senate in executive session.~~

~~"(B) Such serial sets shall be made available as provided under chapter 19 for distribution and permanent public access by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(C) The copies of annual or serial publications originating in or prepared by an executive department, bureau, office, commission, or board which are intended for distribution to designated Federal publications access libraries may not be numbered in the document or report series of either House of Congress, but shall be designated by title, bound, and made available as provided under chapter~~

~~19, and the departmental edition, if any, shall be printed concurrently.~~

~~"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall supply the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with sufficient copies of publications distributed in unbound form, to be bound and distributed to the designated Federal publications access libraries for their permanent files. Every publication of sufficient size on any 1 subject shall be bound separately and receive the title suggested by the subject of the volume, and the others shall be distributed in unbound form as soon as printed. The library edition, as well as all other bound sets of congressional numbered documents and reports, shall be arranged in volumes and bound in the manner directed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly.~~

~~"(c) Hearings of committees may be printed as congressional documents only when specifically ordered by Congress or by either House.~~

~~"§ 717. Senate and House Manuals~~

~~"Each House may order printed as many copies as that House desires, of the Senate Manual and of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives.~~

“§ 718. Congressional Directory

“(a) There shall be prepared under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a Congressional Directory, which shall be printed and distributed as early as practicable during the first session of each Congress.

“(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall control content, the number and distribution of the Congressional Directory, and shall determine the manner in which 1 copy of the Congressional Directory shall be bound for distribution to each Member of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

“(c) The directory also shall be maintained in electronic format and accessible to the public through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on-line service. The directory shall be updated at least quarterly, and the date of revision shall be noted.

“§ 719. Congressional Directory: sale

“The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may offer copies of the current Congressional Directory for sale at a price sufficient to reimburse the costs of printing consistent with section 1708. Revenue derived from the sales shall be deposited to the account

~~of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office to offset the cost of the Publications sales program.~~

~~"§ 720. Memorial addresses: preparation; distribution~~

~~"(a) After the final adjournment of Congress, there shall be compiled and bound in cloth in 1 volume the exercises at the general memorial services held in either House during each session relative to the death of a Member of Congress or Senator, a former Member of Congress who served as Speaker, together with all relevant memorial addresses and eulogies published in the Congressional Record during the same session of Congress, and any other matter the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate considers relevant to a Senator or any other matter the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives considers relevant to a Member of Congress or former Member of Congress who served as Speaker; and there shall be printed—~~

~~"(1) 50 copies delivered to the family of the deceased; and~~

~~"(2) 100 copies for the successor in office of a deceased Senator, Representative, Resident Commissioner or Delegate.~~

“§ 721. Statement of appropriations: ‘usual number’

“Of the statements of appropriations required to be prepared under the Act of October 19, 1888 (2 U.S.C. 105), there shall be printed, after the close of each regular session of Congress, the usual number, as provided by section 701.

“§ 722. Printing for committees of Congress

“A committee of Congress may not procure the printing of more than 300 copies of a hearing, or other document germane thereto, for its use except by simple, concurrent, or joint resolution, as provided by section 702.

“§ 723. Committee reports: indexing and binding

“The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall procure and file for the use of their respective Houses copies of all reports made by committees, and at the close of each session of Congress shall have the reports indexed and bound, 1 copy to be deposited in the library of each House and 1 copy in the committee from which the report emanates.

“§ 724. United States Statutes at Large: distribution

“(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, after the final adjournment of each regular session of Congress, shall print and bind copies of the United States Statutes at Large, to be charged to the congressional allotment for printing and binding. The Committee on Rules and Administration

of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall control the number and distribution of the copies. Senators and Representatives who request in writing in advance of its publication shall receive copies of such document.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall print and, after the end of each calendar year, bind and deliver to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs a number of copies of the United States Treaties and Other International Agreements not exceeding the number of copies of the United States Statutes at Large required for distribution in the manner provided by chapter 19 of this title.

"§ 725. United States Statutes at Large: references in margins

"The Archivist of the United States shall include in the references in margins of the United States Statutes at Large the number of the bill or joint resolution (designating S. for Senate bill, H.R. for House bill, S.J. Res. for Senate joint resolution and H.J. Res. for House joint resolution, as the case may be) under which each Act was approved and became a law, the reference in the margins to be placed within brackets immediately under the date of the approval of the Act at the beginning of each Act

as printed beginning with volume 32 of the United States Statutes at Large.

"§ 726. Distribution of documents to Members of Congress

"Unless provided elsewhere in law, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the quantity and distribution of documents to the Members, committees, and offices of their respective Houses.

"§ 727. Allotments of public documents printed after expiration of terms of Members of Congress: rights of reelected and retiring Members to documents

"(a) The congressional allotment of Government publications, other than the Congressional Record, printed after the expiration of the term of office of the Vice President of the United States, or Senator, Representative, or Resident Commissioner, shall be delivered to his successor in office, unless such individual takes the documents prior to the 30th day of June next following the date of expiration.

"(b) Reelected and retiring Members may distribute public documents to their credit, or the credit of their re-

~~spective districts during their successive terms, until their rights to frank documents ends.~~

~~"(c) Unless provided elsewhere in law, the disposition of Government publications allotted and distributed to Members during their terms of office shall be governed by rules established by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives for their respective Houses.~~

~~"§ 728. Documents and reports ordered by Members of Congress: franks and envelopes for Members of Congress~~

~~"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, on order of a Member of Congress and prepayment of the cost, may reprint documents and reports of committees together with the evidence papers submitted, or any part ordered printed by Congress.~~

~~"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall establish for their respective Houses rules governing the style, content, quantity, printing, distribution, and method of payment to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for franks printed on sheets and~~

~~perforated, or singly, and envelopes used for mailing public documents. Franks may also contain information relating to missing children as provided in section 3220 of title 39.~~

~~"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall deposit moneys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.~~

~~"§ 729. Stationery and blank books for Congress~~

~~"(a) Upon requisition of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, respectively, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall furnish stationery, blank books, tables, forms, and other necessary papers preparatory to congressional legislation, required for the official use of the Senate and the House of Representatives, or their committees and officers.~~

~~"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall establish for their respective Houses rules governing the method of payment to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for such papers.~~

~~"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall deposit mon-~~

~~eys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.~~

~~"(d) This section does not prevent the purchase by the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of stationery and blank books necessary for sale to Senators and Members in the stationery rooms of the 2 Houses as provided by law.~~

~~"§ 730. Binding for Members of Congress~~

~~"The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall establish rules regarding the binding needs of their respective Members.~~

~~"§ 731. Binding at expense of Members of Congress~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services may bind at the Government Publications Office books, maps, charts, or documents published by authority of Congress upon application of a Member of Congress, and payment of the actual cost of binding. The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall deposit moneys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.~~

“§ 732. Binding for Senate library and House of Representatives library

“The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives may make requisition upon the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for the binding of books for the library of their respective Houses, subject to the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively.

“§ 733. Distribution of Senate and House documents to Members

“The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, shall determine appropriate mechanisms for the distribution of congressional documents to the Members of each House.

“§ 734. Publications stored at Capitol

“(a) The Secretary and Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Clerk and Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, at the convening in regular session of each successive Congress, shall cause an inventory to be made of Government publications stored in and about the Capitol, other than those in the allotment of Members of Congress, in the Library of Congress and the Senate and House libraries and document rooms.

~~"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the disposition of this inventory, save 4 copies of leather-bound publications which shall be reserved and carefully stored, to be used in supplying deficiencies in the Senate and House libraries caused by wear or loss.~~

~~"§ 735. Congressional printing and binding appropriation; authorization~~

~~"Such sums are authorized to be appropriated as may be necessary.".~~

~~(b) FEASIBILITY REPORT.—~~

~~(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the effective date of this Act, the General Accounting Office on behalf of the Administrator of the Government Publications Office shall submit to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility of legislative branch agencies procuring printing and publications services directly from nongovernmental sources under a delegation of authority from the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, if such agencies certify to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the Su-~~

~~perintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services full compliance with the requirements of chapters 5 and 19 of title 44, United States Code.~~

~~(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under this section shall include—~~

~~(A) an analysis of the impact of allowing legislative branch agencies to procure directly from nongovernmental sources, on the procedures and precedents of each House of Congress and on the integrity of congressional publications;~~

~~(B) a study of the impact on the ability of the Government Publications Office to continue to function as a central procurement agency for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches (exclusive of the Supreme Court) of Government; and~~

~~(C) recommendations for the assurance of information security, convenience, quality, economy, and efficiency in the procurement of printing services for all legislative branch agencies.~~

~~(c) SERIAL SET FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 24 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access~~

~~Programs, in consultation with the Federal Publications Access Library Council, shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a report with recommendations on the feasibility of producing, disseminating, and maintaining permanent public access to the serial sets described under section 715 as publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.~~

~~(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 7 and inserting the following:~~

~~"7. Production of Publications and Procurement of Publications Services by Congress and Legislative Agencies~~ ..... ~~701".~~

~~SEC. 303. CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.~~

~~Chapter 9 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"CHAPTER 9—CONGRESSIONAL RECORD~~

~~"Sec.~~
~~"901. Congressional Record: arrangement, style, contents, and indexes.~~
~~"902. Congressional Record: indexes.~~
~~"903. Congressional Record: daily and permanent forms.~~
~~"904. Congressional Record: maps; diagrams; illustrations.~~
~~"905. Congressional Record: additional insertions.~~
~~"906. Congressional Record: gratuitous copies; delivery.~~
~~"907. Congressional Record: extracts for Members of Congress; mailing envelopes.~~
~~"908. Congressional Record: payment for printing extracts or other documents.~~
~~"909. Congressional Record: subscriptions; sale of current, individual numbers, and bound sets; postage rate.~~

~~"§ 901. Congressional Record: arrangement, style, contents, and indexes~~

~~"(a) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall control the arrangement and style of the Congressional Record, and while providing that it shall be substantially a verbatim report of proceedings, shall take all needed action for the reduction of its size.~~

~~"(b) An index of the Congressional Record shall be published semimonthly during and at the close of sessions of Congress.~~

~~"§ 902. Congressional Record: indexes~~

~~"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall prepare the semimonthly and the session index to the Congressional Record. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall direct the form and manner of its publication and distribution.~~

~~"(b) Those persons employed in the Congressional Record Index Office on the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall be employees of the Government Publications Office subject to the provisions of this title governing selection, appointments, em-~~

ployment in the Government Publications Office, and any regulations thereunder.

"§ 903. Congressional Record: daily and permanent forms

"The public proceedings of each House of Congress as reported by the Official Reporters, shall be published in the Congressional Record, which shall be issued daily during each session and shall be revised, printed, and bound in permanent form subject to section 714 of this title. The daily and the permanent Record shall bear the same date, which shall be that of the actual day's proceedings reported. The 'usual number' of the Congressional Record may not be printed.

"§ 904. Congressional Record: maps; diagrams; illustrations

"Maps, diagrams, or illustrations may not be inserted in the Congressional Record without the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, for their respective Houses.

"§ 905. Congressional Record: additional insertions

"The Secretary of the Senate, acting under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, acting under the direction of the Committee on House

~~Oversight of the House of Representatives, shall cause to be published in the daily Record the legislative program for the day together with a list of congressional committee meetings and hearings and the place of meeting and subject matter. Such committees shall cause a brief resume of congressional activities for the previous day to be incorporated in the Record, together with an index of its contents prepared under the supervision of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, respectively.~~

~~"§ 906. Congressional Record: gratuitous copies; delivery~~

~~"(a) At the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, jointly, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall furnish the Congressional Record as follows:~~

~~"(1) Of the bound edition—~~

~~"(A) not more than 1 copy to the Vice President;~~

~~"(B) not more than 1 copy to those Senators and Members of Congress who so request in writing prior to its publication;~~

~~"(C) not more than 1 copy each to the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, if so requested in writing prior to its publication;~~

~~"(D) not more than 1 copy each to the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the House Sergeant at Arms;~~

~~"(E) not more than 2 copies each to the libraries of the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively;~~

~~"(F) a number, to be determined and held by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, for the use by each House, respectively;~~

~~"(G) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law; and~~

~~"(H) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine.~~

~~"(2) Of the daily edition—~~

~~"(A) in such numbers as shall be determined at the beginning of each Congress by the~~

~~Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly—~~

~~"(i) to the Vice President;~~

~~"(ii) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;~~

~~"(iii) to the offices of the Secretary of the Senate and Senate Sergeant at Arms;~~

~~"(iv) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes and to the House Sergeant at Arms; and~~

~~"(v) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law;~~

~~"(B) to the Vice President and each Senator and Representative in Congress (non-transferable) 2 copies of which 1 shall be delivered at his office, and 1 at the Capitol; and~~

~~"(C) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine.~~

~~"(b) In addition to the foregoing, the Congressional Record and the semimonthly index shall also be furnished in such numbers as shall be determined at the beginning of each Congress by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, but in no case shall the usual number be less than 1 and the usual number shall be sufficient to provide copies for distribution to—~~

~~"(1) the President;~~

~~"(2) Committees and Commissions of Congress;~~

~~"(3) the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court;~~

~~"(4) the Marshall and Clerk of the Supreme Court;~~

~~"(5) the United States circuit and district courts and their respective libraries;~~

~~"(6) the Tax Court of the United States and its library;~~

~~"(7) the Court of Veterans Appeals and its library;~~

~~"(8) the Office of the Congressional Record Index;~~

~~"(9) the Chaplain of the Senate;~~

~~"(10) the Postmaster of the Senate;~~

~~"(11) the Secretaries to the Majority and Minority of the Senate;~~

~~"(12) the Office of the Parliamentarian of the Senate;~~

~~"(13) the Office of the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(14) the offices of the Official Reporters of Debate of the Senate;~~

~~"(15) the offices of the Official Reporters of Debate of the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(16) the office of the stenographers to committees of the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(17) the offices of the superintendents of the Senate and the House of Representatives Press Galleries;~~

~~"(18) the offices of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate and the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(19) the Architect of the Capitol;~~

~~"(20) the libraries of the Senate and the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(21) the library of the Supreme Court;~~

~~"(22) the library of the United States Court of Federal Claims;~~

~~"(23) the library of the United States Court of International Trade;~~

~~"(24) the Superintendent of Government Publications and Procurement Services, for official use;~~

~~"(25) the Botanic Garden;~~

~~"(26) the Archivist of the United States;~~

~~"(27) the library of each Executive department and independent establishment of the Government of the District of Columbia (except those designated as Federal publications access libraries) and the libraries of the municipal government of the District of Columbia;~~

~~"(28) the Smithsonian Institution;~~

~~"(29) the Naval Observatory;~~

~~"(30) the Governors of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands;~~

~~"(31) former Presidents and former Vice Presidents of the United States;~~

~~"(32) to each former Senator and Representative and Resident Commissioners, upon written request;~~

~~"(33) to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(34) the Governors of each State;~~

~~"(35) each of the separate establishments of the Armed Services Retirement Homes, the National~~

~~Homes for Disabled Veterans, and the State Soldiers Homes;~~

~~"(36) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine;~~

~~"(37) the Department of State for United States Embassies and Consular offices;~~

~~"(38) foreign legations in Washington, District of Columbia, whose government extends a like courtesy to embassies and legations of the United States abroad;~~

~~"(39) each accredited newspaper correspondent whose name appears in the Congressional Directory;~~

~~"(40) the Court of Military Appeals and its library;~~

~~"(41) the United States Court of Federal Claims and its library; and~~

~~"(42) the United States Customs Court and its library.~~

~~"(c) Copies of the daily edition, unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, jointly, shall be supplied and delivered promptly on the day after the actual day's pro-~~

~~ceedings as originally published. Each order for the daily Record shall begin with the current issue, if previous issues of the same session are not available. The apportionment specified by the committees jointly for daily copies may not be transferred for the bound form and an allotment of daily copies not used by a Member during a session shall lapse when the session ends.~~

~~"§ 907. Congressional Record: extracts for Members of Congress; mailing envelopes~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services may print and deliver, upon the order of a Member of Congress and payment of the cost, extracts from the Congressional Record. Provision of envelopes for the mailing of such extracts shall be governed by sections 727 and 728.~~

~~"§ 908. Congressional Record: payment for printing extracts or other documents~~

~~"If a Member or Resident Commissioner fails to pay the cost of printing extracts from the Congressional Record or other Government publications ordered by him to be printed, the Administrator shall certify the amount due to the Financial Clerk of the Senate or the Chief Accounting Officer of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, who shall deduct from the Member's office account the delinquent amount, and pay the amount so~~

obtained to the Administrator, to be applied by the Administrator to the satisfaction of the indebtedness.

"§ 909. Congressional Record: subscriptions; sale of current, individual numbers, and bound sets; postage rate

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may sell—

"(1) subscriptions to the Congressional Record; and

"(2) current, individual numbers, and bound sets.

"(b) The price of the subscription shall be determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and shall be sufficient to cover the cost of publishing and distributing the Congressional Record in accordance with section 1708. Such price shall be paid in advance and the receipts from any such sale shall be deposited into the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.

"(c) The Congressional Record shall be entitled to be mailed at the same rates of postage at which any newspaper or other periodical publication, with a legitimate list of paid subscribers, is entitled to be mailed.".

~~SEC. 304. PRODUCTION OF PUBLICATIONS AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES; LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT.~~

~~(a) APPROVAL OF PRINTING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS.—Section 1108 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking "; subject to regulations by the Joint Committee on Printing,".~~

~~(b) ORDERING OF DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTIVE AGENCY USE.—Section 1110 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the last sentence and inserting the following: "Publications ordered under this section shall be paid in advance and the receipts from any such sale shall be deposited into the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.~~

~~(c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—~~

~~(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1112 of title 44, United States Code is repealed.~~

~~(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 11 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 1112.~~

~~(d) ANNUAL REPORTS: NUMBER OF COPIES FOR CONGRESS.—Section 1114 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"§ 1114. Annual reports: number of copies for Congress~~

~~"At the beginning of each Congress, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, shall establish the number of annual reports of the departments to Congress to be printed for the use of each House.".~~

~~(e) PAPER AND ENVELOPES.—Section 1121 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—~~

~~(1) by striking ", under direction of the Joint Committee on Printing,";~~

~~(2) by striking "sections 509–516 of this title" and inserting "section 507"; and~~

~~(3) by striking "the District of Columbia" and inserting "the national capital region".~~

~~(f) REFERENCES TO SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.—Chapter 11 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—~~

~~(1) by striking "Public Printer" each place it appears and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services"; and~~

~~(2) in section 1108, by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of~~

~~Government Publications Production and Procurement Services''.~~

~~SEC. 305. PARTICULAR GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 13 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed.~~

~~(b) TABLE OF CHAPTERS.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 13.~~

~~(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall become effective 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.~~

~~SEC. 306. COSTS OF PRODUCING REGULATORY PUBLICATIONS.~~

~~Section 1509 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:~~

~~''§ 1509. Cost of publication, etc.~~

~~''(a) The cost of printing, reprinting, wrapping, binding, and distributing the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations, and, except as provided in subsection (b), other expenses incurred by the Government Publications Office in carrying out the duties placed upon it by this chapter shall be charged to the Revolving Fund provided in section 306, Reimbursements for such costs and expenses shall be made by the Federal agencies and credited, together with all receipts, as provided in section 306.~~

~~"(b) The cost of producing, reproducing, and distributing all other publications of the Federal Register program, and other expenses incurred in connection with such publications, shall be paid by the Archivist of the United States from appropriations authorized by Congress for purposes of this section.".~~

~~SEC. 307. PUBLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 411 of title 28, United States Code is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"§ 411. Supreme Court reports; printing, binding, and distribution~~

~~"(a) The decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States shall be published and distributed in a manner and format determined by the Supreme Court as soon as practicable after rendition, and charged to the proper appropriation for the judiciary.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall procure such copies of the publications of the Supreme Court in accordance with chapters 17 and 19 of title 44 and the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998.".~~

~~(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—~~

~~(1) Section 412 of title 28, United States Code, is amended—~~

~~(A) by striking "Public Printer" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services"; and~~

~~(B) by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".~~

~~(2) Section 676(b) of title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking "Public Printer and the Superintendent of Public Documents" and inserting "Administrator of the Government Publications Office and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".~~

~~SEC. 308. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS EXEMPTING STATUTORY PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.~~

~~(a) IN GENERAL.—~~

~~(1) Section 3(a)(6) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended to read as follows:~~

~~"(6) Payment of expenses for necessary printing and binding.".~~

~~(2) Section 4 of the Act of August 31, 1922 (7 U.S.C. 285) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code,".~~

~~(3) Section 101(f) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 431) is amended by striking "without regard to existing laws applicable to public printing".~~

~~(4) Section 3(h) of the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1642(h)) is amended by striking "for printing and binding," and inserting "for printing and binding, subject to the provisions of title 44, United States Code,".~~

~~(5) Section 2(a)(1) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 (12 U.S.C. 635(a)(1)) is amended by striking "without regard to the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, whenever the Bank determines that publication in accordance with the provisions of such section would not be practicable".~~

~~(6) Section 1 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1702) is amended in the second sentence by striking ", printing, and binding".~~

~~(7) The Act entitled "An Act to extend the time for purchase and distribution of surplus agricultural commodities for relief purposes and to continue the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation", approved June 28, 1937 (15 U.S.C. 713c) is amended in the first proviso by striking ", including rent,~~

~~printing and binding,'' and inserting ''(except printing and binding) including rent''.~~

~~(8) Section 201(e)(1) of the Export Administration Amendments Act of 1985 (15 U.S.C. 4051(e)(1)) is amended by striking ''Notwithstanding the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, and consistent'' and inserting ''Consistent''.~~

~~(9) Section 12 of the Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 (16 U.S.C. 961) is amended by striking clause (c) and redesignating clauses (d) and (e) as clauses (c) and (d), respectively.~~

~~(10) Section 2(b)(2) of the Act entitled ''An Act to authorize the construction of a National Fisheries Center and Aquarium in the District of Columbia and to provide for its operation'', approved October 9, 1992 (16 U.S.C. 1052(b)(2)) is amended by striking ''all or any of which may be reproduced by any printing or other process without regard to existing regulations,''.~~

~~(11) Section 5(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 954(c)) is amended by striking the first sentence following clause (10).~~

~~(12) Section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 956(c)) is amended by striking the first sentence following clause (10).~~

~~(13) Section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with the Government of Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-in-mouth disease and rinderpest", approved February 28, 1947 (21 U.S.C. 114c) is amended by striking "without regard to section 87 of the Act of January 12, 1895, or section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (U.S.C. title 44, sec. 111).".~~

~~(14) Section 2(b)(1) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for acceptance by the United States of America of the Constitution of the International Labor Organization Instrument of Amendment, and further authorizing an appropriation for payment of the United States share of the expenses of membership and for expenses of participation by the United States", approved June 30, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 272a(b)(1)) is amended by striking "printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended".~~

~~(15) Section 2(b) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for membership and participation in the Caribbean Commission and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved March 4, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 280i(d)) is amended by striking "printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;".~~

~~(16) Section 2(b) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for participation by the Government of the United States in the Pan American Railway Congress, and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved June 28, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 280k(b)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code, and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5);".~~

~~(17) Section 8 of the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 (22 U.S.C. 287e) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1949 (44 U.S.C. 111);".~~

~~(18) Section 6(k) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for membership and participation by the United States in the United Na-~~

~~tions Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, and authorizing an appropriation therefor'', approved July 30, 1946 (22 U.S.C. 287r(k)) is amended by striking ''without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (U.S.C., title 44, sec. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (U.S.C. title 41, sec. 5);''.~~

~~(19) Section 3(b)(1) of the joint resolution entitled ''Joint Resolution providing for membership and participation by the United States in the World Health Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor'', approved June 14, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 290b(b)(1)) is amended by striking ''without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;''.~~

~~(20) Section 401(w) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1969 (22 U.S.C. 290f(w)) is amended by striking ''without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code''.~~

~~(21) Section 801(4) of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 (22 U.S.C. 1471(4)) is amended by striking '', without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code''.~~

~~(22) Section 5 of the International Atomic Energy Agency Participation Act of 1957 (22 U.S.C. 2024) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111);".~~

~~(23) Section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2396(b)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law".~~

~~(24) Section 15(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2514(a)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law".~~

~~(25) Section 48 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2588) is amended by striking "without regard to the provisions of section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111);".~~

~~(26) Section 5(a)(1) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962 (22 U.S.C. 2605(a)(1)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law,".~~

~~(27) Section 2(a) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2669(a)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111)".~~

~~(28) Section 23 of the Act of June 25, 1910 (25 U.S.C. 47; 33 Stat. 861) is amended by striking "(including, but not limited to printing, notwithstanding any other law)" and inserting "(including printing)".~~

~~(29) Section 204(d)(3) of the Marine Resources and Engineering Development Act of 1966 (33 U.S.C. 1123(d)(3)) is amended by striking ", without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".~~

~~(30) Section 405(c)(4) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 284(c)(4)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".~~

~~(31) Section 11(g) of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950 (42 U.S.C. 1870(g)) is amended by striking ", without regard to the provisions of section 87 of the Act of January 12, 1895 (28 Stat. 622), and section 11 for the Act of March 1, 1919 (40 Stat. 1270; 44 U.S.C., sec. 111)".~~

~~(32) Section 9(k) of the Lower Mississippi Delta Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3121 note; Public Law 100–460; 102 Stat. 2246) is amended by striking ", notwithstanding any other provision of law".~~

(33) Section 11(c) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. 361(c)) is amended by striking "printing and binding;".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 309. ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO CONGRESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS.

(a) PRINTING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 107 of title 1, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 107. Printing of enrolled bills and resolutions

"Enrolled bills and resolutions of either House of Congress shall be printed in accordance with rules established by the respective Houses of Congress.".

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 107 and inserting the following:

"107. Printing of enrolled bills and resolutions.".

(b) CODE OF LAWS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Sections 211, 212, and 213 of title 1, United States Code, are repealed.

~~(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by striking the items relating to sections 211, 212, and 213.~~

~~(c) PRECEDENTS.—The joint resolution entitled "A joint resolution to provide for the printing and distribution of the Precedents of the House of Representatives compiled and prepared by Lewis Deschler", approved October 18, 1976 (2 U.S.C. 28b, 28c, 28d, and 28e) is repealed.~~

~~(d) CONSTITUTION ANNOTATED.—The first section of the joint resolution of December 24, 1970 (2 U.S.C. 168; Public Law 91–589; 84 Stat. 1586) is amended to read as follows: "That (a) The Director of the Congressional Research Service shall have prepared—~~

~~"(1) every 10 years, a hardbound revised edition of the Constitution of the United States of America—Analysis and Interpretation (hereafter referred to as the 'Constitution Annotated');~~

~~"(2) every 2 years in the interim period between decennial editions, cumulative supplements to the most recent hardbound decennial revised edition of the Constitution Annotated, which shall contain cumulative analysis of decisions rendered by the Supreme Court after the period covered by the last hardbound decennial revised edition; and~~

~~"(3) an electronic version of the Constitution Annotated, to be updated regularly.~~

~~"(b) The edition of the Constitution Annotated first prepared after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall contain analysis and interpretation of decisions rendered by the Supreme Court of the United States through the end of its October 2001 term, construing provisions of the Constitution. Subsequent decennial revised editions will revise and update analysis to cover constitutional law developments during the then-most-recent 10 terms of the Supreme Court.".~~

~~(c) OFFICIAL TERRITORIAL PAPERS.—~~

~~(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 145 of title 4, United States Code, is repealed.~~

~~(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—~~

~~(A) REDESIGNATION.—Section 146 of title 4, United States Code, is amended in the section heading by striking "§ **146.**" and inserting "§ **145.**".~~

~~(B) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections for chapter 5 of title 4, United States Code, is amended by striking the items relating to sections 145 and 146 and inserting the following:~~

~~"145. Authorization of appropriations.".~~

TITLE IV—OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS

SEC. 401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Federal Publications Dissemination Act of 1998''.

SEC. 402. FEDERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''CHAPTER 19—FEDERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS

''Sec.
''1901. Purpose.
''1902. Definition.
''1903. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.
''1904. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications; Superintendent responsibilities and authorities.
''1905. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: agency responsibilities and authorities.
''1906. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: executive branch.
''1906a. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: legislative branch.
''1906b. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: judicial branch.
''1907. Permanent Public Access to Government publications.
''1908. Designation of Federal publications access libraries.
''1909. Regional Federal publications access libraries.
''1910. Federal publications access libraries: responsibilities.
''1911. Federal publications access libraries council.

''§ 1901. Purpose

''The purposes of this chapter are to—

~~"(1) broaden, strengthen, and enhance public access to all Government publications regardless of form or format through Federal Publications Access Programs; and~~

~~"(2) provide permanent public access to and ensure the authenticity of Government publications regardless of form or format.~~

~~"§ 1902. Definition~~

~~"In this title—~~

~~"(1) the term 'agency' means—~~

~~"(A) an executive department, government corporation, government-controlled corporation, or other establishment in the executive branch of the Government, including—~~

~~"(i) the Executive Office of the President; and~~

~~"(ii) any independent regulatory agency; and~~

~~"(B) an establishment or component of the legislative branch as determined by the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, or judicial branch of the Government;~~

~~"(2) the term 'Federal publications access library' means a library designated under section~~

1908 to participate in the Federal Publications Access Programs; and

"(3) the term 'Government publication'—

"(A) means any information product or other discrete set of Government information, regardless of form or format, that—

"(i) is created or compiled—

"(I) by the Government;

"(II) at Government expense in whole or in part; or

"(III) as required by law; and

"(ii) an agency discloses, disseminates, or makes available to the public; and

"(B) shall not include information that—

"(i) is required for official use only or is for strictly internal administrative or operational purposes having no public interest or educational value; or

"(ii) is classified for reasons of national security.

"§ 1903. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs

"(a)(1) The President shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access

~~Programs (who may also be referred to as the 'Superintendent of Access Programs').~~

~~"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation, and solely on the basis of professional qualifications to perform the duties and responsibilities of the office.~~

~~"(3) An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term as Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall serve under the direction of the Administrator and shall take charge of and manage the Federal Publications Access Programs including but not limited to the Federal publications access library program as provided in chapter 19, the Federal publications sales program as provided in chapter 17, and GPO ACCESS, as provided in chapter 41.~~

~~"(c)(1) In consultation with the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may issue reg-~~

~~ulations, consistent with this title, that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs considers necessary to carry out the duties and powers of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to enhance the dissemination of Government publications, and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications.~~

~~"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5, United States Code, and the requirements of chapter 7, United States Code.~~

~~"(3) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a 'major rule'.~~

~~"(d) The annual rate of pay for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.~~

~~"(e)(1) There shall be a Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, who shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(2) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall perform—~~

~~"(A) all the duties and responsibilities assigned by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and~~

~~"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in the event of—~~

~~"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; or~~

~~"(ii) incapacity of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(3) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be paid at an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position on the Senior Executive Service Schedule under section 5316 of title 5.~~

~~"(f)(1) There shall be established within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office under section 306, an account, or accounts, under the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to be available without fiscal year limitation for the operation of the Federal Publications Access Programs, including—~~

~~"(A) rental of buildings;~~

~~"(B) attendance at meetings;~~

1 ~~"(C) employee training;~~

2 ~~"(D) purchase, maintenance, and operation of~~

3 ~~required equipment, supplies, and contracts; and~~

4 ~~"(E) salaries and expenses of program employ-~~

5 ~~ees.~~

6 ~~"(2) The fund shall be reimbursed and the account,~~

7 ~~or accounts, of the Superintendent of Government Publi-~~

8 ~~cations Access Programs shall be credited—~~

9 ~~"(A) for the cost of all services and supplies~~

10 ~~furnished, including those furnished by other appro-~~

11 ~~priations of the Federal Publications Access Pro-~~

12 ~~grams; and~~

13 ~~"(B) with all receipts including sales of Govern-~~

14 ~~ment publications, waste, condemned and surplus~~

15 ~~property, with payments received for losses or dam-~~

16 ~~age to property, and with funds retrieved from agen-~~

17 ~~cies for the procurement of or access to publications~~

18 ~~not compliant with this title.~~

19 ~~"(3)(A) An adequate system of accounts for the fund~~

20 ~~shall be maintained on the accrual method, and financial~~

21 ~~reports prepared on the basis of accepted accounting~~

22 ~~standards in accordance with section 306.~~

23 ~~"(B)(i) The Superintendent of Government Publica-~~

24 ~~tions Access Programs shall prepare and submit to the~~

25 ~~Administrator an annual business-type budget for the ac-~~

counts under his authority within the fund. This budget program shall be as prescribed by section 9104 of title 31.

"(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), for the purposes of section 8147 of title 5, the activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs are not considered activities which are required by statute to submit an annual budget pursuant to or as provided by chapter 91 of title 31.

"(g) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the salaries and expenses of the Federal Publications Access Programs, exclusive of the Government publications sales program under chapter 17.

"§ 1904. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications; Superintendent's responsibilities and authorities

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,

~~Government publications of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches shall be made available at no charge to Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall certify on every contract for the production or procurement of any Government publications entered into by an agency—~~

~~"(1) the number of additional copies required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program; or~~

~~"(2) the terms and conditions, if any, for accessing Government publications required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program.~~

~~"(c) For on-line, fee-based services, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall negotiate terms and conditions for access by the Federal publications access programs based upon the incremental cost of providing access to the Federal publications access libraries. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall procure such access to ensure that the information needs of the user community are met at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall provide selection, cataloging,~~

~~classification, locator, and indexing services for all Government publications from the executive, legislative, and judicial branches. Services under this paragraph may be provided by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs through cooperative agreements with Government agencies, or Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a comprehensive and timely catalog of Government publications, regardless of form or format, that shall be accessible to the Federal publications access libraries and the public.~~

~~"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a locator, in accordance with chapter 41, of all Government publications. Such locator service shall identify, describe, and link users to Government publications available through Government electronic communications systems or accessible through public telecommunications networks.~~

~~"(4) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall consult with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on~~

House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and other agencies and offices to coordinate implementation of the requirements of section 3511, with locator services required under this section.

"(5) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a current, categorized list of Government publications, including annotations of contents and item identification numbers, to facilitate the selection of, or access to those publications required by Federal publications access libraries.

"(6) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall prepare and produce a consolidated index of congressional documents and shall index single volumes of documents as the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives direct.

"(e)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall adopt such regulations, in accordance with section 1903(c), as are necessary to implement the requirements of this chapter. Such regulations shall include procedures for implementing this section and sections 1905, 1906, 1907, and 1911 to require the availability of Government publications, regardless of form or

~~format, to the public through the programs of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. Such regulations shall reflect the needs of the user community and provide access to Government publications at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(2) Government publications made available by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may be chosen or accessed by Federal publications access libraries according to regulations and guidelines issued by the Superintendent of Government Publication Access Programs for such purposes.~~

~~"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall coordinate with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for the development and establishment of uniform policies and procedures relating to the dissemination of Government publications, including policies and procedures for ensuring authenticity, and of guidelines to facilitate permanent public access to and use of Government publications.~~

~~"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall develop procedures, guidelines, and~~

~~regulations under this section consistent with sections 1903(c) and 1907(f).~~

~~"(g) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall, after informing the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, promulgate, through notice and comment, appropriate regulations governing the qualifications, process for selection, periodic inspection, collection maintenance, termination, and total number of Federal publications access libraries in accordance with sections 1903(c) and 1908.~~

~~"§ 1905. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: agency responsibilities and authorities~~

~~"(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each agency head of the executive branch, the Administrative Office of the Courts, on behalf of the judicial branch, and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, for each House of Congress, shall take such action as is necessary to ensure that all Government publications produced or procured for production by the agency are made available to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, as re-~~

quired by this chapter, for dissemination to the public through the Federal Publications Access Programs, at no charge to Federal publications access libraries.

"(b)(1) Each agency shall immediately notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of the intent of the agency to produce or procure, substantially modify, or terminate the production of a Government publication, regardless of form or format, so that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may have access to Government publications created for or transmitted through electronic communications systems or networks, or to order Government publications at the incremental rate for the Federal publications access program.

"(2) Agencies intending to eliminate printed copies of Government publications and provide only electronic access to those publications, shall notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs at least 60 days in advance.

"(3) Any contract for the printing or procurement of any Government publication entered into by an agency shall contain a provision that—

"(A) certifies that the head of the agency, in the executive branch, or the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, in the ju-

~~dicial branch, has given proper notification as prescribed in this section to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs before the awarding of the contract; and~~

~~"(B) includes—~~

~~"(i) the number of additional copies required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program; or~~

~~"(ii) any terms and conditions for accessing Government publications required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program.~~

~~"(4) Such certification shall require that the procuring official shall ensure before production that each contract for the procurement of Government publications contains verification of the notice to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs required by this title.~~

~~"(c) Upon request of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, agencies shall promptly provide the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with copies of, or access to, electronic files of any Government publication to which this section applies for purposes of—~~

~~"(1) producing appropriate format material for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and~~

~~"(2) providing permanent public access, in accordance with section 1907, to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network under this section.~~

~~"(d)(1) No agency may delegate or contract for the creation, storage, reproduction, or dissemination of a Government publication, regardless of form or format, without providing in advance for the full content of that information to be made available to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, including the Federal publications access library program.~~

~~"(2) Each agency shall assure and provide permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network until a system for permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network is established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, in accordance with section 1907.~~

~~"(e) Each agency shall provide the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with a copy of,~~

or access to any Government publication, created on or after the date of enactment of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998, regardless of form or format, to enable the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to perform mandated cataloging, locator, and indexing services, as provided by this section.

"(f) When an agency makes a publication available only as a Government database accessible on an electronic communications system or network, the agency shall furnish information about and access to that publication to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs immediately for purposes of providing locator services only.

"§ 1906. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: executive branch

"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the executive branch, as provided by this title, shall be made available at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall use any measures the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs considers necessary for the economical and practical implementation of this chapter to ensure the

~~timely dissemination of Government publications to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications, as provided by this chapter.~~

~~"(2)(A) Upon a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs that an agency has not complied with the requirements of this chapter, the Superintendent shall notify the Administrator.~~

~~"(B) If the Superintendent determines that a Government publication of an agency has not been made available to the Federal publications access libraries as provided by this chapter, the Superintendent shall—~~

~~"(i) use whatever measures are necessary to bring the agency into compliance and secure access to the Government publication; and~~

~~"(ii) certify to the Administrator the costs associated with securing such access.~~

~~"(3) Upon the issuance of a final determination by the Superintendent that an agency has not complied with the provisions of this chapter, the Administrator shall certify to the agency and the Department of the Treasury the costs determined in accordance with subsection (a)(2). The Superintendent shall prepare a voucher for reimbursement of the certified costs.~~

~~"(4) The Department of the Treasury shall cause to be established a designated budget account for each agency that intends to produce, procure, or enter into a contract to produce or procure a Government publication from which, upon certification of noncompliance and associated costs in accordance with subsection (a)(2), the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer funds, upon presentation of a voucher from the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, to the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office, for reimbursement to the programs of the Superintendent.~~

~~"(5) A final determination of noncompliance by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs under this subsection shall be deemed to be a determination of noncompliance with section 501.~~

~~"(b)(1) Each agency of the executive branch shall use the Government Publications Office as the agent of such agency for the production or the procurement of production of Government publications in accordance with section 501. No agency may produce, procure, or enter into a contract for the production or procurement of any Government publication, regardless of form or format, unless such agency is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.~~

~~"(2) Upon a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services that an agency has not complied with the requirements of section 501, the Superintendent shall notify the Administrator. The Administrator shall certify to the agency and the Office of Management and Budget that the agency is not in compliance and shall suspend any delegation of authority provided under section 501(b).~~

~~"(3) Upon a final determination of noncompliance, the Administrator shall withhold any delegation of authority to the agency for a period of 24 months and shall immediately revoke any delegation of authority which has been granted to the agency under section 501(b).~~

~~"(4) If an agency which has been determined to be in noncompliance with section 501 is also determined to be in noncompliance with the requirements of this chapter under subsection (a), the Administrator shall withhold any delegation of authority for an additional period of 36 months.~~

~~"(c) Determinations made under this section may be reviewed by the Administrator. A determination of the Superintendent of Publications Production and Procurement Services and a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall become~~

final unless overturned or revised by the Administrator within 20 days after the determination.

"(d) A final determination under this section shall not be subject to judicial review.

"§ 1906a. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: legislative branch

"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the legislative branch shall be made available at no cost to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) In the case of Senate publications, the Secretary of the Senate, under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and in the case of House publications, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, under the direction of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of the respective Houses to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications under this chapter.

"(3) In the case of congressional publications, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and

~~the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of Congress and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications of Congress under this chapter.~~

~~"(b)(1) If the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate determines that this section has not been complied with, the Committee on Rules and Administration shall direct the Secretary of the Senate to bring the Senate into compliance.~~

~~"(2) Upon approval by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate of a voucher submitted by the Secretary of the Senate, the contingent fund of the Senate shall be charged for the costs incurred by the Secretary of the Senate to bring the Senate into compliance under this subsection.~~

~~"(c)(1) If the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives determines that this section has not been complied with, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall direct the Clerk of the House of Representatives to bring the House of Representatives into compliance.~~

~~"(2) Upon appropriate authorization, the costs incurred by the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be charged to the appropriate account.~~

~~"(d)(1) If the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, determine that the provisions of this section regarding congressional publications have not been complied with, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall authorize the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to take specific action to bring Congress into compliance with this section.~~

~~"(2) Upon approval by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, of a voucher submitted by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, the Congressional Printing and Binding Appropriation shall be charged for the costs incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, as authorized by this section.~~

~~"§ 1906b. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: judicial branch~~

~~"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the judicial branch, including our court opinions, shall be made available at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(2) The Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of judicial branch agencies and the courts to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications of judicial branch agencies and the courts under this chapter.~~

~~"(b) In the event of noncompliance with the requirements of this title, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, in consultation with the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, shall establish a means to bring the judicial branch into compliance with this chapter.~~

“§ 1907. Permanent Public Access to Government publications

“(a) In this section, the term ‘permanent public access’ means that a Government publication within the scope of the Federal publications access program shall—

“(1) remain available for current, continuous, and future public access; and

“(2) be made available at no fee to the public.

“(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a system of permanent public access to Government publications, for publications other than those publications identified in subsection (c), in accordance with requirements of section 1909(c).

“(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a system of permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.

“(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a committee to make recommendations on the components of a distributive system for permanent public access and the strategy for achieving such system and access.

“(2) The committee established under paragraph (1) shall include representatives of—

~~"(A) the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate;~~

~~"(B) the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives;~~

~~"(C) the National Archives and Records Administration;~~

~~"(D) the Office of Management and Budget;~~

~~"(E) the Administrative Office of the United States Courts;~~

~~"(F) the Library of Congress and other national libraries;~~

~~"(G) regional and other Federal publications access libraries;~~

~~"(H) the Federal publications access library council;~~

~~"(I) the information, computer software, and printing industries;~~

~~"(J) the AFL–CIO; and~~

~~"(K) other entities as appropriate.~~

~~"(c) The Committee established under subsection (c) shall—~~

~~"(1) not later than 24 months after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998, provide recommendations to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Pro-~~

~~grams for necessary statutory and regulatory changes to implement a system to provide permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network;~~

~~"(2) periodically review developments in public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, and make recommendations for further action by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the Congress as necessary;~~

~~"(3) propose regulations to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to be promulgated under section 1904 by the Superintendent as appropriate, necessary to implement permanent public access to Government publications;~~

~~"(4) identify criteria for Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network that warrant permanent accessibility; and~~

~~"(5) establish certifying criteria to accompany Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or net-~~

~~work to ensure that such publications are official versions.~~

~~"(f) The system of permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network established under this section shall include a distributive system that provides for adequate redundancy and requires official and contractual agreements among participating entities. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall retain final responsibility for permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network and for ensuring that the system is operated in accordance with this section.~~

~~"(g)(1) Until the system of permanent public access under this section is established, each agency shall provide permanent public access to the Government publications it creates for or transmits through an electronic communications system or network.~~

~~"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be responsible for developing, in consultation with Congress, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, procedures and guidelines for permanent public access to Government publications created for or~~

~~transmitted through an electronic communications system or network for purposes of paragraph (1).~~

~~"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall offer to agencies, on a cost-recovery basis, services for providing permanent public access to the Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.~~

~~"(h) Until such time as the bound permanent Congressional Record and the bound United States Congressional serial set are created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, such Record and set shall remain available in a bound, printed format for those Federal publications access libraries which have chosen to receive such Record and set.~~

~~"§ 1908. Designation of Federal publications access libraries~~

~~"(a) Subject to subsection (e), Federal publications access libraries shall be designated by certain elected officials as follows:~~

~~"(1) Each Senator may designate up to 2 libraries within the State represented.~~

~~"(2) Each Representative may designate up to 2 libraries within the district represented.~~

~~"(3) The Resident Commissioner may designate up to 2 libraries within Puerto Rico.~~

~~"(4) The Mayor of the District of Columbia may designate up to 2 Federal publications access libraries in the District of Columbia.~~

~~"(5) The Governor of Guam, the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marina Islands, and the Governor of American Samoa may each designate 1 Federal publications access library in each area represented.~~

~~"(6) The Governor of the Virgin Islands may designate 1 Federal publications access library on the Island of Saint Thomas and 1 on the Island of Saint Croix.~~

~~"(b) Upon request of the institution, the following shall be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs as Federal publications access libraries:~~

~~"(1) Land grant colleges.~~

~~"(2) State libraries.~~

~~"(3) The library of the highest State appellate court in each State.~~

~~"(4) The library of any law school accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, or accredited by the highest appellate court of the State in which the law school is located.~~

~~"(5) The libraries of the executive departments, the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, the United States Coast Guard Academy, and the United States Merchant Marine Academy.~~

~~"(e)(1) A Federal publications access library within each independent agency may be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs upon certification of need by the head of the agency to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(2) Additional Federal publications access libraries within executive departments and independent agencies may be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs upon certification of justifiable need by the head of the agency.~~

~~"(d) Before any additional or replacement Federal publications access library is designated, the head of the library shall furnish the appointing authority justification of the necessity for such designation. The justification shall be approved by the head of the library authority of the State, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, within which the proposed Federal publications access library is to be located, or signed by the head of each existing Federal publications access library~~

within the congressional district, the State, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

"(e) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may designate as a Federal publications access library, upon recommendation of a Senator or Representative representing the area, any library serving an underserved area.

"(f) Notwithstanding the limitations on numbers of Federal publications access libraries that may be designated under this section, each library that is designated as a Federal Depository Library as of the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall be a Federal publications access library as of that date.

"(g) A library may be designated under this section as a Federal publications access library only if it is able properly to maintain and provide public access to Government publications, regardless of form or format.

"§ 1909. Regional Federal publications access libraries

"(a)(1) Not more than 2 Federal publications access libraries, including any group of Federal publications access libraries with a cooperative agreement, in each State or service area and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia—

~~"(A) may be designated as regional Federal publications access libraries; and~~

~~"(B) shall receive from the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs copies of or access to all new and revised Government publications authorized for dissemination to Federal publications access libraries.~~

~~"(2) A cooperative group of libraries that includes libraries in more than 1 State may be designated under this section.~~

~~"(b)(1) Designation of regional Federal publications access libraries may be made by a Senator or the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico or the Mayor of the District of Columbia with the areas represented by them, after consultation with the head of the library authority of the State or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or the District of Columbia, as the case may be, who shall first ascertain from the head of the library, or cooperative group of libraries, to be so designated that the library will fulfill the requirements of a regional Federal publications access library.~~

~~"(2) The agreement to function as a regional Federal public access information library shall be transmitted to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs by the Senator or the Resident Commissioner~~

~~from Puerto Rico or the Mayor of the District of Columbia when the designation is made.~~

~~"(c)(1) Regional Federal publications access libraries shall—~~

~~"(A) permanently maintain for public use at least 1 copy of all Government publications not created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, except those authorized to be discarded by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; or~~

~~"(B) coordinate with other Federal publications access libraries in the applicable service area to ensure that such service is provided by a Federal publications access library in the area.~~

~~"(2) Within the region served, a regional Federal publications access library shall provide or coordinate the provision of all program-related activities in the service area, including interlibrary loans and reference services.~~

"§ 1910. Federal publications access libraries: responsibilities

~~"(a) Federal publications access libraries shall make Government publications received or accessed through the Federal publications access program available for the use of the public at no fee.~~

~~"(b) All Government publications not created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network received by Federal publications access libraries remain the property of the United States Government. Federal publications access libraries may dispose of Government publications only as authorized by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(c) Federal publications access libraries shall operate in accord with regulations promulgated under section 1904.~~

~~"§ 1911. Federal publications access libraries council~~

~~"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a permanent Federal Publications Access Library Council (in this section referred to as the 'Council').~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall—~~

~~"(1) determine the composition of the Council and the duration of terms of the members; and~~

~~"(2) publish the membership of the Council annually in the Federal Register.~~

~~"(c) The Council's members shall be representative of the various classes of libraries which comprise the Federal publications access library program and others.~~

~~"(d) Appointment to the Council shall be made without regard to political affiliation.~~

~~"(e) The Council shall advise the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on—~~

~~"(1) appropriate items and preferred formats for inclusion in the program under this chapter;~~

~~"(2) Government publications that—~~

~~"(A) are not included in the program; and~~

~~"(B) the Council recommends for inclusion in the program; and~~

~~"(3) such other policy matters as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may request.~~

~~"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may establish other advisory committees consisting of representatives of Federal publications access libraries, agencies, and users of Government publications. Such advisory committees shall be established as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines appropriate.~~

~~"(g)(1) All meetings of the Council and those of any other advisory committee established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be open to the public, except when the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines~~

that the meeting or any portion of the meeting shall be closed to the public consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5, and only after a ⅔ vote of the Council.

"(2) All meetings of the Council and those of any other advisory committee established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be preceded by timely public notice in the Federal Register of the time, place, and subject of the meeting.

"(3) Minutes of each meeting shall be kept and shall contain a record of the people present and a description of the discussion that occurred. The minutes and records of all such meetings and other documents that were made available to or prepared for the Council or any other advisory council established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be made publicly accessible unless the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines that a record or any portion of such record, shall not be publicly disclosed, consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5, and only after a ⅔ vote of the Council.".

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 months after the effective date of this Act, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and Ad-

~~ministration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives on—~~

~~(1) the status of the Federal publications access program established under chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code;~~

~~(2) the expected developments in the program, including recommendations for necessary statutory and subsequent regulatory changes to implement a system to provide continuous and permanent access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network; and~~

~~(3) specific recommendations for legislative proposals, as appropriate.~~

~~(e) TRANSFER.—All duties, authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Superintendent of Documents of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective date of this title shall be performed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on and after such date.~~

~~(f) REFERENCES.—References in any other Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to—~~

~~(1) the Superintendent of Documents shall be deemed to refer to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and~~

~~(2) the Office of the Superintendent of Documents shall be deemed to refer to the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~(g) TRANSITION.—~~

~~(1) INCUMBENT.—~~

~~IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the individual serving as the Superintendent of Documents of the Government Printing Office on the effective date of this title may serve as Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of the Government Publications Office until the President appoints a Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs under paragraph (2).~~

~~(2) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this title, the President shall appoint a Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of the Government Publications Office in accordance with section 1903 of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this Act).~~

~~(3) ASSETS AND PROPERTY.—Assets and real property under the control of, in use by, or assigned to the Superintendent of Documents by the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the control of the Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on the effective date of this Act for the use of the Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs thereafter for purposes of implementing this Act.~~

~~(4) PERSONNEL.—Personnel under the supervision of or assigned to the Superintendent of Documents by the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the supervision or assigned to the Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on the effective date of this Act for purposes of implementing this Act.~~

~~(h) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES AS FEDERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCESS LIBRARIES.—The regulations relating to Federal publications access libraries promulgated under section 1904(e) of title 44, United States Code (as amended by subsection (a) of this section) shall incorporate all relevant provisions of regulations relating to Federal depository libraries under~~

sections 1905, 1906, 1907, 1909, 1910, 1912, 1915, and 1916 of title 44, United States Code (as in effect before the effective date of this Act).

(i) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 19 and inserting the following:

"19. Federal Publications Access Programs ..... 1901".

SEC. 403. DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS BY SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 17 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 17—DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

"Sec.

"1701. Publications for public distribution to be distributed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; mailing lists.

"1702. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; sale of Government publications.

"1703. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: assistants, blanks, printing, and binding.

"1704. Payment of costs.

"1705. Additional copies for sale to the public.

"1706. Production and sale of extra copies of Government publications.

"1707. Reproducing Government publications required for sale.

"1708. Prices for sales copies of publications; crediting of receipts; resale by dealers; sales agents.

"1709. Blank forms: printing and sale to public.

"1710. Publications for use of the Superintendent of Publications Access Programs.

"1711. Publications for use of National Archives and Records Administration.

"1712. Publications for the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

~~"1713. Government publications for the Library of Congress.~~
~~"1714. Exchange of Government publications by heads of Federal agencies.~~

~~"§ 1701. Publications for public distribution to be distributed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; mailing lists~~

~~"(a) Money appropriated by any Act may not be used for services in an executive department or other Government establishment at the District of Columbia, in the work of addressing, wrapping, mailing, or otherwise dispatching a publication for public distribution, except maps, weather reports, and weather cards issued by them or for the purchase of material or supplies to be used in this work. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall perform this work at the Government Publications Office. The head of an executive department, independent office, and establishment of the Government at the District of Columbia, shall furnish from time to time to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs mailing lists, in convenient form, and changes in them, or penalty mail slips, for use in the public distribution of publications issued by the department or establishment. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may furnish copies of a publication only in accordance with law or the instruc-~~

~~tion of the head of the department or establishment issuing the publication.~~

~~"(b) This section does not apply to orders, instructions, directions, notices, or circulars of information printed for and issued by an executive department or other Government establishment or to the distribution of public publications by Senators or Members of the House of Representatives or to the Senate Service Department, House of Representatives Publications Distribution Service, and document rooms of the Senate or House of Representatives.~~

~~"§ 1702. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; sale of Government publications~~

~~"(a)(1) If an officer of the Government having in his charge Government publications for sale desires to be relieved of the publications, the officer may—~~

~~"(A) turn the publications over to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, who shall receive and sell them under this section; or~~

~~"(B) dispose of such publications under section 306 or 314.~~

~~"(2) Moneys received from the sale of such Government publications shall be paid to the Superintendent of~~

~~Government Publications Access Programs, and placed in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office and credited to the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall have general supervision of a Government publications sales program which shall provide Government publications to the public for purchase.~~

~~"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall report monthly to the Administrator the number of publications received by the Superintendent and the disposition made of them.~~

~~"§ 1703. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: assistants, blanks, printing, and binding~~

~~"(a) The Administrator shall provide convenient office space, storage, and distributing rooms for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services, upon requisition by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, shall do the printing and binding required by the office in accordance with section 1107.~~

“§ 1704. Payment of costs

“(a) Employees in the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may be paid for night, Sunday, holiday, and overtime work at rates not in excess of the rates of additional pay for this work allowed other employees of the Government Publications Office under section 303.

“(b) The costs of printing and related services incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs under this chapter for work performed by the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services shall be paid by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs from accounts under the Superintendent’s authority within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.

“(c) The Administrator shall transfer funds from the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to the account of the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services, upon a voucher prepared by the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services and approved by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

“§ 1705. Additional copies for sale to the public

“Upon requisition by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, the Superintendent

~~of Government Production and Procurement Services shall produce additional copies of a Government publication, not confidential in character, required for sale to the public, as determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The cost of such production shall be determined in accordance with section 1107. Such production shall not interfere with the prompt execution of publications production for the executive, legislative, or judicial branches of Government.~~

~~"§ 1706. Production and sale of extra copies of Government publications~~

~~''The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may furnish to private nongovernmental applicants giving notice before a publication is produced, such copies of the requested Government publication as the applicant requests. The applicant shall pay in advance the price of the requested Government publication as determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The production of such copies for private nongovernmental parties may not interfere with the production for the Government.~~

~~"§ 1707. Reproducing Government publications required for sale~~

~~''The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may order reproduced, from time to time,~~

~~Government publications required for sale, subject to the approval of the head of the department or agency in which the Government publication originated. The Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services shall be reimbursed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the cost of reproduction from the moneys received from the sale of Government publications. Such receipts shall be deposited in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office to the credit of the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services.~~

~~"§ 1708. Prices for sales copies of publications; crediting of receipts; resale by dealers; sales agents~~

~~"(a) To the greatest extent feasible, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall operate the sales program of Government publications on a self-sustaining basis. Sales prices for Government publications sold by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to cover the cost of procurement or production, dissemination, and other appropriate costs, including the offering of sales discounts and any costs associated with the sales program.~~

~~"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may prescribe terms and conditions under which the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs authorizes the resale of Government publications by book dealers. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may designate any Government officer or any person who is not a Federal employee as his agent for the sale of Government publications under terms and conditions agreed upon by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the head of the respective agency of the Government.~~

~~"§ 1709. Blank forms: printing and sale to public~~

~~"The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may have produced for sale to the public, upon prepayment, additional copies of approved Government blank forms.~~

~~"§ 1710. Publications for use of the Superintendent of Publications Access Programs~~

~~"The Superintendent of Publications Access Programs may retain out of all publications, bills, and resolutions printed the number of copies absolutely needful for the official use of the Government Publications Office, not exceeding 5 of each.~~

“§ 1711. Publications for use of National Archives and Records Administration

“(a) The National Archives and Records Administration may purchase from the Government Publications Office such Government publications as the Archivist of the United States determines necessary for use by the Archivist, including use by the Presidential Library established for the President during whose term the publications were issued.

“(b) Such purchases shall be made—

“(1) in accordance with section 1107; and

“(2) from funds appropriated to the National Archives and Records Administration for such purpose.

“§ 1712. Publications for the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives

“(a) When printing not bearing a congressional number, except confidential matters, blank forms, and circular letters not of a public character, is done for an agency of Government, or not of a confidential character, is done for use of congressional committees, 2 copies shall be sent by the Government Publications Office to the Senate and the House of Representatives libraries, respectively.

“(b) Such purchases shall be made—

“(1) in accordance with section 1107; and

1 ~~"(2) from funds appropriated for congressional~~
2 ~~printing and binding under § 735, title 44, United~~
3 ~~States Code, as amended by this Act.~~
4 **~~"§ 1713. Government publications for the Library of~~**
5 **~~Congress~~**
6 ~~"(a) The Library of Congress shall purchase from the~~
7 ~~Superintendent of Government Publications Access Pro-~~
8 ~~grams such Government publications as the Librarian of~~
9 ~~Congress determines necessary for service to Congress, in-~~
10 ~~cluding the Congressional Research Service, maintenance~~
11 ~~of the library's collection, and to fully carry into effect~~
12 ~~the convention concluded at Brussels on March 15, 1886,~~
13 ~~and proclaimed by the President of the United States on~~
14 ~~January 15, 1889, authorizing the Librarian of Congress~~
15 ~~to administer an international exchange program by pro-~~
16 ~~viding Government publications, including daily copies of~~
17 ~~the Congressional Record, for distribution to foreign gov-~~
18 ~~ernments which agree, as indicated by the Librarian of~~
19 ~~Congress, to send to the United States similar publications~~
20 ~~of their governments for delivery to the Library of Con-~~
21 ~~gress.~~
22 ~~"(b) Such purchases shall be made—~~
23 ~~"(1) in accordance with section 1107; and~~
24 ~~"(2) from funds appropriated to the Library of~~
25 ~~Congress for such purposes.~~

~~"§ 1714. Exchange of Government publications by heads of agencies~~

~~"The head of an agency may exchange surplus Government publications for other Government publications required by the agency, if it is to the advantage of the public service.".~~

~~(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 17 and insert the following:~~

~~"17. Distribution and Sale of Government Publications .... 1701".~~

~~SEC. 404. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.~~

~~(a) CHAPTER 11.—Section 1108 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".~~

~~(b) CHAPTER 41.—~~

~~(1) Section 4101 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—~~

~~(A) by striking "Superintendent of Documents" each place it appears and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs";~~

~~(B) by striking "; under the direction of the Public Printer; and";~~

~~(C) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting before the semicolon the following: "; for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of Government"; and~~

~~(D) by adding at the end the following new subsection:~~

~~"(d) LOCATOR.—The electronic directory, or locator, authorized under section 3511 shall not replace, but shall be established in addition to, the locator established by this section. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be the sole administrator of the Government locator established under this section and shall coordinate and integrate the services of the locator established under section 3511.".~~

~~(2) Section 4102 of title 44, United States Code, repealed.~~

~~(3) The table of sections for chapter 41, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 4102.~~

~~TITLE V—ADMINISTRATIVE AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS~~

~~SEC. 501. CONTINUATION OF EMPLOYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS.~~

~~Compensation, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment in effect on the day before the effective date of this Act, whether provided by statute, regulation, or agreement between employees and the Public Printer, shall continue to apply to officers and employees of the Government Printing Office until modified or terminated in accordance with law, including the provisions of this Act.~~

~~SEC. 502. PROCEEDINGS NOT AFFECTED.~~

~~The provisions of this Act shall not affect any proceedings, including notices of proposed rulemaking, or any application for any license, permit, certificate, or financial assistance pending before the Government Printing Office at the time this Act takes effect, with respect to functions transferred by this Act but such proceedings and applications shall be continued. Orders shall be issued in such proceedings, appeals shall be taken therefrom, and payments shall be made pursuant to such orders, as if this Act had not been enacted, and orders issued in any such proceedings shall continue in effect until modified, terminated, superseded, or revoked by a duly authorized official,~~

~~by a court of competent jurisdiction, or by operation of law. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the discontinuance or modification of any such proceeding under the same terms and conditions and to the same extent that such proceeding could have been discontinued or modified if this Act had not been enacted.~~

~~SEC. 503. SUITS NOT AFFECTED.~~

~~The provisions of this Act shall not affect suits commenced before the effective date of this Act, and in all such suits, proceedings shall be had, appeals taken, and judgments rendered in the same manner and with the same effect as if this Act had not been enacted.~~

~~SEC. 504. NONABATEMENT OF ACTIONS.~~

~~No suit, action, or other proceeding commenced by or against the Government Printing Office, or by or against any individual in the official capacity of such individual as an officer of the Government Printing Office, shall abate by reason of the enactment of this Act.~~

~~SEC. 505. SEPARABILITY.~~

~~If a provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, neither the remainder of this Act nor the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall be affected.~~

~~SEC. 506. TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.~~

~~(1) Section 208 of title 1, United States Code, is amended—~~

~~(A) in the section heading by striking all after "**agencies**";~~ ~~and~~

~~(B) by striking "Joint Committee on Printing" and inserting "Administrator of the Government Publications Office, in consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives".~~

~~(2) The table of sections for chapter 3 of title 1, United States Code, is amended in the item relating to section 208 by striking all after "agencies" and inserting a period.~~

~~(3) Section 3 of the joint resolution of December 24, 1970 (2 U.S.C. 168b) is amended by striking "Joint Committee on Printing" and inserting "Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives".~~

~~(4) Section 2(b)(1) of Public Law 94–386 (2 U.S.C. 285b note; District of Columbia Code, section 49–102) is amended by striking "Public Printer" and "Public Printer (in consultation with the Joint Committee on Printing)" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publica-~~

~~tions Production and Procurement Services (in consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives)''.~~

~~(5) Section 312 of the Federal Water Power Act (16 U.S.C. 825k) is amended by striking all beginning with ''Joint Committee on Printing'' in the fourth sentence through the end of the section and inserting ''Administrator of the Government Publications Office may prescribe''.~~

~~(6) Section 5(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 954(c)) is amended by striking the sentence following paragraph (10).~~

~~(7) Section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 956(c)) is amended by striking the sentence following paragraph (10).~~

~~(8) Section 602(d) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 474(d)(18)) is amended by striking ''Joint Committee on Printing'' and inserting ''Government Publications Office''.~~

~~(9) Chapter 1 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed.~~

~~(10) The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 1.~~

~~(11) Chapter VII of title I of the Second Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1976 (Public Law 94–303; 90 Stat. 616; 44 U.S.C. 103 note) is amended under the heading "JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING" by striking the 2 provisos.~~

~~(12) Title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1978 (Public Law 95–94; 91 Stat. 669; 44 U.S.C. 103 note) is amended under the heading "JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING" by striking the first 2 provisos.~~

~~SEC. 507. ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.~~

~~(a) RECOMMENDED LEGISLATION.—After consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrator of the Office of Government Publications, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall each prepare and submit to Congress recommended legislation containing technical and conforming amendments to reflect the changes made by this Act.~~

~~(b) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 6 months after the effective date of this Act, the Administrator of the Office of Government Publications, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall each submit the recommended legislation referred to under subsection (a).~~

~~SEC. 508. IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS.~~

~~Effective on the date of enactment of this Act, the Public Printer and the Superintendent of Documents may each take such administrative actions as necessary to provide for the orderly implementation of this Act.~~

~~SEC. 509. EFFECTIVE DATE.~~

~~Except as provided under sections 305, 308, 408, and 508 this Act shall take effect on January 1, 1999.~~

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Senator Wendell H. Ford of Kentucky, who has served four terms in the U.S. Senate beginning in 1974 and has announced his retirement at the end of the 105th Congress, has been a staunch advocate of the right of the American public to have free and open access to the publications of their Federal Government.

(2) Senator Ford has been a supporter and friend to libraries and education all of his political life.

(3) Senator Ford has become a trusted and effective Member of the U.S. Senate as evidenced by his election by his peers to be Assistant Democratic Leader of the Senate on two different occasions.

(4) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford completely restructured and streamlined State government to make it more responsive to the people and more effective in providing services.

(5) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford moved the Division of Archives and Records from the Department for Finance and Administration to the Department of Libraries to merge the State's two primary information agencies into one department.

(6) As Governor of Kentucky, Wendell Ford dramatically increased funding to all levels of education, and as a U.S. Senator has always supported full funding for Library Services and Construction Act and Library Services and Technology Act programs.

(7) Senator Ford shaped and sponsored the National Voter Registration Act to make it easier for citizens to participate in their government by choosing their leaders.

(8) Senator Ford, as a member of the Senate Commerce Committee, was instrumental in ensuring that the Telecommunications Act of 1996 included a provision that allows generous discounts for schools and libraries to connect with the Internet.

(9) Senator Ford has been a major proponent of making Federal information accessible to the people through the Federal Depository Library Program.

(10) Senator Ford has been a determined supporter of the Government Printing Office and its information dissemination programs, frequently safeguarding the resources needed for the Federal Depository Library Program.

(11) Senator Ford cosponsored and supported S.J. Res. 57, the National Policy on Permanent Paper, to promote the use of permanent papers in printing Federal Government publications of enduring value to the people.

(12) Senator Ford, through his leadership role on the Senate Rules and Administration Committee and the Joint Committee on Printing, improved the people's access to Federal Government information by holding hearings on the issue of "fugitive documents" in 1991.

(13) Senator Ford, through his leadership role on the Senate Rules and Administration Committee and the Joint Committee on Printing, was a prime mover in the passage of the "Government Printing Office Electronic Information Enhancement Act of 1993," enabling GPO to move onto the electronic information highway and to create an electronic storage facility for electronic government information.

(14) Senator Ford, in recognition of his active support for greater public access to Federal Government information resources, received the James Madison Award from the Coalition of Government Information in 1993.

(15) Senator Ford, in recognition of his lifelong support of libraries and library programs, his dedication to the principle of public access to Federal Government information throughout his congressional career, and in honor of his retirement from the U.S. Senate after twenty-four years of distinguished service to his country and the people of the United States, was awarded Honorary Membership in the American Library Association on June 27, 1998.

(16) It is altogether fitting and proper that this Act, the most comprehensive and far reaching proposal to ensure permanent public access to the Gov-

ernment's publications, regardless of form or format, to come before the Congress of the United States during the tenure of Senator Ford, be named in his honor.

(b) SHORT TITLE.—This Act shall be cited as the "Wendell H. Ford Government Publications Reform Act of 1998".

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents is as follows:

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SEC. 3. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) in a democracy, public access to Government publications is fundamental to fostering an informed citizenry in order to promote meaningful participation in the democratic process;

(2) easy and equitable access to Federal Government publications contributes to economic development in many sectors of the Nation's economy;

(3) permanent public access to Federal Government publications through a diversity of sources, including a system of Federal publications access libraries, should be guaranteed;

(4) the Federal Government should seek the most effective and efficient means of producing, disseminating, and providing permanent public access to its

publications, and these means should not be placed at risk due to jurisdictional disputes between the branches of the Federal Government;

(5) duplicative in-house agency publications production is costly and inefficient and should be phased out and replaced with—

(A) procurement through the Government Publications Office, consistent with this Act; or

(B) as appropriate, from competitively selected private sector commercial sources;

(6) recent practices by Federal agencies of privatizing Government publications have resulted in a significant loss of publications that should have been made available to the public through the Federal publications access program;

(7) technological developments provide opportunities for increasing efficiencies in the production and dissemination of Government publications, but also pose challenges for ensuring broad-based, permanent public access to Government publications in new forms and format;

(8) the establishment of a mechanism for contemporaneous monitoring and evaluation of such developments is essential in order to maintain a continuous

flow of timely, useful, and permanently accessible Government publications to the public; and

(9) the dissemination and permanent public access of Government publications must be guaranteed through a mechanism with sufficient independence and authority to ensure agency compliance with their obligation to provide material for the Federal publications access program.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are to—

(1) reform the oversight and management of the production, dissemination, and permanent public access to the Federal Government's publications;

(2) guarantee permanent public access to publications produced by the Federal Government, regardless of form or format;

(3) facilitate the efficient and economical production, dissemination, and permanent public access to Government publications; and

(4) limit the Federal Government's internal publication production capacity and to promote the procurement of publication production from competitively selected private sector commercial sources to the maximum extent practicable consistent with this Act.

SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act, the term—

(1) "Government Publication" has the meaning given such term under section 1902(3) of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act;

(2) "agency" has the meaning given such term under section 1902(1) of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this Act); and

(3) "House of Representatives" shall include the delegates of the United States territories and the District of Columbia, and the Resident Commissioner.

TITLE I—TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

SEC. 101. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to provide for the orderly transfer of functions of the Joint Committee on Printing, as appropriate, to—

(1) the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate;

(2) the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives; and

(3) the Government Publications Office, and as appropriate, to—

(A) the Administrator;

(B) the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and

(C) the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

SEC. 102. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS ESTABLISHING THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

Chapter 1 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed, and the table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 1.

SEC. 103. REGULATION.

Unless otherwise provided by this Act, the Administrator shall cause to remain in effect as appropriate the Government Printing and Binding Regulations No. 26, effective February 1990, as contained in Senate Publication, S.Pub. 101–9, in effect until the Administrator of the Government Publications Office publishes final regulations in accordance with section 301 of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this Act).

SEC. 104. REPEAL OF WAIVERS.

All waivers granted and other provisions required of executive and judicial branch agencies and independent establishments by the Joint Committee on Printing under the Government Printing and Binding Regulations before the date of enactment of this Act shall be void 120 days follow-

ing the promulgation of final regulations pursuant to section 308, title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act.

SEC. 105. REFERENCES.

Reference in any Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to the Joint Committee on Printing shall be deemed to refer to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, or the Government Publications Office, as appropriate.

SEC. 106. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This title shall take effect on January 1, 1999.

TITLE II—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE

SEC. 201. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3, title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 3—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE

"Sec.
"301. Administrator; Government Publications Office: appointment; duties; and pay.
"302. Government Publications Office; Deputy Administrator: appointment; duties; and pay.
"303. Government Publications Office; employee pay.
"304. Government Publications Office; night work.
"305. Disbursing officer, deputy disbursing officer, certifying officers and employees.
"306. Revolving Fund for operation of Government Publications Office.

"307. Payments for printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, and publications production services.
"308. Production and procurement authority.
"309. Machinery, material, equipment, or supplies from other Government agencies.
"310. Inks, glues, and other supplies furnished to other Government agencies: payment.
"311. Branches of Government Publications Office: limitations.
"312. Detail of employees of Government Publications Office to other Government establishments.
"313. Government Publications Office security.
"314. Transfer of surplus property.
"315. Sales of reproducibles.
"316. Use of Federal advisory committees.

1 ***"§ 301. Administrator; Government Publications Of-***
2 ***fice: appointment; duties; and pay***

3 *"(a) The President of the United States shall appoint,*
4 *by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the Ad-*
5 *ministrator who shall take charge of and manage the Gov-*
6 *ernment Publications Office.*

7 *"(b) The Administrator may use any measures the Ad-*
8 *ministrator considers necessary to carry out the duties and*
9 *powers of the office and to remedy neglect, delay, duplica-*
10 *tion, or waste in the production or procurement of printing,*
11 *binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of*
12 *this title, and dissemination of the Federal Government's*
13 *publications, and to enhance and expand the dissemination*
14 *of, and maintenance of permanent public access to, the Fed-*
15 *eral Government's publications.*

16 *"(c)(1) After notice and comment, and in consultation*
17 *with the Office of Management and Budget, the Administra-*
18 *tive Office of the United States Courts, the Committee on*
19 *Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee*

on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrator may issue regulations consistent with this title to carry out the purposes of this title.

"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5, and the requirements of chapter 7 of title 5.

"(3) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a "major rule."

"(d) The annual rate of pay for the Administrator shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.

"§ 302. Government Publications Office; Deputy Administrator: appointment; duties; and pay

"(a) The Administrator shall appoint a suitable person to be the Deputy Administrator.

"(b)(1) The Deputy Administrator shall perform—

"(A) all duties and responsibilities assigned by the Administrator; and

"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Administrator in the event of—

"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Administrator; or

"(ii) incapacity of the Administrator.

"(2) In the event of a vacancy or incapacity under paragraph (1)(B), the Deputy Administrator shall serve until a successor Administrator is appointed, but for no longer than 1 year after a vacancy or incapacity occurs.

"(c) The annual rate of pay for the Deputy Administrator shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.

"§ 303. Government Publications Office; employee pay

"(a)(1) The Administrator may employ persons necessary for the work of the Government Publications Office at rates of wages and salaries, including compensation for night and overtime work, the Administrator considers for the interest of the Government and just to the persons employed, except as otherwise provided by this section.

"(2) The Administrator may not employ more persons than the necessities of public work require.

"(b) The rate of wages, including compensation for night and overtime work, for more than 10 employees of the same occupation shall be determined by a conference between the Administrator and a committee selected by the trades affected.

"(c)(1) Wages affecting the employees of the Government Publications Office shall be negotiated between the Administrator and bargaining representatives of the employees of the Government Publications Office.

"(2) If the Administrator and the bargaining representatives of the employees fail to agree to wages, salaries, and compensation, the dispute shall be referred to an arbitrator chosen from a panel of 3 arbitrators.

"(3) Subject to paragraph (4), the Administrator and the bargaining representatives of the employees shall enter into an agreement that governs—

"(A) the selection of arbitrators for the panel; and

"(B) the procedures applicable to the panel.

"(4) The costs of the proceedings of the panel, including transcripts, shall be paid as follows:

"(A) 50 percent of such costs shall be paid by the Government Publications Office.

"(B) 50 percent of such costs shall be paid by the bargaining representatives of the employees.

"(5) A decision by the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all parties.

"(d) The wages, salaries, and compensation so determined are not subject to change more than once a year.

"(e) The Administrator may grant an employee paid on an annual basis compensatory time off from work duty instead of overtime pay for overtime work.

"§ 304. Government Publications Office; night work

"The Administrator shall cause the work of the Government Publications Office to be done at night as well as through the day, when the exigencies of the public service require it.

"§ 305. Disbursing officer; deputy disbursing officer; certifying officers and employees

"(a) The Administrator shall appoint from time to time a disbursing officer of the Government Publications Office who shall be under the direction of the Administrator. The disbursing officer shall (1) disburse moneys of the Government Publications Office only upon, and in strict accordance with, vouchers certified by the Administrator or by an officer or employee of the Government Publications Office authorized in writing by the Administrator to certify such vouchers, (2) make such examination of vouchers as may be necessary to ascertain whether they are in proper form, certified, and approved, and (3) be held accountable accordingly. However, the disbursing officer shall not be held accountable or responsible for any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate, the responsibility for which, under

subsection (c) of this section, is imposed upon a certifying officer or employee of the Government Publications Office.

"(b)(1) Upon the death, resignation, or separation from office of the disbursing officer, his accounts may be continued, and payments and collection may be made in his name, by any individual designated as a deputy disbursing officer by the Administrator, for a period of time not to extend beyond the last day of the second month following the month in which the death, resignation, or separation occurred. Accounts and payments shall be allowed, audited, and settled, and checks signed in the name of the former disbursing officer by a deputy disbursing officer shall be honored in the same manner as if the former disbursing officer had continued in office.

"(2) A former disbursing officer of the Government Publications Office or his estate may not be subject to any legal liability or penalty for the official accounts or defaults of the deputy disbursing officer acting in the name or in the place of the former disbursing officer. Each deputy disbursing officer is responsible for accounts entrusted to him under paragraph (1) of this subsection, and the deputy disbursing officer is liable for any default occurring during his service under such paragraph.

"(c)(1) The Administrator may designate in writing officers and employees of the Government Publications Of-

fice to certify vouchers for payment from appropriations and funds. Such officers and employees shall (A) be responsible for the existence and correctness of the facts recited in the certificate or other voucher or its supporting papers and for the legality of the proposed payment under the appropriation or fund involved, (B) be responsible and accountable for the correctness of the computations of certified vouchers, and (C) be accountable for, and required to make restitution to, the United States for the amount of any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate made by him, as well as for any payment prohibited by law or which did not represent a legal obligation under the appropriation or fund involved. However, the Administrator may, at his discretion, relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for any payment otherwise proper whenever he finds that (i) the certification was based on the official records and that such certifying officer or employee did not know, and by reasonable diligence and inquiry could not have ascertained, the actual facts, or (ii) when the obligation was incurred in good faith, the payment was not contrary to any statutory provision specifically prohibiting payments of the character involved, and the United States has received value for such payment. The Administrator shall relieve such certifying officer or employee of liability for an over-

payment for transportation services made to any common carrier covered by section 3726 of title 31, whenever he finds that the overpayment occurred solely because the administrative examination made prior to payment of the transportation bill did not include a verification of transportation rates, freight classifications, or land grant deductions.

"(2) The liability of such certifying officers or employees shall be enforced in the same manner and to the same extent as provided by law with respect to the enforcement of the liability of disbursing and other accountable officers. Such certifying officers and employees shall have the right to apply for and obtain a decision by the Comptroller General on any question of law involved in a payment on any vouchers presented to them for certification.

"§306. Revolving Fund for operation of Government Publications Office

"(a) The revolving fund established July 1, 1953, hereafter referred to as the 'Revolving Fund', is available without fiscal year limitation for the operation and maintenance of the Government Publications Office, including—

"(1) rental of buildings; attendance at meetings; maintenance and operation of the emergency room; employee training; uniforms or uniform allowances; and, repairs and minor alterations to buildings;

"(2) any costs associated with audits performed in accordance with this Act;

"(3) all expenses incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the production of, or procurement for the production of, Government publications found to be in violation of requirements of chapter 19, as authorized by that chapter; and

"(4) all receipts received through a transfer by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with chapter 19 and credited to the accounts of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(b) The Revolving Fund shall be reimbursed for the cost of all services and supplies furnished the Government Publications Office and credited with all receipts including sales of printing, print procurement and related publications production services, waste, condemned and surplus property, with payments received for losses or damage to property, and with receipts received through a transfer by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with chapter 19.

"(c) The Administrator shall maintain within the Revolving Fund separate accounts for activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Pro-

curement Services and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and all expenses and reimbursements of costs of the respective Superintendents shall be accounted for within the Revolving Fund. The Administrator shall ensure that, to the greatest extent possible, net receipts of the respective Superintendent's programs shall be used for the benefit and enhancement of those programs, respectively.

"(d)(1) An adequate system of accounts for the Revolving Fund shall be maintained on the accrual method, and financial reports prepared on the basis of accepted accounting standards. The Administrator shall prepare and submit an annual business-type budget for this fund which shall include the programs and activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. This budget program shall be considered and enacted as prescribed by section 9104 of title 31.

"(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), for the purposes of section 8147 of title 5, the Government Publications Office (and each of its components) is not considered an agency which is required by statute to submit an annual budget pursuant to or as provided by chapter 91 of title 31.

"(e)(1) The Administrator shall prepare annual financial statements meeting the requirements of section 3515(b) of title 31. The financial statements shall be audited each year in accordance with applicable generally accepted Government auditing standards by an independent external auditor selected by the Administrator, with the concurrence of the Inspector General of the Government Publications Office, or by the Inspector General of the Government Publications Office.

"(2) For purposes of the audits, the Inspector General shall have such access to the records, files, personnel, and facilities of the Government Publications Office as the Inspector General considers appropriate. The Inspector General shall furnish reports of the audits to Congress and the Administrator.

"(3) The costs associated with the performance of an audit conducted in accordance with this section shall be paid from receipts in the Revolving Fund credited to the accounts of the Administrator.

"§ 307. Payments for printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, and publications production services

"(a) An agency of the Federal Government ordering printing, binding, blank paper, supplies, or other publications production services from the Government Publications

Office shall pay promptly by the most efficient means available, including electronic funds transfer, to the Administrator or the Administrator's designee, upon his written request, either in advance or upon completion of the work, all or part of the estimated or actual cost, as the case may be. Bills rendered by the Administrator, or the Administrator's designee, are not subject to audit or certification in advance of payment. Adjustments on the basis of the actual cost of delivered work paid for in advance shall be made monthly or quarterly and as may be agreed by the Administrator and the agency concerned.

"(b)(1) The Administrator shall present a bill or advice of payment to an agency for which the Government Publications Office has performed work no later than 90 days after work has been completed.

"(2) The agency shall pay the Government Publications Office with funds obligated during the fiscal year in which the order was placed.

"(3) For congressional orders which are in process 90 days before Congress adjourns, the Administrator will consult with the appropriate office to determine whether the work will be completed before Congress adjourns. The Administrator will bill for the cost of work completed for all jobs that are still in process on the date that Congress adjourns within 45 days after adjournment. The succeeding

Congress must submit requisitions to the Government Publications Office to authorize completion of any job ordered by the prior Congress.

"§ 308. Production and procurement authority

"(a) Purchases may be made by the Administrator without reference to the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, concerning purchases for the Federal Government.

"(b)(1) Publications production and procurement regulations administered by the Government Publications Office shall govern the production and procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title, by the Government Publications Office or by an agency under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator.

"(2) Any agency that intends to procure printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title through the Government Publications Office or for that agency under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator, shall cause a notice to be posted on a centralized notification system maintained by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services that is electronically accessible.

"(c) The Administrator may prescribe such regulations, policies, and directives, in accordance with section

301(c) of this title, not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, to carry out this section relating to the Government Publications Office.

"(d)(1) The Administrator may delegate and authorize successive redelegation of any production or procurement authority vested in the Administrator to any official in the Government Publications Office, or any official in any agency seeking authority for the procurement of services if the Government Publications Office is not able or suitably equipped to execute or as may be more economically or in the better interest of Government executed elsewhere. Such delegation or redelegation of production or procurement authority shall be in accordance with this chapter and chapter 19.

"(2)(A) No delegation, or redelegation, of authority under this section shall be granted by the Administrator until final regulations providing for the requirements of any such delegation, or redelegation, of authority are issued.

"(B) Regulations under subparagraph (A) shall require that—

"(i) an agency may not contract for the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blankbook work, as defined in section 501 of this title, of services with another agency or a private sector com-

mercial source unless that entity has been certified by the Administrator as having met the requirements of this title, including the notice requirement of chapters 5 and 19, and remains certified during the course of the procurement contract;

"(ii) the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs be a signatory to the procurement contract, or that the Superintendent otherwise certifies that a memorandum of understanding has been agreed to by the procuring agency establishing the requirements to be met for the Federal publications access program; and

"(iii) the requirements of subsection (b) shall be met.

"(3) All delegations of authority for the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title, shall be done in conformance to this chapter and chapters 5 and 19 of this title.

"(e)(1) Except as provided in subsections (f) and (g) and except in the case of procurement procedures otherwise expressly authorized by statute, the Administrator, in conducting a procurement for property or services, and an agency acting under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator—

"(A) shall obtain full and open competition through the use of competitive procedures in accordance with the requirements of this section; and

"(B) shall use the competitive procedure or combination of competitive procedures that is best suited under the circumstances of the procurement.

"(2) In determining the competitive procedures appropriate under the circumstances, the Administrator and an agency acting under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator—

"(A) shall solicit sealed bids if—

"(i) time permits the solicitation, submission, and evaluation of sealed bids;

"(ii) the award will be made on the basis of price and other price-related factors;

"(iii) it is not necessary to conduct discussions with the responding sources about their bids; and

"(iv) there is a reasonable expectation of receiving more than 1 sealed bid; and

"(B) shall request competitive proposals if sealed bids are inappropriate under subparagraph (A).

"(f) In addition to the authority otherwise provided by law, the Administrator, and any agency acting under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator,

may use procedures other than competitive procedures only if—

"(1) the property or services needed by the Government are available from only 1 responsible source and no other type of property or services will satisfy the needs of the Government;

"(2) the Government's need for the property or services is of such an unusual and compelling urgency that the Government would be seriously injured unless the Administrator is permitted to limit the number of sources from which the Government Publications Office solicits bids or proposals;

"(3) a statute expressly authorizes a specified source; or

"(4) the Administrator determines that it is necessary in the public interest to use procedures other than competitive procedures in the particular procurement concerned.

"(g)(1) In order to promote efficiency and economy in contracting and to avoid unnecessary burdens for the Government and contractors, the regulations issued, in accordance with this section, shall provide for special simplified procedures for small purchases of property and services by the Government Publications Office or any agency acting

under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator.

"(2) For the purposes of this section, a small purchase is a purchase or contract for an amount which does not exceed the small purchase threshold.

"(3) A proposed purchase or contract for an amount greater than the small purchase threshold may not be divided into several purchases or contracts for lesser amounts in order to use the small purchase procedures required under paragraph (1).

"(4) In using small purchase procedures, the Administrator and any agency acting under a delegation of authority granted by the Administrator, shall promote competition to the maximum extent practicable.

"(5) In this subsection, the term 'small purchase threshold' has the meaning given such term by regulations issued by the Administrator under subsection (c).

"§ 309. Machinery, material, equipment, or supplies from other Government agencies

"Agencies having machinery, material, equipment, or supplies for printing, binding, and blank-book work, including lithography, photolithography, xerography, and other processes of reproduction, no longer required or authorized for service, as determined by the head of the agency, shall provide a description of such material, equipment, or

supplies to the Administrator. The Administrator may requisition such articles as are serviceable in the Government Publications Office, and such articles shall be promptly delivered to the Government Publications Office.

"§ 310. Inks, glues, and other supplies furnished to other Government agencies: payment

"Inks, glues, and other supplies manufactured by the Government Publications Office in connection with its work may be furnished to departments and other establishments of the Government upon requisition, and payment made from appropriations available.

"§ 311. Branches of Government Publications Office: limitations

"Money appropriated by any Act may not be used for maintaining more than 1 branch of the Government Publications Office in any 1 building occupied by an executive department of the Government, and a branch of the Government Publications Office may not be established unless specifically authorized by law.

"§ 312. Detail of employees of Government Publications Office to other Government establishments

"An employee of the Government Publications Office may not be detailed to duties not pertaining to the work of the Government Publications Office in any office in the

legislative, executive, or judicial branches of Government unless expressly authorized by law.

"§ 313. Government Publications Office security

"(a) The Administrator, or delegate appointed by the Administrator, may designate employees of the Government Publications Office to serve as special policemen to protect persons and property in premises and adjacent areas occupied by or under the control of the Government Publications Office.

"(b) Under regulations to be prescribed by the Administrator, employees designated as special policemen are authorized to bear and use arms in the performance of their duties, make arrest for violations of laws of the United States, the several States, and the District of Columbia, and enforce the regulations of the Administrator, including the removal from Government Publications Office premises of individuals who violate such regulations.

"(c) The jurisdiction of special policemen in premises occupied by or under the control of the Government Publications Office and adjacent areas shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the respective law enforcement agencies where the premises are located.

"§ 314. Transfer of surplus property

"Notwithstanding title II of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 481 et seq.),

the Administrator may transfer or donate surplus and condemned Government Publications Office machinery, material, equipment, and supplies, and surplus Government publications to—

"(1) other Federal entities;

"(2) any organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code; or

"(3) State or local governments.

"§ 315. Sales of reproducibles

"The Administrator shall sell to persons who may apply, publication production reproducibles, regardless of form or format, from which a Government publication is produced at a price not to exceed the cost to the Government, as determined by the Administrator.

"§ 316. Use of Federal advisory committees

"(a) The Administrator may establish such advisory committees as the Administrator determines appropriate.

"(b)(1) All meetings of such advisory committee(s) shall be open to the public, except when the Administrator determines that the meeting or any portion of the meeting shall be closed to the public consistent with the provisions of section 552b(c) of title 5 and only after a ⅔ vote of the advisory committee(s).

"(2) All meetings of any advisory committee established by the Administrator shall be preceded by timely public notice in the Federal Register of the time, place, and subject of the meeting.

"(3) Minutes of each meeting shall be kept and shall contain a record of the people present and a description of the discussion that occurred. The minutes and records of all such meetings and other documents that were made available to or prepared for an advisory committee established by the Administrator shall be made publicly accessible, unless the Administrator determines that a record or any portion of such record, shall not be publicly disclosed, consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5 and only after a ⅔ vote of the advisory committee.".

(b)(1) GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE; ABOLISHED.—The Government Printing Office is hereby abolished and the authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective day of title II are hereby transferred to the Government Publications Office.

(2) The Government Printing Office is hereby reestablished as the Government Publications Office, as an independent entity in the Federal Government, independent of executive agencies.

(c)(1) Acts applicable to the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective date of this Act shall apply to the Government Publications Office. Any other acts that are generally applicable to executive agencies shall not apply to the Government Publications Office unless expressly made applicable by law.

(2) The Administrator shall adopt policies, procedures, and regulations, as necessary, to incorporate the following:

(A) Section 552a of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Privacy Act).

(B) The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (Public Law 103–62; 107 Stat. 285) (including the amendments made by such Act).

(C) The Government Management and Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–356; 108 Stat. 3410) (including the amendments made by such Act).

(D) Section 552b of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Government in Sunshine Act).

(E) The Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990 (Public Law 101–576; 104 Stat. 2838) (including the amendments made by such Act).

(F) Section 3332 of title 31, United States Code (relating to direct deposit).

(G) Section 3512 of title 31, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Federal Manager's Financial Integrity Act of 1982).

(H) Chapter 39 of title 31, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Prompt Payment Act).

(I) The Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 601 et seq.).

(J) Section 7351 of title 5, United States Code.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the effective date of this Act, the Administrator shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives on—

(1) the status of the Government Publications Office established under chapter 3 of title 44, United States Code;

(2) the expected developments in the Office; and

(3) specific recommendations for legislative proposals, as appropriate.

(e) TRANSFER.—All duties, authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Public Printer of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective date of this title shall be performed by the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, on and after such date.

(f) REFERENCES.—References in any other Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to—

(1) the Government Printing Office shall be deemed to refer to the Government Publications Office;

(2) the Public Printer shall be deemed to refer to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services or the Administrator, as appropriate;

(3) the Office of the Public Printer shall be deemed to refer to the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, or the Office of the Administrator, as appropriate;

(4) the Superintendent of Production Services shall be deemed a reference to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and

(5) the Superintendent of Access Programs shall be deemed a reference to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

(g) TRANSITION.—

(1) INCUMBENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The individual serving as the Public Printer on the effective date of this title may serve as Administrator, Government Publications Office, until the President appoints by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a successor Administrator.

(B) ADMINISTRATOR.—The individual serving as the Administrator pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall perform all duties and responsibilities of the Administrator, until the President appoints a successor Administrator in accordance with section 301 of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act.

(2) ASSETS AND PROPERTY.—Assets and real property under the control of, in use by, or assigned to the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the control of the Administrator on the effective date of this Act for the use of the Administrator and the Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for purposes of implementing this Act.

(3) PERSONNEL.—Personnel under the supervision of or assigned to the Public Printer on the day before the effective date of this Act shall be under the supervision or assigned to the Administrator, pursu-

ant to subsection (g) of title IV, on the effective date of this Act for purposes of implementing this Act.

(h) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 3 and inserting the following:

"3. Government Publications Office ..... 301".

TITLE III—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION PROCUREMENT SERVICES

SEC. 301. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 5 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 5—GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE; PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES

"Sec.
"501. Government Publications produced by or procured through the Government Publications Office.
"502. Government Publications Office; Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services: appointment; duties; and pay.
"503. Printing in veterans' hospitals.
"504. Regulations for procurement of Government publications production services.

"505. Time for printing documents or reports which include illustrations or maps.
"506. Orders for printing and publications production services to be acted upon within 1 year.
"507. Standards for papers used in Government publications.
"508. Annual plans for Government publications.

"§ 501. Government Publications produced by or procured through the Government Publications Office

"(a)(1) The Government Publications Office is authorized to produce or procure the production of Government publications, regardless of form or format, including Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, as requisitioned by Congress, Federal agencies and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and subject to subsection (b), the Government Publications Office shall be the only authorized agency of the Federal Government to provide printing, binding, and blank-book work for Congress, the Executive Office of the President, the judiciary (other than the Supreme Court of the United States), and every Executive department and independent establishment of the Government, except—

"(A) those publications created only for dissemination through an electronic communications system or network, provided that the requirements of chapter 19 are satisfied;

"(B) individual production orders by the executive branch costing not more than $1,000, if the work is not of a continuing or repetitive nature, and as certified by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services if the work is included in a class of work which cannot be provided more economically through the Government Publications Office, if the requirements of chapter 19 are satisfied;

"(C) the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work for the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Imagery and Mapping Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, the Defense Intelligence Agency, or the National Security Agency; and

"(D) the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, provided the requirements of chapter 19 of this title are fulfilled, for—

"(i) the appellate slip opinions of the United States Courts of Appeal and the United States Circuit Court; and

"(ii) the Bankruptcy Noticing Center.

"(3)(A) None of the funds appropriated for any fiscal year may be obligated or expended by any entity of the executive branch for the procurement of any printing related

to the production of Government publications (including printed forms), unless such procurement is by or through the Government Publications Office.

"(B) As used in this section, the term 'printing' includes the processes of composition, platemaking, presswork, duplicating, silk screen processes, binding, microform, and the end items of such processes.

"(C) The Administrator shall review this subsection to ensure that the definition of the term 'printing' is consistent with international and commercial standards. Further, the Administrator shall review, at intervals of not greater than 5 years, the definition of 'printing' to recommend revisions in the definition to reflect current technology.

"(b)(1) Under delegation of authority from the Administrator in accordance with section 308, an agency of the executive or judicial branch may produce or procure printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title for that agency, if the agency certifies to the Administrator that the agency is in full compliance with the requirements of this chapter, chapter 19, and the publications production and procurement services regulations administered by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.

"(2) The Administrator shall promptly notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and

Procurement Services and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of any decision to delegate authority under this section.

"(3) A delegation of authority to an agency under this section shall not be granted unless and until the Department of the Treasury has established a designated budget account for the agency in accordance with section 1906(a).

"(4) In determining a delegation of authority under this section, the Administrator shall take into account any prior determinations of noncompliance issued against an agency under section 1906.

"(c) No agency shall produce or procure printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title for another agency, except for those publications created only for dissemination through an electronic communications system or network, unless expressly authorized by law enacted after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998.

"(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no agency may participate in a partnership or alliance, public or private, to produce Government publications, or enter into a contract or cooperative agreement or similar contractual arrangement for the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title, or dissemination of a Government

publication, regardless of form or format, unless such action complies with chapter 19 and is approved in advance by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"§ 502. Government Publications Office; Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services: appointment; duties; and pay

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services (who may also be referred to as the 'Superintendent of Production Services') shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation, and solely on the basis of professional qualifications to perform the duties and responsibilities of the office.

"(c) An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term as Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Service.

"(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, under the direction of the Administrator, shall take all steps considered necessary to carry out the duties and powers of the office

and to remedy neglect, delay, duplication, or waste in the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title.

"(2) To the greatest extent feasible, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall operate the production and procurement services program on a self-sustaining basis.

"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall promptly notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of any contract for the production or procurement of production services of any Government publication so that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may meet the requirements of chapter 19.

"(e) The Administrator shall transfer to the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, such personnel within the Government Publications Office as the Administrator shall determine are required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services to perform the duties of this chapter.

"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be paid an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position

at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5.

"(g)(1) There shall be a Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, who shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.

"(2) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall perform—

"(A) all duties and responsibilities assigned by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; and

"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services in the event of—

"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services; or

"(ii) incapacity of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.

"(3) In the event of a vacancy under paragraph (2), the Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall serve until a

successor Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services is appointed and qualifies, but for no longer than 1 year after a vacancy occurs.

"(4) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall be paid at an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position on the Senior Executive Service under section 5316 of title 5.

"(h) For purposes of section 8147 of title 5, the activities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs are not considered activities that are required by statute to submit an annual budget pursuant to or as provided by chapter 91 of title 31.

"§ 503. Printing in veterans' hospitals

"(a) Notwithstanding section 501, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use the equipment described in subsection (b) for printing and binding that the Secretary finds advisable for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

"(b) The equipment referred to in subsection (a) is the printing and binding equipment that the various hospitals and homes of the Department of Veterans Affairs use for occupational therapy.

"§ 504. Regulations for procurement of Government publications production services

"(a) The Administrator shall promulgate and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall administer regulations governing the production and procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title through the Government Publications Office in accordance with chapters 3 and 19.

"(b)(1) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5 and the requirements of chapter 7 of title 5.

"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a 'major rule'.

"§ 505. Time for printing documents or reports which include illustrations or maps

"A document or report to be illustrated or accompanied by maps may not be printed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services until the illustrations or maps designed for it are ready for publication.

"§ 506. Orders for printing and publications production services to be acted upon within 1 year

"An order for production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title may not be acted upon by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services after the expiration of 1 year unless the entire copy and illustrations for the work have been furnished within that period.

"§ 507. Standards for papers used in Government publications

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall establish appropriate standards for printing and writing papers to be used in all Government printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title and may procure said papers under procedures established pursuant to section 308. Such standards are to detail the Government's minimum needs for each type and grade of paper in such a way as to allow the use of as many existing commercially available papers as practical, and to provide maximum economy to the public. These standards shall be published periodically and shall be known as the 'Government Paper Specification Standards'.

"§ 508. Annual plans for Government publications

"(a) On the date that the head of each agency submits an appropriation request under section 1108 of title 31 for preparation of the budget, the head of such agency shall submit a plan on the production or procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work, as defined in section 501 of this title, and the dissemination and accessibility of Government publications of the agency.

"(b) Plans required under this section shall be submitted as follows:

"(1) Agencies of the executive branch and independent establishments shall submit such plans and reports to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.

"(2) Agencies of the legislative branch shall submit such plans and reports to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.

"(3) Agencies of the judicial branch, except the Supreme Court, shall submit such plans and reports to the Director of the Administrative Office of the

United States Courts, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Government Publications Office.

"(c) Such plan shall not be in lieu of any requirements under chapter 35 of this title.".

(b) TRANSITION.—

(1) SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.—The individual serving as Administrator pursuant to subsection (f) of title II of this Act shall perform all duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services as provided in chapter 5, title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act, until a Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate under section 502.

(2) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this Act, the President shall appoint a Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services in accord-

ance with section 502, title 44, United States Code, as amended by this Act.

(c) REPORT AND 5-YEAR PLAN.—

(1) PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the effective date of this title, each agency shall submit a report that contains a plan, to be implemented during the 5-year period following such effective date, that—

(A) reduces the publications production capacity, if any, of the agency;

(B) sets annual dates, during such 5-year period, by which incremental stages of reductions of such capacity will be accomplished; and

(C) provides for publications production performed by the agency to be performed by non-Federal entities pursuant to contracts, in compliance with this Act, and with appropriate protections to ensure compliance with requirements of chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code, regarding dissemination and permanent accessibility of Government publications.

(2) COMPLIANCE.—On October 1 of each of the 5 fiscal years following the submission date of reports under paragraph (1), each agency shall submit a report on the compliance of the agency with the plan submitted under paragraph (1).

(3) SUBMISSION.—Reports under this subsection shall be submitted in accordance with section 508 of title 44, United States Code (as amended by this section).

(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 5 and inserting the following:

"5. Government Publications Office; Publications Production and Procurement Services ..... 501".

SEC. 302. PRODUCTION OF PUBLICATIONS AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES BY CONGRESS AND LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 7 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 7—PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES BY CONGRESS AND LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES

"Sec.
"701. 'Usual number' of bills, resolutions, documents, and reports; distribution of the House of Representatives and the Senate documents and reports; reports on private bills; number of copies printed; distribution.
"702. Style, form, and manner of publication.
"703. Printing extra copies.
"704. Reprinting bills, laws, and reports from committees.
"705. Duplicate orders to print.
"706. Bills and resolutions: style and form.
"707. Bills and resolutions: binding sets for Congress.
"708. Public and private laws and treaties.
"709. Copies of Acts furnished to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services.
"710. Printing Acts, joint resolutions, and treaties.

"711. Journals of the Houses of Congress.
"712. Printing documents for Congress in 2 or more editions.
"713. Printing of documents not provided by law.
"714. Appropriation chargeable for printing of document or report by order of Congress.
"715. Lapse of authority to print.
"716. Classification and numbering of publications ordered printed by Congress; designation of publications of departments; printing of committee hearings.
"717. Senate and House Manuals.
"718. Congressional Directory.
"719. Congressional Directory: sale.
"720. Memorial addresses: preparation; distribution.
"721. Statement of appropriations: 'usual number'.
"722. Printing for committees of Congress.
"723. Committee reports: indexing and binding.
"724. United States Statutes at Large: distribution.
"725. United States Statutes at Large: references in margins.
"726. Distribution of documents to Members of Congress.
"727. Allotments of public documents printed after expiration of terms of Members of Congress: rights of reelected and retiring Members to documents.
"728. Documents and reports ordered by Members of Congress: franks and envelopes for Members of Congress.
"729. Stationery and blank books for Congress.
"730. Binding for Members of Congress.
"731. Binding at expense of Members of Congress.
"732. Binding for Senate library and House of Representatives library.
"733. Distribution of Senate and House documents to Members.
"734. Publications stored at Capitol.
"735. Congressional printing and binding appropriations; authorization.

"§ 701. 'Usual number' of bills, resolutions, documents, and reports; distribution of the House of Representatives and the Senate documents and reports; reports on private bills; number of copies printed; distribution

"(a) The order by either House of Congress to print a bill, resolution, document, or report shall signify the 'usual number' of copies for binding and distribution among those entitled to receive them. A greater number may not be printed unless ordered by either House, or as pro-

vided by this section. When a special number of a document or report is ordered printed, the usual number shall also be printed, unless already ordered.

"(b) At the beginning of each Congress, the 'usual number' shall be jointly established by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, but in no case shall the usual number be less than 1 and the 'usual number' shall be sufficient to provide copies for binding and distribution as follows:

"(1) Of the House of Representatives bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, unbound—

"(A) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;

"(B) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;

"(C) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and

"(D) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.

"(2) Of the Senate bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, unbound—

"(A) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;

"(B) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;

"(C) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and

"(D) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.

"(c) Of the number printed, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall bind a sufficient number of copies for distributions as follows:

"(1) Of the House of Representatives bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, bound—

"(A) to the Senate Library;

"(B) to the library of the House of Representatives; and

"(C) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law, except those designated Federal publications access libraries which may prefer to have documents in unbound form, and have so notified the Super-

intendent of Government Publications Access Programs in writing prior to the convening of each Congress.

"(2) Of the Senate bills, resolutions, documents, and reports, bound—

"(A) to the Senate library;

"(B) to the library of the House of Representatives; and

"(C) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law, except those designated Federal publications access libraries entitled to documents that may prefer to have documents in unbound form, and have so notified the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in writing prior to the convening of each Congress.

"(d) Of Senate reports on private bills, concurrent or simple resolutions there shall be printed sufficient numbers of copies for distribution—

"(1) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;

"(2) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;

"(3) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and

"(4) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.

"(e) Of House of Representatives reports on private bills, concurrent or simple resolutions there shall be printed sufficient numbers of copies for distribution—

"(1) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;

"(2) to the office of the Secretary of the Senate;

"(3) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes; and

"(4) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.

"(f) Until the 'usual number' is established for a Congress under this section, the 'usual number' of publications, as established in the immediately preceding Congress, shall remain in effect.

"(g) This section does not prevent the binding of all Senate and House of Representatives reports in the reserve volumes bound for and delivered to the Senate and House of Representatives libraries, nor abridge the right of the Vice

President, Senators, Representatives, Resident Commissioner, Delegates, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House of Representatives to have casebound in a durable material not more expensive, 1 copy of every public document to which he may be entitled. Copies of each report on bills for payment or adjudication of claims against the Government shall be kept on file in the Senate document room.

"(h) Bills and resolutions shall be printed in bill form and shall be printed when referred to a committee, when reported back, when ordered by either House, and when ordered by the Secretary of the Senate under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate or by the Clerk of the House of Representative under the direction of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives.

"(i) Reports of committees shall be produced by requisition on the order of the originating committee, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall provide to the committee a voucher for the cost of the order. Provided, however, that preparation or presentation of the voucher shall not delay printing of the usual number of the report.

"§ 702. Style, form, and manner of publication

"(a)(1) PUBLICATIONS FOR SINGLE HOUSE.—At the beginning of each Congress, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the style, form, and manner of printing for any publication authorized by simple resolution under this title for their respective Houses.

"(2) JOINT PUBLICATIONS.—At the beginning of each Congress, the style, form, and manner of printing for any publication authorized by joint or concurrent resolution under this title shall be determined jointly by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives.

"(3) CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.—At the beginning of each Congress, the style, form, and manner of printing for the Congressional Record, all bills and other congressional publications shall be determined by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly.

"(b) CONTINUATION OF STYLE, FORM, AND MANNER.—Until the style, form, and manner of printing publications is established for a Congress under this section, the style, form, and manner of printing publications as established in the immediate previous Congress shall remain in effect.

"§ 703. Printing extra copies

"(a) Orders for printing copies in addition to the 'usual number' otherwise provided for by this section shall be by simple, concurrent, or joint resolution. Either House may print no more than 300 extra copies by simple resolution.

"(b) If the number exceeds that amount, the printing shall be ordered by concurrent resolution, unless the resolution is self-appropriating, when it shall be by joint resolution.

"(c) Resolutions, when presented to either House, shall be referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate or the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, who, in making their report, shall require of the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services the estimate of cost. Extra copies may not be printed before the committee has reported. The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall provide the committees a voucher for the total cost of the order.

"§ 704. Reprinting bills, laws, and reports from committees

"When the supply is exhausted, the Secretary of the Senate, under the direction of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, under the direction of the

Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives may order the reprinting of not more than 300 copies of a pending bill, resolution, or public law, or a report from a committee or congressional commission on pending legislation not accompanied by testimony or exhibits or other appendices.

"§ 705. Duplicate orders to print

"If the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services receives duplicate Senate and House of Representatives orders for printing, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall consult with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives to determine the appropriate order for printing.

"§ 706. Bills and resolutions: style and form

"Subject to sections 205 and 206 of title 1, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives may authorize the printing of a bill or resolution, with index and ancillaries, in the style and form such committees consider most suitable in the interest of economy and efficiency, and to so continue until final enactment in both Houses of Congress. The committees may also curtail the number of copies of bills or resolutions, including the slip

form of a public Act or public resolution, consistent with section 701.

"§ 707. Bills and resolutions: binding sets for Congress

"Three sets of Senate and House of Representatives bills and joint and concurrent resolutions of each Congress, 1 for the Senate and 2 for the House of Representatives, shall be bound by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services and kept by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives for reference.

"§ 708. Public and private laws and treaties

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall print in slip form copies of public and private laws, and treaties, to be paid from funds appropriated for congressional printing and binding. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall control the number and distribution of copies.

"§ 709. Copies of Acts furnished to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services

"The Archivist of the United States shall furnish to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services a copy of every Act and joint

resolution, as soon as possible after its approval by the President, or after it has become a law under the Constitution without his approval.

"§ 710. Printing Acts, joint resolutions, and treaties

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services on receiving from the Archivist of the United States a copy of an Act or joint resolution, or from the Secretary of State, a copy of a treaty, shall print an accurate copy and transmit it in duplicate to the Archivist of the United States or to the Secretary of State, as the case may be, for revision. On the return of 1 of the revised duplicates, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall make the marked corrections and print the number specified by section 707.

"§ 711. Journals of the Houses of Congress

"There shall be printed of the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives such copies as determined by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives at the beginning of each Congress for distribution to—

"(1) the Senate document room for distribution to Senators;

"(2) the Senate library;

"(3) the office of the Secretary of the Senate;

"(4) the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to Members and for other purposes;

"(5) the library of the House of Representatives; and

"(6) fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law.

"§ 712. Printing documents for Congress in 2 or more editions

"The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall establish rules by which public documents and reports printed for Congress, or either House, may be printed in 2 or more editions, to meet public requirements.

"§ 713. Printing of documents not provided by law

"Either House may order the printing of a document not already provided for by law, when accompanied by an estimate from the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services as to the probable cost. An agency of the executive or judicial branch of the Government submitting reports or documents in response to inquiries from Congress shall include an estimate of the probable cost of printing the documents in the usual number.

"§ 714. Appropriation chargeable for printing of document or report by order of Congress

"The cost of printing of a document or report printed by order of Congress, which, under section 1107, cannot be properly charged to another appropriation or allotment of appropriation already made, upon order of Congress, shall be charged to the allotment of appropriation for printing and binding for Congress.

"§ 715. Lapse of authority to print

"The authority to print a document or report, or a publication authorized by law to be printed, for distribution by Congress, shall lapse within 2 years after the date of the original order, except orders for subsequent editions, approved by Congress.

"§ 716. Classification and numbering of publications ordered printed by Congress; designation of publications of departments; printing of committee hearings

"(a) Publications ordered by Congress, or either House, regardless of form or format, shall be in 4 series that shall include—

"(1) a series of reports made by the committees of the Senate, to be known as Senate reports;

"(2) a series of reports made by the committees of the House of Representatives, to be known as House reports;

"(3) a series of documents other than reports of committees, the orders for printing which originate in the Senate, to be known as Senate documents; and

"(4) a series of documents other than committee reports, the orders for printing which originate in the House of Representatives, to be known as House documents.

"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives are jointly responsible for compilation and distribution of the bound United States congressional serial set which shall be numbered consecutively from the first Congress onward and shall include the reports and documents of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

"(c)(1)(A) The publications in each series shall be consecutively numbered, the numbers in each series continuing in unbroken sequence throughout the entire term of a Congress, but these provisions do not apply to the documents published for the use of the Senate in executive session.

"(B) Such serial sets shall be made available as provided under chapter 19 for distribution and permanent public access by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(C) The copies of annual or serial publications originating in or prepared by an executive department, bureau, office, commission, or board which are intended for distribution to designated Federal publications access libraries may not be numbered in the document or report series of either House of Congress, but shall be designated by title, bound, and made available as provided under chapter 19, and the departmental edition, if any, shall be printed concurrently.

"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall supply the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with sufficient copies of publications distributed in unbound form, to be bound and distributed to the designated Federal publications access libraries for their permanent files. Every publication of sufficient size on any 1 subject shall be bound separately and receive the title suggested by the subject of the volume, and the others shall be distributed in unbound form as soon as printed. The library edition, as well as all other bound sets of congressional numbered documents and reports, shall be arranged in volumes and bound in the manner directed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly.

"(c) Hearings of committees may be printed as congressional documents only when specifically ordered by Congress or by either House.

"§ 717. Senate and House Manuals

"Each House may order printed as many copies as that House desires, of the Senate Manual and of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives.

"§ 718. Congressional Directory

"(a) There shall be prepared under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a Congressional Directory, which shall be printed and distributed as early as practicable during the first session of each Congress.

"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall control content, the number and distribution of the Congressional Directory, and shall determine the manner in which 1 copy of the Congressional Directory shall be bound for distribution to each Member of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

"(c) The directory also shall be maintained in electronic format and accessible to the public through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs

on-line service. The directory shall be updated at least quarterly, and the date of revision shall be noted.

"§ 719. Congressional Directory: sale

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may offer copies of the current Congressional Directory for sale at a price sufficient to reimburse the costs of printing consistent with section 1709. Revenue derived from the sales shall be deposited to the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office to offset the cost of the Publications sales program.

"§ 720. Memorial addresses: preparation; distribution

"(a) After the final adjournment of Congress, there shall be compiled and bound in cloth in 1 volume the exercises at the general memorial services held in either House during each session relative to the death of a Member of Congress or Senator, a former Member of Congress who served as Speaker, together with all relevant memorial addresses and eulogies published in the Congressional Record during the same session of Congress, and any other matter the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate considers relevant to a Senator or any other matter the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives considers relevant to a Member of Congress or former

Member of Congress who served as Speaker; and there shall be printed—

"(1) 50 copies delivered to the family of the deceased;

"(2) 100 copies for the successor in office of a deceased Senator, Representative, Resident Commissioner or Delegate; and

"(3) 2 copies each to the libraries of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively.

"§ 721. Statement of appropriations: 'usual number'

"Of the statements of appropriations required to be prepared under the Act of October 19, 1888 (2 U.S.C. 105), there shall be printed, after the close of each regular session of Congress, the usual number, as provided by section 701.

"§ 722. Printing for committees of Congress

"A committee of Congress may not procure the printing of more than 300 copies of a hearing, or other document germane thereto, for its use except by simple, concurrent, or joint resolution, as provided by section 702.

"§ 723. Committee reports: indexing and binding

"The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall procure and file for the use of their respective Houses copies of all reports made by committees, and at the close of each session of Congress shall have the reports indexed and bound, 1 copy to be deposited

in the library of each House and 1 copy in the committee from which the report emanates.

"§ 724. United States Statutes at Large: distribution

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, after the final adjournment of each regular session of Congress, shall print and bind copies of the United States Statutes at Large, to be charged to the congressional allotment for printing and binding. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall control the number and distribution of the copies. Senators and Representatives who request in writing in advance of its publication shall receive copies of such document.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall print and, after the end of each calendar year, bind and deliver to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs a number of copies of the United States Treaties and Other International Agreements not exceeding the number of copies of the United States Statutes at Large required for distribution in the manner provided by chapter 19 of this title.

"§ 725. United States Statutes at Large: references in margins

"The Archivist of the United States shall include in the references in margins of the United States Statutes at Large the number of the bill or joint resolution (designating S. for Senate bill, H.R. for House bill, S.J. Res. for Senate joint resolution and H.J. Res. for House joint resolution, as the case may be) under which each Act was approved and became a law, the reference in the margins to be placed within brackets immediately under the date of the approval of the Act at the beginning of each Act as printed beginning with volume 32 of the United States Statutes at Large.

"§ 726. Distribution of documents to Members of Congress

"Unless provided elsewhere in law, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the quantity and distribution of documents to the Members, committees, and offices of their respective Houses.

"§ 727. Allotments of public documents printed after expiration of terms of Members of Congress: rights of reelected and retiring Members to documents

"(a) The congressional allotment of Government publications, other than the Congressional Record, printed after the expiration of the term of office of the Vice President

of the United States, or Senator, Representative, or Resident Commissioner, shall be delivered to his successor in office, unless such individual takes the documents prior to the 30th day of June next following the date of expiration.

"(b) Reelected and retiring Members may distribute public documents to their credit, or the credit of their respective districts during their successive terms, until their rights to frank documents ends.

"(c) Unless provided elsewhere in law, the disposition of Government publications allotted and distributed to Members during their terms of office shall be governed by rules established by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives for their respective Houses.

"§ 728. Documents and reports ordered by Members of Congress: franks and envelopes for Members of Congress

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services, on order of a Member of Congress and prepayment of the cost, may reprint documents and reports of committees together with the evidence papers submitted, or any part ordered printed by Congress.

"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall establish for their respective Houses rules governing the style, content, quantity, printing, distribution, and method of payment to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for franks printed on sheets and perforated, or singly, and envelopes used for mailing public documents. Franks may also contain information relating to missing children as provided in section 3220 of title 39.

"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall deposit moneys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.

"§ 729. Stationery and blank books for Congress

"(a) Upon requisition of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, respectively, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall furnish stationery, blank books, tables, forms, and other necessary papers preparatory to congressional legislation, required for the official use of the Senate and the House of Representatives, or their committees and officers.

"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the

House of Representatives shall establish for their respective Houses rules governing the method of payment to the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for such papers.

"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall deposit moneys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.

"(d) This section does not prevent the purchase by the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of stationery and blank books necessary for sale to Senators and Members in the stationery rooms of the 2 Houses as provided by law.

"§ 730. Binding for Members of Congress

"The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall establish rules regarding the binding needs of their respective Members.

"§ 731. Binding at expense of Members of Congress

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services may bind at the Government Publications Office books, maps, charts, or documents published by authority of Congress upon application of a Member of Congress, and payment of the actual cost of binding. The Superintendent of Government Publications Pro-

duction and Procurement Services shall deposit moneys accruing under this section to the Government Publications Office Revolving Fund as provided in section 502.

"§ 732. Binding for Senate library and House of Representatives library

"The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives may make requisition upon the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services for the binding of books for the library of their respective Houses, subject to the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively.

"§ 733. Distribution of Senate and House documents to Members

"The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, shall determine appropriate mechanisms for the distribution of congressional documents to the Members of each House.

"§ 734. Publications stored at Capitol

"(a) The Secretary and Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Clerk and Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, at the convening in regular session of each successive Congress, shall cause an inventory to be made of

Government publications stored in and about the Capitol, other than those in the allotment of Members of Congress, in the Library of Congress and the Senate and House libraries and document rooms.

"(b) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall determine the disposition of this inventory, save 4 copies of leather-bound publications which shall be reserved and carefully stored, to be used in supplying deficiencies in the Senate and House libraries caused by wear or loss.

"§ 735. Congressional printing and binding appropriation; authorization

"Such sums are authorized to be appropriated as may be necessary.".

(b) FEASIBILITY REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the effective date of this Act, the General Accounting Office on behalf of the Administrator of the Government Publications Office shall submit to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility of legislative branch agencies procuring printing and publications services directly from nongovernmental sources

under a delegation of authority from the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, if such agencies certify to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services full compliance with the requirements of chapters 5 and 19 of title 44, United States Code.

(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under this section shall include—

(A) an analysis of the impact of allowing legislative branch agencies to procure directly from nongovernmental sources, on the procedures and precedents of each House of Congress and on the integrity of congressional publications;

(B) a study of the impact on the ability of the Government Publications Office to continue to function as a central procurement agency for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches (exclusive of the Supreme Court) of Government; and

(C) recommendations for the assurance of information security, convenience, quality, economy, and efficiency in the procurement of printing services for all legislative branch agencies.

(c) SERIAL SET FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 24 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, in consultation with the Federal Publications Access Library Council, and others, shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives a report with recommendations on the feasibility of producing, disseminating, and maintaining permanent public access to the serial sets described under section 716 as publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.

(d) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 7 and inserting the following:

"7. Production of Publications and Procurement of Publications Services by Congress and Legislative Agencies ..... 701".

SEC. 303. CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Chapter 9 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 9—CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

"Sec.
"901. Congressional Record: arrangement, style, contents, and indexes.
"902. Congressional Record: indexes.
"903. Congressional Record: daily and permanent forms.
"904. Congressional Record: maps; diagrams; illustrations.
"905. Congressional Record: additional insertions.
"906. Congressional Record: gratuitous copies; delivery.

"907. Congressional Record: extracts for Members of Congress; mailing envelopes.
"908. Congressional Record: payment for printing extracts or other documents.
"909. Congressional Record: subscriptions; sale of current, individual numbers, and bound sets; postage rate.

"§ 901. Congressional Record: arrangement, style, contents, and indexes

"(a) The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall control the arrangement and style of the Congressional Record, and while providing that it shall be substantially a verbatim report of proceedings, shall take all needed action for the reduction of its size.

"(b) An index of the Congressional Record shall be published semimonthly during and at the close of sessions of Congress.

"§ 902. Congressional Record: indexes

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall prepare the semimonthly and the session index to the Congressional Record. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall direct the form and manner of its publication and distribution.

"(b) Those persons employed in the Congressional Record Index Office on the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall be employees of the

Government Publications Office subject to the provisions of this title governing selection, appointments, employment in the Government Publications Office, and any regulations thereunder.

"§ 903. Congressional Record: daily and permanent forms

"The public proceedings of each House of Congress as reported by the Official Reporters, shall be published in the Congressional Record, which shall be issued daily during each session and shall be revised, printed, and bound in permanent form subject to section 714 of this title. The daily and the permanent Record shall bear the same date, which shall be that of the actual day's proceedings reported. The 'usual number' of the Congressional Record may not be printed.

"§ 904. Congressional Record: maps; diagrams; illustrations

"Maps, diagrams, or illustrations may not be inserted in the Congressional Record without the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, for their respective Houses.

"§ 905. Congressional Record: additional insertions

"The Secretary of the Senate, acting under the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the

Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, acting under the direction of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, shall cause to be published in the daily Record the legislative program for the day together with a list of congressional committee meetings and hearings and the place of meeting and subject matter. Such committees shall cause a brief resume of congressional activities for the previous day to be incorporated in the Record, together with an index of its contents prepared under the supervision of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, respectively.

"§ 906. Congressional Record: gratuitous copies; delivery

"(a) At the direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, jointly, the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall furnish the Congressional Record as follows:

"(1) Of the bound edition—

"(A) not more than 1 copy to the Vice President;

"(B) not more than 1 copy to those Senators and Members of Congress who so request in writing prior to its publication;

"(C) not more than 1 copy each to the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, if so requested in writing prior to its publication;

"(D) not more than 1 copy each to the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the House Sergeant at Arms;

"(E) not more than 2 copies each to the libraries of the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively;

"(F) a number, to be determined and held by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, for the use by each House, respectively;

"(G) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law;

"(H) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine; and

"(I) not more than 1 copy each to the Congressional Research Service and the Law Library of the Library of Congress.

"(2) Of the daily edition—

"(A) in such numbers as shall be determined at the beginning of each Congress by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly—

"(i) to the Vice President;

"(ii) to the Senate document room for distribution to each Senator, committees, and for other purposes;

"(iii) to the offices of the Secretary of the Senate and Senate Sergeant at Arms;

"(iv) to the Clerk of the House of Representatives for distribution to each Member of the House of Representatives, committees, and for other purposes and to the House Sergeant at Arms; and

"(v) to fulfill standing orders and such other requirements authorized by law;

"(B) to the Vice President and each Senator and Representative in Congress (nontransferable) 2 copies of which 1 shall be delivered at his office, and 1 at the Capitol; and

"(C) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent

of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine.

"(b) In addition to the foregoing, the Congressional Record and the semimonthly index shall also be furnished in such numbers as shall be determined at the beginning of each Congress by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, but in no case shall the usual number be less than 1 and the usual number shall be sufficient to provide copies for distribution to—

"(1) the President;

"(2) Committees and Commissions of Congress;

"(3) the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court;

"(4) the Marshal and Clerk of the Supreme Court;

"(5) the United States circuit and district courts and their respective libraries;

"(6) the Tax Court of the United States and its library;

"(7) the Court of Veterans Appeals and its library;

"(8) the Office of the Congressional Record Index;

"(9) the Chaplain of the Senate;

"(10) the Postmaster of the Senate;

"(11) the Secretaries to the Majority and Minority of the Senate;

"(12) the Office of the Parliamentarian of the Senate;

"(13) the Office of the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives;

"(14) the offices of the Official Reporters of Debate of the Senate;

"(15) the offices of the Official Reporters of Debate of the House of Representatives;

"(16) the office of the stenographers to committees of the House of Representatives;

"(17) the offices of the superintendents of the Senate and the House of Representatives Press Galleries;

"(18) the offices of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate and the House of Representatives;

"(19) the Architect of the Capitol;

"(20) the libraries of the Senate and the House of Representatives;

"(21) the library of the Supreme Court;

"(22) the library of the United States Court of Federal Claims;

"(23) the library of the United States Court of International Trade;

"(24) the Superintendent of Government Publications and Procurement Services, for official use;

"(25) the Botanic Garden;

"(26) the Archivist of the United States;

"(27) the library of each Executive department and independent establishment of the Government of the District of Columbia (except those designated as Federal publications access libraries) and the libraries of the municipal government of the District of Columbia;

"(28) the Smithsonian Institution;

"(29) the Naval Observatory;

"(30) the Governors of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands;

"(31) former Presidents and former Vice Presidents of the United States;

"(32) to each former Senator and Representative and Resident Commissioner, upon written request;

"(33) to the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives;

"(34) the Governor of each State;

"(35) each of the separate establishments of the Armed Services Retirement Homes, the National Homes for Disabled Veterans, and the State Soldiers Homes;

"(36) the Federal Publications Access Libraries, in such numbers as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall determine;

"(37) the Department of State for United States Embassies and Consular offices;

"(38) foreign legations in Washington, District of Columbia, whose governments extend a like courtesy to embassies and legations of the United States abroad;

"(39) each accredited newspaper correspondent whose name appears in the Congressional Directory;

"(40) the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces and its library;

"(41) the Library of Congress; and

"(42) the United States Customs Court and its library.

"(c) Copies of the daily edition, unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, jointly, shall be supplied and delivered promptly on the day after the actual day's proceed-

ings as originally published. Each order for the daily Record shall begin with the current issue, if previous issues of the same session are not available. The apportionment specified by the committees jointly for daily copies may not be transferred for the bound form and an allotment of daily copies not used by a Member during a session shall lapse when the session ends.

"§ 907. Congressional Record: extracts for Members of Congress; mailing envelopes

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services may print and deliver, upon the order of a Member of Congress and payment of the cost, extracts from the Congressional Record. Provision of envelopes for the mailing of such extracts shall be governed by sections 727 and 728.

"§ 908. Congressional Record: payment for printing extracts or other documents

"If a Member or Resident Commissioner fails to pay the cost of printing extracts from the Congressional Record or other Government publications ordered by him to be printed, the Administrator shall certify the amount due to the Financial Clerk of the Senate or the Chief Accounting Officer of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, who shall deduct from the Member's office account the delinquent amount, and pay the amount so obtained to the Ad-

ministrator, to be applied by the Administrator to the satisfaction of the indebtedness.

"§ 909. Congressional Record: subscriptions; sale of current, individual numbers, and bound sets; postage rate

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may sell—

"(1) subscriptions to the Congressional Record; and

"(2) current, individual numbers, and bound sets.

"(b) The price of the subscription shall be determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and shall be sufficient to cover the cost of publishing and distributing the Congressional Record in accordance with section 1709. Such price shall be paid in advance and the receipts from any such sale shall be deposited into the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.

"(c) The Congressional Record shall be entitled to be mailed at the same rates of postage at which any newspaper or other periodical publication, with a legitimate list of paid subscribers, is entitled to be mailed.".

SEC. 304. PRODUCTION OF PUBLICATIONS AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS SERVICES; LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT.

(a) APPROVAL OF PRINTING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS.—Section 1108 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking ", subject to regulations by the Joint Committee on Printing,".

(b) ORDERING OF DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTIVE AGENCY USE.—Section 1110 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the last sentence and inserting the following: "Publications ordered under this section shall be paid in advance and the receipts from any such sale shall be deposited into the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.".

(c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1112 of title 44, United States Code is repealed.

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 11 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 1112.

(d) ANNUAL REPORTS: NUMBER OF COPIES FOR CONGRESS.—Section 1114 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 1114. Annual reports: number of copies for Congress

"At the beginning of each Congress, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, shall establish the number of annual reports of the departments to Congress to be printed for the use of each House.".

(e) PAPER AND ENVELOPES.—Section 1121 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ", under direction of the Joint Committee on Printing,";

(2) by striking "sections 509–516 of this title" and inserting "section 507"; and

(3) by striking "the District of Columbia" and inserting "the national capital region, as defined by section 1 of the Act of June 6, 1924 (40 U.S.C. 71)".

(f) REFERENCES TO SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES.—Chapter 11 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "Public Printer" each place it appears and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services"; and

(2) in section 1108, by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services".

SEC. 305. PARTICULAR GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 13 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed, except for section 1307.

(b) TABLE OF CHAPTERS.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 13.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall become effective 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 306. COSTS OF PRODUCING REGULATORY PUBLICATIONS.

Section 1509 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 1509. Cost of publication, etc.

"(a) The cost of printing, reprinting, wrapping, binding, and distributing the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations, and, except as provided in subsection (b), other expenses incurred by the Government Publications Office in carrying out the duties placed upon it by this chapter shall be charged to the Revolving Fund provided in section 306. Reimbursements for such costs and expenses

shall be made by the Federal agencies and credited, together with all receipts, as provided in section 306.

"(b) The cost of producing, reproducing, and distributing all other publications of the Federal Register program, and other expenses incurred in connection with such publications, shall be paid by the Archivist of the United States from appropriations authorized by Congress for purposes of this section.".

SEC. 307. PUBLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 411 of title 28, United States Code is amended to read as follows:

"§411. Supreme Court reports; printing, binding, and distribution

"(a) The decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States shall be published and distributed in a manner and format determined by the Supreme Court as soon as practicable after rendition, and charged to the proper appropriation for the judiciary.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall procure such copies of the publications of the Supreme Court in accordance with chapters 17 and 19 of title 44 and the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998.".

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 412 of title 28, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking "Public Printer" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services"; and

(B) by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".

(2) Section 676(b) of title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking "Public Printer and the Superintendent of Public Documents" and inserting "Administrator of the Government Publications Office and the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".

SEC. 308. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS EXEMPTING STATUTORY PUBLICATIONS PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) Section 3(a)(6) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended to read as follows:

"(6) Payment of expenses for necessary printing and binding.".

(2) Section 4 of the Act of August 31, 1922 (7 U.S.C. 285) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code,".

(3) Section 101(f) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 431) is amended by striking "without regard to existing laws applicable to public printing".

(4) Section 3(h) of the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1642(h)) is amended by striking "for printing and binding," and inserting "for printing and binding, subject to the provisions of title 44, United States Code,".

(5) Section 2(a)(1) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 (12 U.S.C. 635(a)(1)) is amended by striking "without regard to the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, whenever the Bank determines that publication in accordance with the provisions of such section would not be practicable".

(6) Section 1 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1702) is amended in the third sentence by striking ", printing, and binding".

(7) The Act entitled "An Act to extend the time for purchase and distribution of surplus agricultural commodities for relief purposes and to continue the

Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation", approved June 28, 1937 (15 U.S.C. 713c) is amended in the first proviso by striking ", including rent, printing and binding," and inserting "(except printing and binding) including rent".

(8) Section 201(e)(1) of the Export Administration Amendments Act of 1985 (15 U.S.C. 4051(e)(1)) is amended by striking "Notwithstanding the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, and consistent" and inserting "Consistent".

(9) Section 12 of the Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 (16 U.S.C. 961) is amended by striking clause (c) and redesignating clauses (d) and (e) as clauses (c) and (d), respectively.

(10) Section 2(b)(2) of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a National Fisheries Center and Aquarium in the District of Columbia and to provide for its operation", approved October 9, 1992 (16 U.S.C. 1052(b)(2)) is amended by striking "all or any of which may be reproduced by any printing or other process without regard to existing regulations,".

(11) Section 5(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.

954(c)) is amended by striking the first sentence following clause (10).

(12) Section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 956(c)) is amended by striking the first sentence following clause (10).

(13) Section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with the Government of Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-in-mouth disease and rinderpest", approved February 28, 1947 (21 U.S.C. 114c) is amended by striking "without regard to section 87 of the Act of January 12, 1895, or section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (U.S.C. title 44, sec. 111).".

(14) Section 2(b)(1) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for acceptance by the United States of America of the Constitution of the International Labor Organization Instrument of Amendment, and further authorizing an appropriation for payment of the United States share of the expenses of membership and for expenses of participation by the United States", approved June 30, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 272a(b)(1)) is amended by striking "printing and binding without regard to section 11

of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended".

(15) Section 2(b) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for membership and participation in the Caribbean Commission and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved March 4, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 280i(d)) is amended by striking "printing and binding without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;".

(16) Section 2(b) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for participation by the Government of the United States in the Pan American Railway Congress, and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved June 28, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 280k(b)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code, and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5);".

(17) Section 8 of the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 (22 U.S.C. 287e) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1949 (44 U.S.C. 111);".

(18) Section 6(k) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for membership and par-

ticipation by the United States in the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved July 30, 1946 (22 U.S.C. 287r(k)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (U.S.C., title 44, sec. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (U.S.C. title 41, sec. 5);".

(19) Section 3(b)(1) of the joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution providing for membership and participation by the United States in the World Health Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor", approved June 14, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 290b(b)(1)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111), and section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;".

(20) Section 401(w) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1969 (22 U.S.C. 290f(w)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".

(21) Section 801(4) of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 (22 U.S.C. 1471(4)) is amended by striking ", without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".

(22) Section 5 of the International Atomic Energy Agency Participation Act of 1957 (22 U.S.C. 2024) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111);".

(23) Section 636(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2396(b)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law".

(24) Section 15(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2514(a)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law".

(25) Section 48 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2588) is amended by striking "without regard to the provisions of section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111);".

(26) Section 5(a)(1) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962 (22 U.S.C. 2605(a)(1)) is amended by striking "without regard to provisions of any other law,".

(27) Section 2(a) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2669(a)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1919 (44 U.S.C. 111)".

(28) Section 23 of the Act of June 25, 1910 (25 U.S.C. 47; 33 Stat. 861) is amended by striking "(including, but not limited to printing, notwithstanding

any other law)" and inserting "(including printing)".

(29) Section 204(d)(3) of the Marine Resources and Engineering Development Act of 1966 (33 U.S.C. 1123(d)(3)) is amended by striking ", without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".

(30) Section 405(c)(4) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 284(c)(4)) is amended by striking "without regard to section 501 of title 44, United States Code".

(31) Section 11(g) of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950 (42 U.S.C. 1870(g)) is amended by striking ", without regard to the provisions of section 87 of the Act of January 12, 1895 (28 Stat. 622), and section 11 for the Act of March 1, 1919 (40 Stat. 1270; 44 U.S.C., sec. 111)".

(32) Section 9(k) of the Lower Mississippi Delta Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3121 note; Public Law 100–460; 102 Stat. 2246) is amended by striking ", notwithstanding any other provision of law".

(33) Section 11(c) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. 361(c)) is amended by striking "printing and binding;".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 309. ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO CONGRESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS.

(a) PRINTING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 107 of title 1, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 107. Printing of enrolled bills and resolutions

"Enrolled bills and resolutions of either House of Congress shall be printed in accordance with rules established by the respective Houses of Congress.".

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 107 and inserting the following:

"107. Printing of enrolled bills and resolutions.".

(b) CODE OF LAWS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Sections 211, 212, and 213 of title 1, United States Code, are repealed.

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by striking the items relating to sections 211, 212, and 213.

(c) PRECEDENTS.—The joint resolution entitled "A joint resolution to provide for the printing and distribution of the Precedents of the House of Representatives compiled

and prepared by Lewis Deschler", approved October 18, 1976 (2 U.S.C. 28b, 28c, 28d, and 28e) is repealed.

(d) CONSTITUTION ANNOTATED.—The first section of the joint resolution of December 24, 1970 (2 U.S.C. 168; Public Law 91–589; 84 Stat. 1586) is amended to read as follows: "That (a) The Director of the Congressional Research Service shall have prepared—

"(1) every 10 years, a hardbound revised edition of the Constitution of the United States of America—Analysis and Interpretation (hereafter referred to as the 'Constitution Annotated');

"(2) every 2 years in the interim period between decennial editions, cumulative supplements to the most recent hardbound decennial revised edition of the Constitution Annotated, which shall contain cumulative analysis of decisions rendered by the Supreme Court after the period covered by the last hardbound decennial revised edition; and

"(3) an electronic version of the Constitution Annotated, to be updated regularly.

"(b) The edition of the Constitution Annotated first prepared after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall contain analysis and interpretation of decisions rendered by the Supreme Court of the United States through the end of its October 2001 term, con-

struing provisions of the Constitution. Subsequent decennial revised editions will revise and update analysis to cover constitutional law developments during the then-most-recent 10 terms of the Supreme Court.".

(e) OFFICIAL TERRITORIAL PAPERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 145 of title 4, United States Code, is repealed.

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

*(A) REDESIGNATION.—Section 146 of title 4, United States Code, is amended in the section heading by striking "**§ 146.**" and inserting "**§ 145.**".*

(B) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections for chapter 5 of title 4, United States Code, is amended by striking the items relating to sections 145 and 146 and inserting the following:

"145. Authorization of appropriations.".

TITLE IV—OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS

SEC. 401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Federal Publications Dissemination Act of 1998".

SEC. 402. FEDERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 19—FEDERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS

"Sec.
"1901. Purpose.
"1902. Definitions.
"1903. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.
"1904. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications; Superintendent responsibilities and authorities.
"1905. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: agency responsibilities and authorities.
"1906. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: executive branch.
"1906a. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: legislative branch.
"1906b. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: judicial branch.
"1907. Permanent Public Access to Government publications.
"1908. Designation of Federal publications access libraries.
"1909. Regional Federal publications access libraries.
"1910. Federal publications access libraries: responsibilities.
"1911. Federal publications access libraries council.

"§ 1901. Purpose

"The purposes of this chapter are to—

"(1) broaden, strengthen, and enhance public access to all Government publications regardless of form or format through Federal Publications Access Programs; and

"(2) provide permanent public access to and ensure the authenticity of Government publications regardless of form or format.

"§ 1902. Definitions

"In this chapter—

"(1) the term 'agency' means—

"(A) an executive department, government corporation, government-controlled corporation, or other establishment in the executive branch of the Government, including—

"(i) the Executive Office of the President; and

"(ii) any independent regulatory agency; and

"(B) an establishment or component of the legislative branch as determined by the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, or judicial branch of the Government;

"(2) the term 'Federal publications access library' means a library designated under section 1908 to participate in the Federal Publications Access Programs; and

"(3) the term 'Government publication'—

"(A) means any information product or other discrete set of Government information, regardless of form or format, that—

"(i) is created or compiled—

"(I) by the Government;

"(II) at Government expense in whole or in part; or

"(III) as required by law; and

"(ii) an agency discloses, disseminates, or makes available to the public; and

"(B) shall not include information that—

"(i) is required for official use only or is for strictly internal administrative or operational purposes having no public interest or educational value;

"(ii) is classified for reasons of national security; or

"(iii) in the case of an agency within the judicial branch, orders, notices, or documents filed by litigants.

"§ 1903. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs

"(a)(1) The President shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs (who may also be referred to as the 'Superintendent of Access Programs').

"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation, and solely on the basis of professional quali-

fications to perform the duties and responsibilities of the office.

"(3) An individual may be appointed to more than 1 term as Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall serve under the direction of the Administrator and shall take charge of and manage the Federal Publications Access Programs including but not limited to the Federal publications access library program as provided in chapter 19, the Federal publications sales program as provided in chapter 17, and GPO ACCESS, as provided in chapter 41.

"(c)(1) In consultation with the Administrator of the Government Publications Office, the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may issue regulations, consistent with this title, that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs considers necessary to carry out the duties and powers of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to enhance the dissemination of Government publications, and to expand and improve

the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications.

"(2) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the requirements of section 553 and section 556 of title 5, and the requirements of chapter 7 of title 5.

"(3) All such regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, and notwithstanding section 804(2), all such regulations promulgated shall be treated as a 'major rule'.

"(d) The annual rate of pay for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be a rate equal to the rate payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5.

"(e)(1) There shall be a Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, who shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(2) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall perform—

"(A) all the duties and responsibilities assigned by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and

"(B) the duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs in the event of—

"(i) a vacancy in the office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; or

"(ii) incapacity of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(3) In the event of a vacancy under paragraph (2), the Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall serve until a successor Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs is appointed and qualified, but for no longer than 1 year after a vacancy occurs.

"(4) The Deputy Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be paid at an annual rate of pay equal to the rate payable for a position on the Senior Executive Service Schedule under section 5316 of title 5.

"(f)(1) There shall be established within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office under section 306, an account, or accounts, under the authority of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to be available without fiscal year limitation for the operation of the Federal Publications Access Programs, including—

"(A) rental of buildings;

"(B) attendance at meetings;

"(C) employee training;

"(D) purchase, maintenance, and operation of required equipment, supplies, and contracts; and

"(E) salaries and expenses of program employees.

"(2) The fund shall be reimbursed and the account, or accounts, of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be credited—

"(A) for the cost of all services and supplies furnished, including those furnished by other appropriations of the Federal Publications Access Programs; and

"(B) with all receipts including sales of Government publications, waste, condemned and surplus property, with payments received for losses or damage to property, and with funds retrieved from agencies for the procurement of or access to publications not compliant with this title.

"(3)(A) An adequate system of accounts for the fund shall be maintained on the accrual method, and financial reports prepared on the basis of accepted accounting standards in accordance with section 306.

"(B) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall prepare and submit to the Administrator an annual business-type budget for the accounts under his authority within the fund. This budget program shall be as prescribed by section 9104 of title 31.

"(g) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the salaries and expenses of the Federal Publications Access Programs, exclusive of the Government publications sales program under chapter 17.

"§ 1904. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications; Superintendent's responsibilities and authorities

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, Government publications of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches shall be made available at no charge to Federal publications access libraries.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall certify on every contract for the production or procurement of any Government publications entered into by an agency—

"(1) the number of additional copies required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program; or

"(2) the terms and conditions, if any, for accessing Government publications required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program.

"(c) For on-line, fee-based services, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall negotiate terms and conditions for access by the Federal publications access programs based upon the incremental cost of providing access to the Federal publications access libraries. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall procure such access to ensure that the information needs of the user community are met at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall provide selection, cataloging, classification, locator, and indexing services for all Government publications from the executive, legislative, and judicial branches. Services under this paragraph may be pro-

vided by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs through cooperative agreements with Government agencies, or Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a comprehensive and timely catalog of Government publications, regardless of form or format, that shall be accessible to the Federal publications access libraries and the public.

"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a locator, in accordance with chapter 41, of all Government publications. Such locator service shall identify, describe, and link users to Government publications available through Government electronic communications systems or accessible through public telecommunications networks.

"(4) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall consult with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and other agencies and offices to coordinate implementation of the requirements of section 3511, with locator services required under this section.

"(5) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall create, maintain, and make available a current, categorized list of Government publications, including annotations of contents and item identification numbers, to facilitate the selection of, or access to those publications required by Federal publications access libraries.

"(6) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall prepare and produce a consolidated index of congressional documents and shall index single volumes of documents as the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives direct.

"(e)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall adopt such regulations, in accordance with section 1903(c), as are necessary to implement the requirements of this chapter. Such regulations shall include procedures for implementing this section and sections 1905, 1906, 1907, and 1911 to require the availability of Government publications, regardless of form or format, to the public through the programs of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. Such regulations shall reflect the needs of the user community and provide access to Government publications at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) Government publications made available by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may be chosen or accessed by Federal publications access libraries according to regulations and guidelines issued by the Superintendent of Government Publication Access Programs for such purposes.

"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall coordinate with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for the development and establishment of uniform policies and procedures relating to the dissemination of Government publications, including policies and procedures for ensuring authenticity, and of guidelines to facilitate permanent public access to and use of Government publications.

"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall develop procedures, guidelines, and regulations under this section consistent with sections 1903(c) and 1907(f).

"(g) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall, after informing the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, pro-

mulgate, through notice and comment, appropriate regulations governing the qualifications, process for selection, periodic inspection, collection maintenance, termination, and total number of Federal publications access libraries in accordance with sections 1903(c) and 1908.

"§ 1905. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: agency responsibilities and authorities

"(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each agency head of the executive branch, the Administrative Office of the Courts, on behalf of the judicial branch, and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, respectively, for each House of Congress, shall take such action as is necessary to ensure that all Government publications produced or procured for production by the agency are made available to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, as required by this chapter, for dissemination to the public through the Federal Publications Access Programs, at no charge to Federal publications access libraries.

"(b)(1) Each agency shall immediately notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of the intent of the agency to produce or procure, substan-

tially modify, or terminate the production of a Government publication, regardless of form or format, so that the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may have access to Government publications created for or transmitted through electronic communications systems or networks, or to order Government publications at the incremental rate for the Federal publications access program. Notification under this section shall not replace, but shall be required in addition to the requirements of section 3506 of this title.

"(2) Agencies intending to eliminate printed copies of Government publications and provide only electronic access to those publications, shall notify the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs at least 60 days in advance.

"(3) Any contract for the production or procurement of any Government publication, regardless of form or format, entered into by an agency shall contain a provision that—

"(A) certifies that the head of the agency, in the executive branch, or the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, in the judicial branch, has given proper notification as prescribed in this section to the Superintendent of Government

Publications Access Programs before the awarding of the contract; and

"(B) includes—

"(i) the number of additional copies required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program; or

"(ii) any terms and conditions for accessing Government publications required by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for its program.

"(4) Such certification shall require that the procuring official shall ensure before production that each contract for the procurement of Government publications contains verification of the notice to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs required by this title.

"(c) Upon request of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, agencies shall promptly provide the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with copies of, or access to, electronic files of any Government publication to which this section applies for purposes of—

"(1) producing appropriate format material for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and

"(2) providing permanent public access, in accordance with section 1907, to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network under this section.

"(d) Each agency shall assure and provide permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network until a system for permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network is established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, in accordance with section 1907.

"(e) Each agency shall provide the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs with a copy of, or access to any Government publication, created on or after the date of enactment of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998, regardless of form or format, to enable the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to perform mandated cataloging, locator, and indexing services, as provided by this section.

"(f) When an agency makes a publication available only as a Government database accessible on an electronic communications system or network, the agency shall furnish information about and access to that publication to the Su-

perintendent of Government Publications Access Programs immediately for purposes of providing locator services.

"§ 1906. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: executive branch

"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the executive branch, as provided by this title, shall be made available at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall use any measures the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs considers necessary for the economical and practical implementation of this chapter to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications, as provided by this chapter.

"(2)(A) Upon a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs that an agency has not complied with the requirements of this chapter, the Superintendent shall notify the Administrator.

"(B) If the Superintendent determines that a Government publication of an agency has not been made available

to the Federal publications access libraries as provided by this chapter, the Superintendent shall—

"(i) use whatever measures are necessary to bring the agency into compliance and secure access to the Government publication; and

"(ii) certify to the Administrator the costs associated with securing such access.

"(3) Upon the issuance of a final determination by the Superintendent that an agency has not complied with the provisions of this chapter, the Administrator shall certify to the agency and the Department of the Treasury the costs determined in accordance with subsection (a)(2). The Superintendent shall prepare a voucher for reimbursement of the certified costs.

"(4) The Department of the Treasury shall cause to be established a designated budget account for each agency that intends to produce, procure, or enter into a contract to produce or procure a Government publication from which, upon certification of noncompliance and associated costs in accordance with subsection (a)(2), the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer funds, upon presentation of a voucher from the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, to the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office, for reimbursement to the programs of the Superintendent.

"(5) A final determination of noncompliance by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs under this subsection shall be deemed to be a determination of noncompliance with section 501.

"(b)(1) Each agency of the executive branch shall use the Government Publications Office as the agent of such agency for the production or the procurement of production of Government publications in accordance with section 501. No agency may produce, procure, or enter into a contract for the production or procurement of any Government publication, regardless of form or format, unless such agency is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

"(2) Upon a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services that an agency has not complied with the requirements of section 501, the Superintendent shall notify the Administrator. The Administrator shall certify to the agency and the Office of Management and Budget that the agency is not in compliance and shall suspend any delegation of authority provided under section 501(b).

"(3) Upon a final determination of noncompliance, the Administrator shall withhold any delegation of authority to the agency for a period of 24 months and shall immediately revoke any delegation of authority which has been granted to the agency under section 501(b).

"(4) If an agency which has been determined to be in noncompliance with section 501 is also determined to be in noncompliance with the requirements of this chapter under subsection (a), the Administrator shall withhold any delegation of authority for an additional period of 36 months.

"(c) Determinations made under this section may be reviewed by the Administrator. A determination of the Superintendent of Publications Production and Procurement Services and a determination by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall become final unless overturned or revised by the Administrator within 20 days after the determination.

"(d) A final determination under this section shall not be subject to judicial review.

"§ 1906a. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: legislative branch

"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the legislative branch shall be made available at no cost to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) In the case of Senate publications, the Secretary of the Senate, under the direction of the Committee on Rules

and Administration of the Senate, and in the case of House publications, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, under the direction of the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of the respective Houses to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications under this chapter.

"(3) In the case of congressional publications, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of Congress and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications of Congress under this chapter.

"(b)(1) If the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate determines that this section has not been complied with, the Committee on Rules and Administration shall direct the Secretary of the Senate to bring the Senate into compliance.

"(2) Upon approval by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate of a voucher submitted by the Secretary of the Senate, the contingent fund of the Senate shall be charged for the costs incurred by the Secretary of

the Senate to bring the Senate into compliance under this subsection.

"(c)(1) If the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives determines that this section has not been complied with, the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives shall direct the Clerk of the House of Representatives to bring the House of Representatives into compliance.

"(2) Upon appropriate authorization, the costs incurred by the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be charged to the appropriate account.

"(d)(1) If the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, determine that the provisions of this section regarding congressional publications have not been complied with, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, shall take specific action to bring Congress into compliance with this section.

"(2) Upon approval by the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, acting jointly, of a voucher submitted by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, the Congressional

Printing and Binding Appropriation shall be charged for the costs incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, as authorized by this section.

"§ 1906b. Access to Government publications through the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: compliance and enforcement: judicial branch

"(a)(1) All Government publications, regardless of form or format, of the judicial branch, including court opinions, shall be made available at no charge to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) The Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, shall use whatever measures are necessary to ensure the timely dissemination of Government publications of judicial branch agencies and the courts to the public and to expand and improve the maintenance of permanent public access to Government publications of judicial branch agencies and the courts under this chapter.

"(b) In the event of noncompliance with the requirements of this title, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, in consultation with the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, shall establish a means to bring the judicial branch into compliance with this chapter.

"§ 1907. Permanent Public Access to Government publications

"(a) In this section, the term 'permanent public access' means that a Government publication within the scope of the Federal publications access program shall—

"(1) remain available for current, continuous, and future public access; and

"(2) be made available at no fee to the Federal publications access libraries.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a system of permanent public access to Government publications, for publications other than those publications identified in subsection (c), in accordance with requirements of section 1909(c).

"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a system of permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.

"(d)(1) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a committee to make recommendations on the components of a distributive system for permanent public access and the strategy for achieving such system and access.

"(2) The committee established under paragraph (1) shall include representatives of—

"(A) the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate;

"(B) the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives;

"(C) the National Archives and Records Administration;

"(D) the Office of Management and Budget;

"(E) the Administrative Office of the United States Courts;

"(F) the Library of Congress and other national libraries;

"(G) regional and other Federal publications access libraries;

"(H) the Federal publications access library council;

"(I) the United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science;

"(J) the information, computer software, and printing industries;

"(K) the AFL–CIO; and

"(L) other entities as appropriate.

"(e) The Committee established under subsection (c) shall—

"(1) not later than 24 months after the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of

1998, provide recommendations to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for necessary statutory and regulatory changes to implement a system to provide permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network;

"(2) periodically review developments in public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, and make recommendations for further action by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the Congress as necessary;

"(3) propose regulations to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to be promulgated under section 1904 by the Superintendent as appropriate, necessary to implement permanent public access to Government publications;

"(4) identify criteria for Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network that warrant permanent accessibility; and

"(5) establish certifying criteria to accompany Government publications created for or transmitted

through an electronic communications system or network to ensure that such publications are official versions.

"(f) The system of permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network established under this section shall include a distributive system that provides for adequate redundancy and requires official and contractual agreements among participating entities. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall retain final responsibility for permanent public access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network and for ensuring that the system is operated in accordance with this section.

"(g)(1) Until the system of permanent public access under this section is established, each agency shall provide permanent public access to the Government publications it creates for or transmits through an electronic communications system or network.

"(2) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be responsible for developing, in consultation with Congress, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, procedures and guidelines for permanent public ac-

cess to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network for purposes of paragraph (1).

"(3) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall offer to agencies, on a cost-recovery basis, services for providing permanent public access to the Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network.

"(h) Until such time as the bound permanent Congressional Record and the bound United States Congressional serial set are created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, such Record and set shall remain available in a bound, printed format for those Federal publications access libraries which have chosen to receive such Record and set.

"§ 1908. Designation of Federal publications access libraries

"(a) Subject to subsection (e), Federal publications access libraries shall be designated by certain elected officials as follows:

"(1) Each Senator may designate up to 2 libraries within the State represented.

"(2) Each Representative may designate up to 2 libraries within the district represented.

"(3) The Resident Commissioner may designate up to 2 libraries within Puerto Rico.

"(4) The Mayor of the District of Columbia may designate up to 2 Federal publications access libraries in the District of Columbia.

"(5) The Governor of Guam, the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Governor of American Samoa may each designate 1 Federal publications access library in each area represented.

"(6) The Governor of the Virgin Islands may designate 1 Federal publications access library on the Island of Saint Thomas and 1 on the Island of Saint Croix.

"(b) Upon request of the institution, the following shall be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs as Federal publications access libraries:

"(1) Land grant colleges.

"(2) State libraries.

"(3) The library of the highest State appellate court in each State.

"(4) The library of any law school accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or associa-

tion, or accredited by the highest appellate court of the State in which the law school is located.

"(5) The libraries of the executive departments, the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, the United States Coast Guard Academy, and the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

"(c)(1) A Federal publications access library within each independent agency may be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs upon certification of need by the head of the agency to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(2) Additional Federal publications access libraries within executive departments and independent agencies may be designated by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs upon certification of justifiable need by the head of the agency.

"(d) Before any additional or replacement Federal publications access library is designated, the head of the library shall furnish the appointing authority justification of the necessity for such designation. The justification shall be approved by the head of the library authority of the State, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, within which the proposed Federal publica-

tions access library is to be located, or signed by the head of each existing Federal publications access library within the congressional district, the State, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

"(e) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may designate as a Federal publications access library, upon recommendation of a Senator or Representative representing the area, any library serving an underserved area.

"(f) Notwithstanding the limitations on numbers of Federal publications access libraries that may be designated under this section, each library that is designated as a Federal Depository Library as of the effective date of the Government Publications Reform Act of 1998 shall be a Federal publications access library as of that date.

"(g) A library may be designated under this section as a Federal publications access library only if it is able properly to maintain and provide public access to Government publications, regardless of form or format.

"§ 1909. Regional Federal publications access libraries

"(a)(1) Not more than 2 Federal publications access libraries, including any group of Federal publications access libraries with a cooperative agreement, in each State

or service area and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia—

"(A) may be designated as regional Federal publications access libraries; and

"(B) shall receive from the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs copies of or access to all new and revised Government publications authorized for dissemination to Federal publications access libraries.

"(2) A cooperative group of libraries that includes libraries in more than 1 State may be designated under this section.

"(b)(1) Designation of regional Federal publications access libraries may be made by a Senator or the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico or the Mayor of the District of Columbia with the areas represented by them, after consultation with the head of the library authority of the State or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or the District of Columbia, as the case may be, who shall first ascertain from the head of the library, or cooperative group of libraries, to be so designated that the library will fulfill the requirements of a regional Federal publications access library.

"(2) The agreement to function as a regional Federal public access information library shall be transmitted to

the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs by the Senator or the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico or the Mayor of the District of Columbia when the designation is made.

"(c)(1) Regional Federal publications access libraries shall—

"(A) permanently maintain for public use at least 1 copy of all Government publications not created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network, except those authorized to be discarded by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; or

"(B) coordinate with other Federal publications access libraries in the applicable service area to ensure that such service is provided by a Federal publications access library in the area.

"(2) Within the region served, a regional Federal publications access library shall provide or coordinate the provision of all program-related activities in the service area, including interlibrary loans and reference services.

"§ 1910. Federal publications access libraries: responsibilities

"(a) Federal publications access libraries shall make Government publications received or accessed through the

Federal publications access program available for the use of the public at no fee.

"(b) All Government publications not created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network received by Federal publications access libraries remain the property of the United States Government. Federal publications access libraries may dispose of Government publications only as authorized by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(c) Federal publications access libraries shall operate in accord with regulations promulgated under section 1904.

"§ 1911. Federal publications access libraries council

"(a) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall establish a permanent Federal Publications Access Library Council (in this section referred to as the 'Council').

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall—

"(1) determine the composition of the Council and the duration of terms of the members; and

"(2) publish the membership of the Council annually in the Federal Register.

"(c) The Council's members shall be representative of the various classes of libraries which comprise the Federal publications access library program and others.

"(d) Appointment to the Council shall be made without regard to political affiliation.

"(e) The Council shall advise the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on—

"(1) appropriate items and preferred formats for inclusion in the program under this chapter;

"(2) Government publications that—

"(A) are not included in the program; and

"(B) the Council recommends for inclusion in the program; and

"(3) such other policy matters as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may request.

"(f) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may establish other advisory committees consisting of representatives of Federal publications access libraries, agencies, and users of Government publications. Such advisory committees shall be established as the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines appropriate.

"(g)(1) All meetings of the Council and those of any other advisory committee established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be open to the public, except when the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines that the

meeting or any portion of the meeting shall be closed to the public consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5, and only after a ⅔ vote of the Council.

"(2) All meetings of the Council and those of any other advisory committee established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall provide the opportunity for public comment and be preceded by timely public notice in the Federal Register of the time, place, and subject of the meeting.

"(3) Minutes of each meeting shall be kept and shall contain a record of the people present and a description of the discussion that occurred. The minutes and records of all such meetings and other documents that were made available to or prepared for the Council or any other advisory council established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be made publicly accessible unless the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs determines that a record or any portion of such record, shall not be publicly disclosed, consistent with the provisions of section 552(b) of title 5, and only after a ⅔ vote of the Council.".

(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 months after the effective date of this Act, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall submit a report to the Committee on Rules and Administration of

the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives on—

(1) the status of the Federal publications access program established under chapter 19 of title 44, United States Code;

(2) the expected developments in the program, including recommendations for necessary statutory and subsequent regulatory changes to implement a system to provide continuous and permanent access to Government publications created for or transmitted through an electronic communications system or network; and

(3) specific recommendations for legislative proposals, as appropriate.

(c) TRANSFER.—All duties, authorities, responsibilities, and functions of the Superintendent of Documents of the Government Printing Office on the day before the effective date of this title shall be performed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs on and after such date.

(d) REFERENCES.—References in any other Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to—

(1) the Superintendent of Documents shall be deemed to refer to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; and

(2) the Office of the Superintendent of Documents shall be deemed to refer to the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

(e) TRANSITION.—The individual serving as the Superintendent of Documents of the Government Printing Office on the effective date of this title may serve as Acting Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs of the Government Publications Office until the President appoints a Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

(f) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 19 and inserting the following:

"19. Federal Publications Access Programs ..... 1901".

SEC. 403. DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS BY SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 17 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 17—DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

"Sec.
"1701. Definitions.
"1702. Publications for public distribution to be distributed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; mailing lists.
"1703. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; sale of Government publications.
"1704. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: assistants, blanks, printing, and binding.
"1705. Payment of costs.
"1706. Additional copies for sale to the public.
"1707. Production and sale of extra copies of Government publications.
"1708. Reproducing Government publications required for sale.
"1709. Prices for sales copies of publications; crediting of receipts; resale by dealers; sales agents.
"1710. Blank forms: printing and sale to public.
"1711. Publications for use of the Superintendent of Publications Access Programs.
"1712. Publications for use of National Archives and Records Administration.
"1713. Publications for the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.
"1714. Government publications for the Library of Congress.
"1715. Exchange of Government publications by heads of Federal agencies.

"§ 1701. Definitions

"In this chapter the terms 'agency' and 'Government publication' have the meanings given such terms under section 1902.

"§ 1702. Publications for public distribution to be distributed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; mailing lists

"(a) Money appropriated by any Act may not be used for services in an executive department or other Government establishment at the District of Columbia, in the work of addressing, wrapping, mailing, or otherwise dispatching a publication for public distribution, except maps, weather

reports, and weather cards issued by them or for the purchase of material or supplies to be used in this work. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall perform this work at the Government Publications Office. The head of an executive department, independent office, and establishment of the Government at the District of Columbia, shall furnish from time to time to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs mailing lists, in convenient form, and changes in them, or penalty mail slips, for use in the public distribution of publications issued by the department or establishment. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may furnish copies of a publication only in accordance with law or the instruction of the head of the department or establishment issuing the publication.

"(b) This section does not apply to orders, instructions, directions, notices, or circulars of information printed for and issued by an executive department or other Government establishment or to the distribution of public publications by Senators or Members of the House of Representatives or to the Senate Service Department, House of Representatives Publications Distribution Service, and document rooms of the Senate or House of Representatives.

"§ 1703. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs; sale of Government publications

"(a)(1) If an officer of the Government having in his charge Government publications for sale desires to be relieved of the publications, the officer may—

"(A) turn the publications over to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, who shall receive and sell them under this section; or

"(B) dispose of such publications under section 306 or 314.

"(2) Moneys received from the sale of such Government publications shall be paid to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, and placed in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office and credited to the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall have general supervision of a Government publications sales program which shall provide Government publications to the public for purchase.

"(c) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall report monthly to the Administrator the number of publications received by the Superintendent and the disposition made of them.

"§ 1704. Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs: assistants, blanks, printing, and binding

"(a) The Administrator shall provide convenient office space, storage, and distributing rooms for the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services, upon requisition by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, shall do the printing and binding required by the office in accordance with section 1107.

"§ 1705. Payment of costs

"(a) Employees in the Office of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may be paid for night, Sunday, holiday, and overtime work at rates not in excess of the rates of additional pay for this work allowed other employees of the Government Publications Office under section 303.

"(b) The costs of printing and related services incurred by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs under this chapter for work performed by the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services shall be paid by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs from accounts under the Superintendent's authority within the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office.

"(c) The Administrator shall transfer funds from the account of the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to the account of the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services, upon a voucher prepared by the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services and approved by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs.

"§ 1706. Additional copies for sale to the public

"Upon requisition by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services shall produce additional copies of a Government publication, not confidential in character, required for sale to the public, as determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The cost of such production shall be determined in accordance with section 1107. Such production shall not interfere with the prompt execution of publications production for the executive, legislative, or judicial branches of Government.

"§ 1707. Production and sale of extra copies of Government publications

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may furnish to private nongovernmental applicants giving notice before a publication is produced, such

copies of the requested Government publication as the applicant requests. The applicant shall pay in advance the price of the requested Government publication as determined by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs. The production of such copies for private nongovernmental parties may not interfere with the production for the Government.

"§ 1708. Reproducing Government publications required for sale

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may order reproduced, from time to time, Government publications required for sale, subject to the approval of the head of the department or agency in which the Government publication originated. The Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services shall be reimbursed by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs for the cost of reproduction from the moneys received from the sale of Government publications. Such receipts shall be deposited in the Revolving Fund of the Government Publications Office to the credit of the Superintendent of Government Production and Procurement Services.

"§ 1709. Prices for sales copies of publications; crediting of receipts; resale by dealers; sales agents

"(a) To the greatest extent feasible, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall operate the sales program of Government publications on a self-sustaining basis. Sales prices for Government publications sold by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be established by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs to cover the cost of procurement or production, dissemination, and other appropriate costs, including the offering of sales discounts and any costs associated with the sales program.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may prescribe terms and conditions under which the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs authorizes the resale of Government publications by book dealers. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may designate any Government officer or any person who is not a Federal employee as his agent for the sale of Government publications under terms and conditions agreed upon by the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs and the head of the respective agency of the Government.

"§ 1710. Blank forms: printing and sale to public

"The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs may have produced for sale to the public, upon prepayment, additional copies of approved Government blank forms.

"§ 1711. Publications for use of the Superintendent of Publications Access Programs

"The Superintendent of Publications Access Programs may retain out of all publications, bills, and resolutions printed the number of copies absolutely needful for the official use of the Government Publications Office, not exceeding 5 of each.

"§ 1712. Publications for use of National Archives and Records Administration

"(a)(1) The Administrator shall cause to be printed and delivered to the National Archives and Records Administration for use by the Archivist of the United States which shall be chargeable to the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, 1 copy each of the following publications:

"(A) House of Representatives documents and public reports, bound.

"(B) Senate documents and public reports, bound.

"(C) House of Representatives and Senate journals, bound.

"(D) United States Code and Supplements, bound.

"(E) United States Statutes at Large, bound.

"(F) The United States Reports, bound.

"(G) All other documents bearing congressional number or printed upon order of a committee in either House of Congress, or of a department, independent agency or establishment, commission, or officer of the Government, except confidential matter, blank forms, and circular letters not of a public character.

"(H) Public bills and resolutions in Congress in each parliamentary stage.

"(2) The cost of providing such publications shall be deemed an expense of the Government Publications Access Programs and shall be paid for in accordance with section 1902(g).

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall furnish without cost, copies of publications available for free distribution.

"(c) Such purchases shall be made—

"(1) in accordance with section 1107; and

"(2) from funds appropriated to the National Archives and Records Administration for such purpose.

"§ 1713. Publications for the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives

"(a) When printing not bearing a congressional number, except confidential matters, blank forms, and circular letters not of a public character, is done for an agency of Government, or not of a confidential character, is done for use of congressional committees, 2 copies shall be sent by the Government Publications Office to the Senate and the House of Representatives libraries, respectively.

"(b) Such purchases shall be made—

"(1) in accordance with section 1107; and

"(2) from funds appropriated for congressional printing and binding under section 735.

"§ 1714. Government publications for the Library of Congress

"(a)(1) The Librarian of Congress shall determine annually the number of full and partial sets of Government publications necessary for the Library's service to Congress, maintenance of the Library's collection, and for use toward the international exchange program under subsection (c).

"(2) The Director of the Congressional Research Service shall determine annually the number of full and partial sets of Government publications necessary for the Congressional Research Service's service to the Congress.

"(b) The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall provide the documents to the Library and to the Congressional Research Service in a timely manner in the necessary quantities.

"(c) To fully carry into effect the conventions concluded at Brussels on March 15, 1886, and proclaimed by the President of the United States on January 15, 1889, and all subsequent bilateral and multilateral treaties and agreements under which the Librarian of Congress to administer an international exchange program by providing Government publications for distribution to foreign governments which agree, as indicated by the Librarian of Congress, to send to the United States similar publications of their governments, for delivery to the Library of Congress.

"(d) Payment by the Library of Congress and the Congressional Research Service, respectively, for Government publications and related services under this section shall be made from funds appropriated to the Library and the Congressional Research Service, respectively, for such purposes. Payment for such publications shall be at the incremental cost of printing, in accordance with section 1107 of this title.

"(e) Such purchases shall be made—

"(1) in accordance with section 1107; and

"(2) from funds appropriated to the Library of Congress for such purposes.

"§ 1715. Exchange of Government publications by heads of agencies

"The head of an agency may exchange surplus Government publications for other Government publications required by the agency, if it is to the advantage of the public service.".

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 17 and insert the following:

"17. Distribution and Sale of Government Publications ..... 1701".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), this section shall take effect on January 1, 1999.

(2) SPECIAL RULE.—Section 1713 of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this section shall take effect on October 1, 1999.

(3) CONTINUING EFFECT.—Sections 1718 and 1719 of title 44, United States Code, (as in effect before the amendments made by this section) shall continue in effect until October 1, 1999.

SEC. 404. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS ACCESS PROGRAMS.

(a) CHAPTER 11.—Section 1108 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking "Superintendent of Documents" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs".

(b) CHAPTER 41.—

(1) Section 4101 of title 44, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking "Superintendent of Documents" each place it appears and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs";

(B) by striking ", under the direction of the Public Printer; and";

(C) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting before the semicolon the following: ", for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of Government"; and

(D) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(d) LOCATOR.—The electronic directory, or locator, authorized under section 3511 shall not replace, but shall be established in addition to, the locator established by this

section. The Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs shall be the sole administrator of the Government locator established under this section and shall coordinate and integrate the services of the locator established under section 3511.''.

(2) Section 4102 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed.

(3) The table of sections for chapter 41, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section 4102.

TITLE V—ADMINISTRATIVE AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. CONTINUATION OF EMPLOYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Compensation, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment in effect on the day before the effective date of this Act, whether provided by statute, regulation, or agreement between employees and the Public Printer, shall continue to apply to officers and employees of the Government Printing Office until modified or terminated in accordance with law, including the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 502. PROCEEDINGS NOT AFFECTED.

The provisions of this Act shall not affect any proceedings, including notices of proposed rulemaking, or any application for any license, permit, certificate, or financial

assistance pending before the Government Printing Office at the time this Act takes effect, with respect to functions transferred by this Act but such proceedings and applications shall be continued. Orders shall be issued in such proceedings, appeals shall be taken therefrom, and payments shall be made pursuant to such orders, as if this Act had not been enacted, and orders issued in any such proceedings shall continue in effect until modified, terminated, superseded, or revoked by a duly authorized official, by a court of competent jurisdiction, or by operation of law. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the discontinuance or modification of any such proceeding under the same terms and conditions and to the same extent that such proceeding could have been discontinued or modified if this Act had not been enacted.

SEC. 503. SUITS NOT AFFECTED.

The provisions of this Act shall not affect suits commenced before the effective date of this Act, and in all such suits, proceedings shall be had, appeals taken, and judgments rendered in the same manner and with the same effect as if this Act had not been enacted.

SEC. 504. NONABATEMENT OF ACTIONS.

No suit, action, or other proceeding commenced by or against the Government Printing Office, or by or against any individual in the official capacity of such individual

as an officer of the Government Printing Office, shall abate by reason of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 505. SEPARABILITY.

If a provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, neither the remainder of this Act nor the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall be affected.

SEC. 506. TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

(1) Section 208 of title 1, United States Code, is amended—

*(A) in the section heading by striking all after "**agencies**"; and*

(B) by striking "Joint Committee on Printing" and inserting "Administrator of the Government Publications Office, in consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives".

(2) The table of sections for chapter 3 of title 1, United States Code, is amended in the item relating to section 208 by striking all after "agencies" and inserting a period.

(3) Section 3 of the joint resolution of December 24, 1970 (2 U.S.C. 168b) is amended by striking "Joint Committee on Printing" and inserting "Committee on Rules

and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives".

(4) Section 2(b)(1) of Public Law 94–386 (2 U.S.C. 285b note; District of Columbia Code, section 49–102) is amended by striking "Public Printer" and "Public Printer (in consultation with the Joint Committee on Printing)" and inserting "Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services (in consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives)".

(5) Section 312 of the Federal Water Power Act (16 U.S.C. 825k) is amended by striking all beginning with "Joint Committee on Printing" in the fourth sentence through the end of the section and inserting "Administrator of the Government Publications Office may prescribe".

(6) Section 5(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 954(c)) is amended by striking the sentence following paragraph (10).

(7) Section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 956(c)) is amended by striking the sentence following paragraph (10).

(8) Section 602(d) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 474(d)(18)) is amended by striking "Joint Committee on Printing" and inserting "Government Publications Office".

(9) Chapter 1 of title 44, United States Code, is repealed.

(10) The table of chapters for title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 1.

(11) Chapter VII of title I of the Second Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1976 (Public Law 94–303; 90 Stat. 616; 44 U.S.C. 103 note) is amended under the heading "JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING" by striking the 2 provisos.

(12) Title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1978 (Public Law 95–94; 91 Stat. 669; 44 U.S.C. 103 note) is amended under the heading "JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING" by striking the first 2 provisos.

SEC. 507. ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) RECOMMENDED LEGISLATION.—After consultation with the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Administrator of the Office of Government Publications, the Superintendent of Government

Publications Access Programs, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall each prepare and submit to Congress recommended legislation containing technical and conforming amendments to reflect the changes made by this Act.

(b) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 6 months after the effective date of this Act, the Administrator of the Office of Government Publications, the Superintendent of Government Publications Access Programs, and the Superintendent of Government Publications Production and Procurement Services shall each submit the recommended legislation referred to under subsection (a).

SEC. 508. IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS.

Effective on the date of enactment of this Act, the Public Printer and the Superintendent of Documents may each take such administrative actions as necessary to provide for the orderly implementation of this Act.

SEC. 509. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Except as provided under sections 305, 308, 403, 408, and 508, this Act shall take effect on January 1, 1999.