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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “??  
5 Act”. **[to be provided]**

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of  
2 this Act is as follows:

3 **TITLE I—REFORM OF PUBLIC**  
4 **PRINTING AND DOCUMENTS**

5 **SEC. 101. REFORM OF PUBLIC PRINTING AND DOCUMENTS.**

6 Title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking  
7 chapters 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 17, and 19 and inserting  
8 the following:

9 **“CHAPTER 1—GOVERNMENT PRINTING**  
10 **OFFICE**

“SUBCHAPTER A—ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORITIES

- “101. Establishment of Government Printing Office.
- “102. Public Printer of the United States.
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- “106. Disposition of surplus property; acceptance of voluntary and uncompen-  
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1           “SUBCHAPTER A—ORGANIZATION AND  
2                                    AUTHORITIES

3 **“§ 101. Establishment of Government Printing Office**

4           “There is hereby established in the legislative branch  
5 the Government Printing Office (hereafter in this title re-  
6 ferred to as the ‘GPO’) to carry out the following func-  
7 tions, in accordance with the requirements of this title:

8                   “(1) The production or procurement of infor-  
9 mation dissemination products (IDPs), regardless of  
10 form or format, including IDPs created for or trans-  
11 mitted through an electronic communications system  
12 or network.

13                   “(2) Printing.

14                   “(3) Bookbinding.

15                   “(4) The production and dissemination of e-  
16 books.

17                   “(5) Specialized design services.

18                   “(6) Document preparation services.

19                   “(7) Graphic communication products and serv-  
20 ices.

21                   “(8) Secure credential products and services.

22                   “(9) Distribution and warehousing services.

23                   “(10) Related services, including manufac-  
24 turing, on behalf of entities of the Federal govern-  
25 ment, States, and units of local government.

1 **“§ 102. Public Printer of the United States**

2       “(a) APPOINTMENT.—The Government Printing Of-  
3 fice shall be headed by the Public Printer of the United  
4 States (hereafter in this title referred to as the ‘Public  
5 Printer’), who shall be appointed by the President by and  
6 with the advice and consent of the Senate.

7       “(b) TERM OF SERVICE.—An individual appointed as  
8 Public Printer shall serve for a term of 10 years and may  
9 be reappointed for a single additional term of 10 years,  
10 and may serve after the expiration of a term until a suc-  
11 cessor is appointed under this section.

12       “(c) QUALIFICATIONS.—The individual appointed as  
13 Public Printer shall be a graphic communication profes-  
14 sional with knowledge of the dissemination, retention, and  
15 archiving of information dissemination products.

16       “(d) COMPENSATION.—The Public Printer shall be  
17 compensated at an annual rate equal to level II of the  
18 Executive Schedule.

19       “(e) PLENARY AUTHORITY.—Consistent with the re-  
20 quirements of this title and the regulations promulgated  
21 pursuant to this title, the Public Printer may take such  
22 actions as the Public Printer considers necessary to carry  
23 out the Public Printer’s duties and functions, including  
24 actions to remedy neglect, delay, duplication, or waste in  
25 the production, procurement, and dissemination of infor-  
26 mation dissemination products, and actions to enhance

1 and expand the dissemination of, and maintenance of per-  
2 manent public access to, such products.

3 **“§ 103. Revolving fund**

4 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT; CONTENTS.—There is estab-  
5 lished a Government Printing Office revolving fund (here-  
6 after referred to as the ‘Revolving Fund’), consisting of  
7 the following:

8 “(1) The balance of the Revolving Fund under  
9 section 309 of this title (as in effect immediately be-  
10 fore the effective date of the **[(insert short title of**  
11 **bill here)]**.

12 “(2) Capital provided by the Public Printer by  
13 capitalizing (at fair and reasonable values deter-  
14 mined by the Public Printer in consultation with the  
15 Comptroller General of the United States) the cur-  
16 rent inventories, plant and building appurtenances,  
17 except building structures, and land, equipment, and  
18 other assets of GPO.

19 “(3) Such amounts as may be appropriated to  
20 the Revolving Fund under law.

21 “(b) USE OF FUND.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
23 graph (2), amounts in the Revolving Fund are avail-  
24 able without fiscal year limitation for the operation  
25 and maintenance of the Government Printing Office,

1 including any lawful purpose the Public Printer  
2 deems reasonable and necessary to carry out this  
3 chapter, chapter 3, and chapter 5 of this title.

4 “(2) RECEPTION AND REPRESENTATION EX-  
5 PENSES.—The Public Printer may use amounts in  
6 the Revolving Fund for official reception and rep-  
7 resentation expenses, as well as expenditures for  
8 meals, entertainment, and refreshments in connec-  
9 tion with official training sessions, in accordance  
10 with procedures and rules established by the Public  
11 Printer.

12 “(c) REIMBURSEMENTS AND CREDITS.—The Revolv-  
13 ing Fund shall be—

14 “(1) reimbursed for the cost of all products,  
15 services, and supplies furnished, including those fur-  
16 nished through the use of other appropriations made  
17 to or on behalf of the Government Printing Office,  
18 at rates which include charges for overhead and re-  
19 lated expenses, depreciation of plant and building  
20 appurtenances (except building structures and land)  
21 and equipment, and accrued leave; and

22 “(2) credited with all receipts of the GPO from  
23 any authorized source, including sales of information  
24 dissemination products, waste, condemned and sur-

1 plus property, and with payments received for losses  
2 or damage to property.

3 “(d) ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS.—The Public  
4 Printer shall maintain an adequate system of accounts for  
5 the Revolving Fund, and shall prepare financial reports  
6 relating to the Revolving Fund, on the accrual method of  
7 accounting.

8 “(e) ANNUAL BUDGET PROGRAM; CONSIDERATION  
9 BY CONGRESS.—For purposes of section 9104 of title 31,  
10 the Public Printer shall prepare and submit to Congress  
11 an annual budget program for the Revolving Fund.

12 **“§ 104. Annual financial statement**

13 “(a) REQUIRING ANNUAL STATEMENT.—The Public  
14 Printer shall prepare an annual financial statement meet-  
15 ing the requirements of section 3515(b) of title 31.

16 “(b) AUDIT OF STATEMENT.—Each financial state-  
17 ment prepared by the Public Printer under subsection (a)  
18 shall be audited in accordance with applicable generally  
19 accepted Government auditing standards—

20 “(1) by an independent external auditor se-  
21 lected by the Public Printer with the concurrence of  
22 the Inspector General of the Government Printing  
23 Office; or

24 “(2) at the option of the Comptroller General of  
25 the United States or at the joint request of the

1 Committee on House Administration of the House of  
2 Representatives and the Committee on Rules and  
3 Administration of the Senate, by the Comptroller  
4 General of the United States.

5 **“§ 105. Production and procurement authority**

6 “(a) INDEPENDENT PURCHASING AUTHORITY.—Ex-  
7 cept as provided in subsection (b), the purchasing of goods  
8 and services to carry out this chapter, chapter 3, and  
9 chapter 5 of this title, including goods and services nec-  
10 essary for the production and procurement of information  
11 dissemination products, shall be governed by regulations  
12 promulgated by the Public Printer, without regard to  
13 chapter 33 of title 41.

14 “(b) APPLICATION OF BUY AMERICAN ACT.—Chap-  
15 ter 83 of title 41 (commonly known as the ‘Buy American  
16 Act’) shall apply with respect to the procurement of goods  
17 and services by the Public Printer.

18 **“§ 106. Disposition of surplus property; acceptance of**  
19 **voluntary and uncompensated services**

20 “(a) DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY.—The  
21 Public Printer may transfer or donate surplus information  
22 dissemination products, as well as surplus or obsolete  
23 GPO machinery, material, equipment, and supplies to—  
24 “(1) other entities of the Federal government;



1           “(2) any organization described under section  
2           501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and  
3           exempt from taxation under 501(a) of such Code; or  
4           “(3) a State or unit of local government.

5           “(b) ACCEPTANCE OF VOLUNTARY AND UNCOMPEN-  
6           SATED SERVICES.—Notwithstanding section 1342 of title  
7           31, the Public Printer may accept voluntary and uncom-  
8           pensated services to support the functions of the GPO.  
9           An individual providing such voluntary and uncompen-  
10          sated services shall not be considered a Federal employee  
11          except for purposes of chapter 81 of title 5 (relating to  
12          compensation for work injuries) and chapter 171 of title  
13          28 (relating to tort claims).

14          **“§ 107. Authority to issue regulations**

15          “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Public Printer may promul-  
16          gate such regulations as the Public Printer considers nec-  
17          essary to carry out this chapter, chapter 3, and chapter  
18          5 of this title, consistent with the provisions of such chap-  
19          ters.

20          “(b) APPLICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCE-  
21          DURES.—The promulgation of regulations by the Public  
22          Printer under this section shall be subject to the following  
23          laws:

24                  “(1) Section 553 of title 5 (relating to notice  
25                  and comment requirements for agency rule making).

1           “(2) Chapter 7 of title 5 (relating to judicial re-  
2           view of agency actions).

3           “(c) MANDATORY REVIEW.—3 years after the pro-  
4           mulgation of any regulation under this section and every  
5           3 years thereafter, the Public Printer shall conduct a re-  
6           view of the regulation to determine whether or not the reg-  
7           ulation should be updated or repealed.

8           **“§ 108. Advisory committees**

9           “The Public Printer may establish advisory commit-  
10          tees to obtain advice and recommendations for the Govern-  
11          ment Printing Office in the same manner, and subject to  
12          the same terms and conditions, applicable to an agency  
13          under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

14          **“§ 109. Congressional oversight**

15          “(a) OVERSIGHT.—The Committee on House Admin-  
16          istration of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
17          mittee on Rules and Administration of the Senate shall  
18          have responsibility for overseeing the operations and ac-  
19          tivities of the Government Printing Office.

20          “(b) SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.—

21                  “(1) REPORTS.—Not later than 45 days after  
22                  the first 6 months of each fiscal year, and not later  
23                  than 45 days after the next 6 months of each fiscal  
24                  year, the Public Printer shall submit to the Com-  
25                  mittee on House Administration of the House of

1 Representatives and the Committee on Rules and  
2 Administration of the Senate, and post on the Public  
3 Printer’s public website for no-fee public access, a  
4 report on the activities of the GPO during the pre-  
5 vious 6 months, and shall include in the report the  
6 following information:

7 “(A) Grants made by the Public Printer  
8 under chapter 5 of this title, including the re-  
9 cipient, the amount, the purpose, and any ad-  
10 ministrative costs incurred in administering the  
11 grant.

12 “(B) Gifts accepted by the Public Printer  
13 under chapter 5 of this title, including the  
14 donor, the amount, and the disposition.

15 “(C) Actions taken to ensure the protec-  
16 tion of the privacy of users of information dis-  
17 semination products.

18 “(D) The status of the Depository Library  
19 Program under chapter 5.

20 “(E) Any purchases made for the use of  
21 the GPO in an amount greater than \$250,000.

22 “(F) The status of any pending rules or  
23 regulations proposed under this chapter.

24 “(G) Delegations of authority by the Pub-  
25 lic Printer under section 303.

1           “(H) Notifications received by the Super-  
2           intendent of Documents under section 504(a).

3           “(I) Any information dissemination prod-  
4           ucts recalled under section 508 from the na-  
5           tional collection established under subchapter A  
6           of chapter 5 of this title.

7           “(2) POSTING FOR NO-FEE PUBLIC ACCESS.—  
8           At the time of submitting a report under paragraph  
9           (1) to the Committees described in such paragraph,  
10          the Public Printer shall post an electronic version of  
11          the report on the Public Printer’s official website for  
12          no-fee public access.

13   **“§ 110. General definitions**

14          “(a) DEFINITION OF ‘PRINTING’.—

15               “(1) DEFINITION.—In chapters 1, 3, and 5 of  
16               this title, the term ‘printing’ includes and applies to  
17               the all of the processes used to capture and process  
18               digital or tangible information, including—

19                       “(A) any formatting, composition,  
20                       platemaking, presswork, and binding or other  
21                       finishing, or the manufacturing of related mate-  
22                       rial;

23                       “(B) the equipment and software applica-  
24                       tions used in such processes; and

1           “(C) the end items in any tangible or dig-  
2           ital form produced by such processes and equip-  
3           ment for use by an end user.

4           “(2) REVIEW; UPDATES.—The Public Printer  
5           shall regularly review the definition under this sub-  
6           section to ensure that it is consistent with inter-  
7           national and commercial practice, and not less fre-  
8           quently than every 5 years, shall submit rec-  
9           ommendations to the Committee on House Adminis-  
10          tration of the House of Representatives and the  
11          Committee on Rules and Administration of the Sen-  
12          ate for updates to the definition so that it reflects  
13          the most current technology.

14          “(b) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—In chapters 1, 3, and 5  
15          of this title, the following definitions apply:

16                 “(1) The term ‘dissemination’ means the gov-  
17                 ernment-initiated distribution of information to a  
18                 nongovernment entity, including the public. Such  
19                 term does not include any distribution which is lim-  
20                 ited to Federal Government employees, intra- or  
21                 inter-office use or sharing of Federal information,  
22                 and responses to requests for agency records under  
23                 the Freedom of Information Act (section 552 of title  
24                 5) or the Privacy Act (section 552a of title 5).

1           “(2) The term ‘electronic information dissemi-  
2           nation product’ means an information dissemination  
3           product which is created for or transmitted through  
4           an electronic communications system or network of  
5           the office in which the product originated.

6           “(3) The term ‘Federal information’ means in-  
7           formation created, collected, processed, maintained,  
8           disseminated, disclosed, or disposed of by or for the  
9           Federal Government, in any medium or form.

10           “(4) The term ‘Federal information system’  
11           means an information system used or operated by an  
12           office of the Federal Government or by a contractor  
13           of such an office or by another organization on be-  
14           half of such an office.

15           “(5) The term ‘fugitive document’ means an in-  
16           formation dissemination product consisting of a doc-  
17           ument which is not cataloged or otherwise identifi-  
18           able or retrievable by an end user through the online  
19           repository under section 521.

20           “(6) The term ‘Government publication’ means  
21           information that is published as an individual docu-  
22           ment at Government expense, or as required by law,  
23           in any medium or form.

24           “(7) The term ‘graphic communication’ means  
25           electronic and traditional printing, publishing, pack-

1 aging, digital imaging, computer graphics, website  
2 development, digital photography, printable elec-  
3 tronics, and related activities.

4 “(8) The term ‘information’ means any commu-  
5 nication or representation of knowledge such as  
6 facts, data, or opinions in any medium or form, in-  
7 cluding textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic,  
8 narrative, electronic, or audiovisual forms.

9 “(9) The term ‘information dissemination prod-  
10 uct’ or ‘IDP’ means any recorded information, re-  
11 gardless of physical form or characteristics, dissemi-  
12 nated by an office of the Federal Government, or  
13 contractor thereof, to the public. For purposes of  
14 section 105 of title 17, an IDP shall be considered  
15 a work of the United States Government regardless  
16 of form or format and regardless of whether the  
17 IDP was produced or procured by the Public Print-  
18 er, an office of the Federal government, or another  
19 entity pursuant to a delegation of authority under  
20 chapter 3 of this title.

21 “(10) The term ‘inter-office agreement’ means  
22 a written agreement entered into between two or  
23 more offices of the Federal Government that speci-  
24 fies the goods to be furnished or tasks to be accom-  
25 plished by one office (the servicing office) in support

1 of the other(s) (the requesting office), including as-  
2 sisted acquisitions as described in the Memorandum  
3 of the Office of Management and Budget entitled  
4 ‘Improving the Management and Use of Interagency  
5 Acquisitions’ and other cases described in part 17 of  
6 the Federal Acquisition Regulations.

7 “(11) The term ‘personally identifiable informa-  
8 tion’ means information that can be used to distin-  
9 guish or trace an individual’s identity, either alone  
10 or when combined with other information that is  
11 linked or linkable to a specific individual.

12 “(12) The term ‘public information’ means any  
13 information, regardless of form or format, that an  
14 office of the Federal Government discloses, dissemi-  
15 nates, or makes available to the public.

16 “(13) The term ‘publication’ means informa-  
17 tional matter which is published as an individual  
18 document at Federal Government expense, or as re-  
19 quired by law.

20 “(14) The term ‘State’ means, except where  
21 otherwise provided, each of the several States, the  
22 District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto  
23 Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the United States  
24 Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the North-  
25 ern Mariana Islands.



1           “(15) The term ‘trustworthy information sys-  
2           tem’ means an information system that is believed to  
3           be capable of operating within defined levels of risk  
4           despite the environmental disruptions, human errors,  
5           structural failures, and purposeful attacks that are  
6           expected to occur in its environment of operation.

7           “SUBCHAPTER B—PERSONNEL

8   **“§ 121. Deputy Public Printer of the United States**

9           “(a) APPOINTMENT.—The Public Printer shall ap-  
10          point an individual to serve as the Deputy Public Printer  
11          of the United States (hereafter in this title referred to as  
12          the ‘Deputy Public Printer’), who shall have the same  
13          qualifications as the Public Printer under section 102(c)  
14          of this title and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Pub-  
15          lic Printer.

16          “(b) DUTIES.—The Deputy Public Printer shall  
17          carry out such duties as the Public Printer may assign.

18          “(c) SERVICE IN CASE OF VACANCY IN POSITION OF  
19          PUBLIC PRINTER.—In addition to carrying out any duties  
20          assigned under subsection (b), in the case of death, res-  
21          ignation, absence, or illness of the Public Printer, the Dep-  
22          uty Public Printer shall carry out the duties of the Public  
23          Printer until a successor is appointed or the absence or  
24          illness of the Public Printer ends, except that—

1           “(1) the President may direct any other officer  
2 of the Government, whose appointment is vested in  
3 the President by and with the advice and consent of  
4 the Senate, to perform the duties of the vacant of-  
5 fice until a successor is appointed, or the sickness or  
6 absence of the Public Printer ceases; and

7           “(2) in the event of the death or resignation of  
8 the Public Printer, the Deputy Public Printer may  
9 not carry out the duties of the Public Printer in ac-  
10 cordance with this subsection for more than one  
11 year.

12          “(d) COMPENSATION.—The Deputy Public Printer  
13 shall be compensated at an annual rate equal to level III  
14 of the Executive Schedule.

15 **“§ 122. Superintendent of Documents**

16          “(a) APPOINTMENT.—The Public Printer shall ap-  
17 point an individual to serve as the Superintendent of Doc-  
18 uments, without regard to political affiliation and solely  
19 based on professional qualifications to perform the duties  
20 and responsibilities of the position, and who shall serve  
21 at the pleasure of the Public Printer.

22          “(b) DUTIES.—Under the general direction of the  
23 Public Printer, the Superintendent of Documents shall ad-  
24 minister the programs of GPO which provide no-fee public

1 access to Federal information dissemination products  
2 (IDPs) under chapter 5 of this title.

3 “(c) QUALIFICATIONS.—The individual appointed as  
4 the Superintendent of Documents shall be an accom-  
5 plished general manager and practitioner of library and  
6 information sciences, including the identification, acquisi-  
7 tion, authentication, cataloging, dissemination, mainte-  
8 nance, and preservation of information dissemination  
9 products regardless of form or format.

10 “(d) COMPENSATION.—The Superintendent of Docu-  
11 ments shall be compensated at an annual rate equal to  
12 level III of the Executive Schedule.

13 **“§ 123. Other employees**

14 “(a) AUTHORITY TO APPOINT EMPLOYEES.—The  
15 Public Printer may appoint such number of employees as  
16 the Public Printer determines to be necessary to carry out  
17 the functions of the Government Printing Office, except  
18 that the Public Printer may not appoint more employees  
19 than the necessities of the work of the GPO require.

20 “(b) RATES OF COMPENSATION.—

21 “(1) AUTHORITY OF PUBLIC PRINTER TO SET  
22 RATES.—Subject to the succeeding provisions of this  
23 subsection, the rate of compensation of any employee  
24 of the GPO which is not otherwise set forth in this  
25 title, including compensation for night and overtime

1 work, shall be such rate as the Public Printer may  
2 establish, based on what the Public Printer considers  
3 appropriate for the interest of the Government and  
4 just to the individuals employed.

5 “(2) DETERMINATION OF RATES ON BASIS OF  
6 NEGOTIATIONS.—The rate of compensation of an  
7 employee of the GPO who is a member of a group  
8 of 10 or more employees who share the same occu-  
9 pation shall be determined pursuant to negotiations  
10 between the Public Printer and the bargaining rep-  
11 resentatives of such group of employees.

12 “(3) USE OF ARBITRATION IN CASE OF FAIL-  
13 URE TO REACH AGREEMENT.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Public Printer  
15 and the bargaining representatives of a group  
16 of employees fail to reach an agreement on the  
17 compensation of the employees who are mem-  
18 bers of such group, the determination of the  
19 compensation shall be subject to binding arbi-  
20 tration which may be invoked by either the bar-  
21 gaining representative or the Public Printer,  
22 under such terms and conditions as may be  
23 agreed upon by the parties involved.

1                   “(B) ALLOCATION OF COSTS OF ARBITRA-  
2                   TION.—Of the costs of conducting an arbitra-  
3                   tion under this paragraph—

4                   “(i) 50 percent shall be paid by the  
5                   Public Printer; and

6                   “(ii) 50 percent shall be paid by the  
7                   bargaining representatives of the group of  
8                   employees.

9                   “(4) LIMITATION ON FREQUENCY OF ADJUST-  
10                  MENTS TO RATES.—Any rate of compensation estab-  
11                  lished pursuant to this subsection may not be ad-  
12                  justed more frequently than once per calendar year.

13                  “(c) AVAILABILITY OF COMPENSATORY TIME.—The  
14                  Public Printer may grant an employee who is paid on an  
15                  annual basis with compensatory time instead of overtime  
16                  pay for overtime work done by the employee.

17                  **“§ 124. Voluntary separation incentive payments**

18                  “(a) AUTHORITY TO OFFER PAYMENTS.—Notwith-  
19                  standing any other provision of law, in order to avoid or  
20                  minimize the need for involuntary separations due to a  
21                  reduction in force, reorganization, transfer of function, or  
22                  other similar action affecting the GPO, the Public Printer  
23                  may establish a program under which voluntary separation  
24                  incentive payments may be offered to encourage eligible  
25                  employees to separate from service voluntarily (whether by

1 retirement or resignation) during the 5-year period which  
2 begins on the date of the enactment of the **[(insert short**  
3 **title of bill here)]**.

4       “(b) PROCEDURES FOR MAKING PAYMENT.—A vol-  
5 untary separation incentive payment made under this sec-  
6 tion shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of sec-  
7 tion 5597(d) of title 5, United States Code, except that  
8 the amount of such payment may not exceed \$40,000. Any  
9 such payment shall not be a basis of payment, and shall  
10 not be included in the computation, of any other type of  
11 Government benefit.

12       “(c) TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS RETURNING TO  
13 GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT.—

14           “(1) REQUIRING REPAYMENT.—Subject to  
15 paragraph (2), an eligible employee who has received  
16 a voluntary separation incentive payment under this  
17 section and accepts employment with the Govern-  
18 ment of the United States within 5 years after the  
19 date of the separation on which the payment is  
20 based shall be required to repay the entire amount  
21 of the incentive payment to the Government Printing  
22 Office.

23           “(2) WAIVER.—(A) If the employment de-  
24 scribed in paragraph (1) is with an Executive agency  
25 (as defined by section 105 of title 5, United States

1 Code), the Director of the Office of Personnel Man-  
2 agement may, at the request of the head of the  
3 agency, waive the repayment if the individual in-  
4 volved possesses unique abilities and is the only  
5 qualified applicant available for the position.

6 “(B) If the employment described in paragraph  
7 (1) is with an entity in the legislative branch, the  
8 head of the entity or the appointing official may  
9 waive the repayment if the individual involved pos-  
10 sesses unique abilities and is the only qualified appli-  
11 cant available for the position.

12 “(C) If the employment described in paragraph  
13 (1) is with the judicial branch, the Director of the  
14 Administrative Office of the United States Courts  
15 may waive the repayment if the individual involved  
16 possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified  
17 applicant available for the position.

18 “(3) TREATMENT OF EMPLOYMENT UNDER  
19 PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS.—For purposes of  
20 paragraph (1) (but not paragraph (2)), the term  
21 ‘employment’ includes employment under a personal  
22 services contract with the United States.

23 “(d) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
24 tion, the term ‘eligible employee’ means an employee of  
25 the Government Printing Office, serving without limita-

1 tion, who has been currently employed for a continuous  
2 period of at least 12 months, except that such term shall  
3 not include—

4 “(1) a reemployed annuitant under subchapter  
5 III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5, United  
6 States Code, or another retirement system for em-  
7 ployees of the Government;

8 “(2) an employee having a disability on the  
9 basis of which such employee is or would be eligible  
10 for disability retirement under any of the retirement  
11 systems referred to in subparagraph (A);

12 “(3) an employee who is employed on a tem-  
13 porary when actually employed basis.

14 “(e) EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF APPLICABILITY.—  
15 The 5-year period referred to in subsection (a) may be  
16 extended by the Public Printer for additional 5-year peri-  
17 ods if, not later than 90 days prior to the beginning of  
18 any such additional 5-year period, the Public Printer noti-  
19 fies the Committee on House Administration of the House  
20 of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Ad-  
21 ministration of the Senate of the Public Printer’s intent  
22 to extend the period.

23 **“§ 125. Voluntary early retirement authority**

24 “(a) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PROGRAM.—The  
25 Public Printer may establish a program under which the



1 Public Printer offers employees the option of exercising  
2 voluntary early retirement.

3 “(b) ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM.—The Public  
4 Printer shall carry out the program under this section in  
5 accordance with the terms and conditions applicable  
6 under—

7 “(1) section 8336(d)(2) of title 5, with respect  
8 to employees covered by the Civil Service Retirement  
9 System;

10 “(2) section 8414(b)(1)(B) of title 5, with re-  
11 spect to employees covered by the Federal Employ-  
12 ees Retirement System; and

13 “(3) the regulations promulgated to carry out  
14 such sections by the Director of the Office of Per-  
15 sonnel Management.

16 **“§ 126. Special police**

17 “(a) AUTHORITY TO APPOINT POLICE.—The Public  
18 Printer may designate employees of the Government  
19 Printing Office to serve as special police, as both sworn  
20 officers and civilian employees, to protect persons and  
21 property in premises occupied by or under the control of  
22 the GPO and adjacent areas.

23 “(b) POWERS.—Under regulations promulgated by  
24 the Public Printer, employees designed as special police  
25 are authorized—

1           “(1) to bear and use arms in the performance  
2 of their duties;

3           “(2) to make arrest for violations of the laws of  
4 the United States, each of the several States, and  
5 the District of Columbia; and

6           “(3) to enforce the regulations of the Public  
7 Printer, including the removal from GPO premises  
8 of individuals who violate such regulations.

9           “(c) CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.—The jurisdiction  
10 of special police under this section in premises occupied  
11 by or under the control of the GPO and adjacent areas  
12 shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the respective  
13 law enforcement agencies where the premises are located.

14 **“§ 127. Restrictions on detail of employees**

15           “An employee of the Government Printing Office may  
16 not be detailed to another office in the executive, legisla-  
17 tive, or judicial branch to carry out duties which do not  
18 pertain to the functions of GPO unless expressly author-  
19 ized by law.

20 **“§ 128. Night work**

21           “The Public Printer shall cause the work of the Gov-  
22 ernment Printing Office to be done at night as well as  
23 through the day, when the exigencies of the public service  
24 require it.

1 “SUBCHAPTER C—INSPECTOR GENERAL

2 “§ 141. **Inspector General; establishment and appoint-**  
3 **ment**

4 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND APPOINTMENT.—There is  
5 hereby established in the Government Printing Office the  
6 Office of the Inspector General, to be headed by the In-  
7 spector General of the Government Printing Office (here-  
8 after referred to as the ‘Inspector General’).

9 “(b) APPOINTMENT; QUALIFICATIONS.—The Inspec-  
10 tor General shall be appointed by the Public Printer with-  
11 out regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis  
12 of integrity and demonstrated ability in accounting, audit-  
13 ing, financial analysis, law, management analysis, public  
14 administration, or investigations.

15 “(c) SERVICE.—The Inspector General shall report  
16 to, and be under the general supervision of, the Public  
17 Printer. The Public Printer shall have no authority to pre-  
18 vent or prohibit the Inspector General from initiating, car-  
19 rying out, or completing any audit or investigation, or  
20 from issuing any subpoena during the course of any audit  
21 or investigation.

22 “(d) REMOVAL.—The Inspector General may be re-  
23 moved from office by the Public Printer. The Public Print-  
24 er shall, promptly upon such removal, communicate in

1 writing the reasons for any such removal to each House  
2 of the Congress.

3 “(e) COMPENSATION.—The Inspector General shall  
4 be compensated at an annual rate equal to level III of  
5 the Executive Schedule plus 3 percent.

6 **“§ 142. Duties; responsibilities; authorities**

7 “(a) DUTIES.—Sections 4, 5, 6 (other than sub-  
8 section (a)(7) and (8) thereof), and 7 of the Inspector  
9 General Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–452; 5 U.S.C. App.  
10 3) shall apply to the Inspector General of the Government  
11 Printing Office and the Office of such Inspector General,  
12 and such sections shall be applied to the Government  
13 Printing Office and the Public Printer, by substituting—

14 “(1) ‘Government Printing Office’ for ‘estab-  
15 lishment’;

16 “(2) ‘Public Printer’ for ‘head of the establish-  
17 ment’; and

18 “(3) for purposes of section 6(f) of such Act  
19 (relating to the authority to carry a firearm and  
20 make arrests), ‘Public Printer’ for ‘Attorney Gen-  
21 eral’.

22 “(b) STAFF.—The Public Printer is authorized to se-  
23 lect, appoint, and employ such officers and employees as  
24 may be necessary for carrying out the functions, powers,  
25 and duties of the Office of Inspector General subject to

1 the provisions of this title governing selections, appoint-  
2 ments, and employment in the Government Printing Office  
3 (and any regulations thereunder).

4 “(c) ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any audits  
6 the Inspector General is authorized to conduct under  
7 subsection (a), the Inspector General shall audit the  
8 financial and operational activities of the GPO each  
9 year. For the purposes of such audits, the IG shall  
10 have such access to the records, files, personnel, and  
11 facilities of the GPO as the Inspector General con-  
12 siders appropriate.

13 “(2) REPORT.—The Inspector General shall  
14 submit a report on each audit conducted under this  
15 subsection to Congress and the Public Printer.

16 **“§ 143. Independence of budget**

17 “(a) PREPARATION OF BUDGET OF OFFICE OF IN-  
18 SPECTOR GENERAL.—The Inspector General shall prepare  
19 and annually submit to the Public Printer, for inclusion  
20 in the annual budget of the GPO, annual estimates of the  
21 funds necessary to carry out the activities and personnel  
22 requirements of the Office of the Inspector General during  
23 the year involved. The Public Printer shall include in the  
24 annual budget request for the GPO submitted to the  
25 President and Congress the estimates submitted by the

1 Inspector General without revision as the proposed budget  
2 for the Office of the Inspector General for the year.

3 “(b) INDEPENDENCE IN EXPENDING FUNDS.—Any  
4 amounts provided for the Office of the Inspector General  
5 in the annual budget for the GPO for a year may be ex-  
6 pended by the Inspector General without the approval or  
7 direction of the Public Printer.

8 **“CHAPTER 3—IMPLEMENTATION OF**  
9 **AUTHORITIES**

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1 “SUBCHAPTER A—GENERAL AUTHORITIES FOR  
2 GOVERNMENT PRINTING

3 **“§ 301. Responsibilities for government printing**

4 “(a) RESPONSIBILITY OF GPO.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-  
6 vided in this subchapter, the Government Printing  
7 Office is the only entity of the Federal government  
8 authorized to produce or procure printing, binding,  
9 and blank-book work for each office of the legislative  
10 branch, each office of the executive branch (includ-  
11 ing independent establishments of the government),  
12 and each office of the judicial branch (other than the  
13 Supreme Court of the United States).

14 “(2) RESTRICTION ON USE OF APPROPRIATED  
15 FUNDS.—Except to the extent permitted under this  
16 subchapter, none of the funds appropriated for any  
17 fiscal year for the operations of any office of the ex-  
18 ecutive branch may be obligated or expended for the  
19 production or procurement of any printing, binding,  
20 and blank-book work related to the production of  
21 any information dissemination product (including an  
22 IDP in a printed form) unless such procurement is  
23 by or through the Government Printing Office.

24 “(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) does not apply  
25 with respect to any of the following:

1           “(1) The preparation of an information dis-  
2           semination product which is created only for dis-  
3           semination through an electronic communications  
4           system or network, but only if the office responsible  
5           for the product meets the requirements of chapter 5  
6           of this title with respect to the product.

7           “(2) Individual production orders by an office  
8           of the executive branch costing not more than the  
9           greater of \$3,500 or the micro-purchase threshold  
10          under section 1902 of title 41, so long as—

11                   “(A) the work is not of a continuing or re-  
12                   petitive nature; and

13                   “(B) the Public Printer certifies that the  
14                   work is included in a class of work which can-  
15                   not be provided more economically through the  
16                   GPO,

17          but only if the office responsible for the production  
18          order meets the requirements of chapter 5 of this  
19          title with respect to the IDP involved.

20           “(3) The production or procurement of print-  
21           ing, binding, and blank work for the Central Intel-  
22           ligence Agency, the National Geospatial-Intelligence  
23           Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, the De-  
24           fense Intelligence Agency, or the National Security  
25           Agency.



1           “(4) The production or procurement of print-  
2           ing, binding, and blank-book work for the appellate  
3           slip opinions of the United States Courts of Appeal  
4           and notices of the Bankruptcy Noticing Center, but  
5           only if the office responsible for the production of  
6           the opinions meets the requirements of chapter 5 of  
7           this title with respect to the opinions.

8           **“§ 302. Payment for products and services rendered**

9           “(a) OBLIGATION OF OFFICES TO MAKE PAY-  
10          MENT.—

11           “(1) IN GENERAL.—An office of the Federal  
12           government ordering products or services provided  
13           by the Government Printing Office under this sub-  
14           chapter shall make payment for such products or  
15           services to the Public Printer or the Public Printer’s  
16           designee upon written request, either in advance or  
17           upon completion of the work, in an amount equal to  
18           all or part of estimated or actual cost, as the case  
19           may be. Such payment shall be made promptly by  
20           the most efficient means available, including elec-  
21           tronic funds transfer.

22           “(2) ADJUSTMENT OF AMOUNTS.—If an adjust-  
23           ment is required with respect to a payment made in  
24           advance under this section to take into account the  
25           actual cost of delivered work, the adjustment shall

1 be made monthly or quarterly, as may be agreed by  
2 the Public Printer (or the Public Printer's designee)  
3 and the office involved.

4 “(3) SOURCE OF FUNDS USED FOR PAY-  
5 MENT.—An office making a payment to the GPO  
6 under this section shall make the payment using  
7 funds obligated during the fiscal year in which the  
8 order was placed.

9 “(b) DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION OF BILLS.—  
10 The Public Printer or the Public Printer's designee shall  
11 present a bill to an office for which the GPO has provided  
12 products or services under this subchapter not later than  
13 90 days after the work has been completed.

14 “(c) NO AUDIT OR CERTIFICATION OF BILLS IN AD-  
15 VANCE OF PAYMENT.—Bills presented by the Public  
16 Printer or the Public Printer's designee under this section  
17 are not subject to audit or certification in advance of pay-  
18 ment.

19 **“§ 303. Delegation of authority**

20 “(a) CONDITIONS FOR DELEGATION TO OFFICES.—  
21 Subject to subsection (b), at the request of an office of  
22 the Federal Government, the Public Printer may delegate  
23 to such office the authority of the Public Printer under  
24 section 301 to produce or procure printing, binding, and  
25 blank-book work with respect to any of the information

1 dissemination products of such office if the office certifies  
2 each of the following:

3           “(1) The amount of the work involved does not  
4 exceed the simplified purchase threshold under the  
5 Federal Acquisition Regulations.

6           “(2) The office shall carry out the work  
7 through full and open competition through the use  
8 of the competitive procedures required under section  
9 304, using the procedure or combination of proce-  
10 dures that is best suited to the needs of the office  
11 under the circumstances of the work involved.

12           “(3) The office shall make the IDPs involved  
13 available to the Sales Program under subchapter D  
14 at an incremental cost, as requested by the Public  
15 Printer.

16           “(4) The office shall make the IDPs involved  
17 available to the Superintendent of Documents at the  
18 applicable price described in subsection (a)(2) of sec-  
19 tion 503 for inclusion in the national collection of in-  
20 formation dissemination products under chapter 5 of  
21 this title (including cataloging, indexing, and locator  
22 information services under section 506, the online  
23 repository under subchapter B of such chapter 5,  
24 and the Federal Depository Library Program under  
25 subchapter C of such chapter), or has entered into

1 a memorandum of understanding with the Super-  
2 intendent of Documents to establish the terms and  
3 conditions under which the IDPs will be made avail-  
4 able under such chapter.

5 “(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHOR-  
6 ITY REGARDING PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL  
7 PRINTING AND BINDING PROGRAMS.—

8 “(1) AUTHORITY.—In the case of information  
9 dissemination products which are subject to sub-  
10 chapter B of this chapter (including the Congres-  
11 sional Record), the Clerk of the House of Represent-  
12 atives and the Secretary of the Senate may enter  
13 into agreements with entities other than the Public  
14 Printer for the printing and distribution of such  
15 products in accordance with standards established—

16 “(A) by the Clerk, in the case of an IDP  
17 of the House of Representatives;

18 “(B) by the Secretary, in the case of an  
19 IDP of the Senate; or

20 “(C) by the Clerk and the Secretary joint-  
21 ly, in the case of any other IDP.

22 “(2) CRITERIA.—Under the standards estab-  
23 lished under paragraph (1)—

24 “(A) the production and procurement of  
25 the products shall be carried out under competi-

1           tive practices to the greatest extent practicable  
2           consistent with the interest of the Government;  
3           and

4                   “(B) the entity with whom the agreement  
5           is reached shall meet make the IDP involved  
6           available to the Superintendent of Documents  
7           for inclusion in the national collection of infor-  
8           mation dissemination products under chapter 5  
9           of this title (including cataloging, indexing, and  
10          locator information services under section 506,  
11          the online repository under subchapter B of  
12          such chapter 5, and the Federal Depository Li-  
13          brary Program under subchapter C of such  
14          chapter).

15          “(b) DENIAL OF REQUEST FOR DELEGATION.—The  
16          Public Printer may not unreasonably deny a request made  
17          by an office for the delegation of authority under this sec-  
18          tion.

19          “(c) NOTIFICATION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCU-  
20          MENTS.—The Public Printer shall promptly notify the Su-  
21          perintendent of Documents upon granting any request for  
22          the delegation of authority under this section.

23          **“§ 304. Use of competitive procedures**

24          “(a) REQUIRING USE OF COMPETITIVE PROCE-  
25          DURES.—Except as provided in this section and notwith-

1 standing any other provision of law, the production or pro-  
2 curement of an information dissemination product under  
3 this subchapter, whether carried out by the Public Printer  
4 or by an office of the executive branch, the legislative  
5 branch, or the judicial branch pursuant to a delegation  
6 of authority under section 303, shall be carried out using  
7 competitive procedures established under regulations pro-  
8 mulgated by the Public Printer consistent with the re-  
9 quirements of this subchapter.

10 “(b) SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the regulations pro-  
12 mulgated by the Public Printer to carry out this sec-  
13 tion, the Public Printer or the head of an office to  
14 whom the Public Printer has delegated authority  
15 under section 303 (as the case may be) shall solicit  
16 competitive proposals for carrying out the produc-  
17 tion or procurement of an information dissemination  
18 product.

19 “(2) PERMITTING USE OF SEALED BIDS.—Not-  
20 withstanding paragraph (1), the Public Printer or  
21 the head of an office may solicit sealed bids for car-  
22 rying out production or procurement under this sub-  
23 chapter if, in the judgment of the Public Printer or  
24 the head of the office—

1           “(A) time permits the solicitation, submis-  
2           sion, and evaluation of sealed bids;

3           “(B) the award for the production or pro-  
4           curement will be made on the basis of price and  
5           other price-related factors;

6           “(C) it is not necessary to review the bids  
7           with the bidders; and

8           “(D) there is a reasonable expectation of  
9           receiving more than one sealed bid.

10          “(c) ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURES.—Notwithstanding  
11          subsection (a), the Public Printer or the head of an office  
12          to whom the Public Printer has delegated authority under  
13          section 303 may use procedures other than the competitive  
14          procedures required under this section with respect to the  
15          production or procurement of an information dissemina-  
16          tion product if any of the following apply:

17                 “(1) The property or services needed are avail-  
18                 able from only one responsible source and no other  
19                 type of property or service will satisfy the needs of  
20                 the Public Printer or the head of the office.

21                 “(2) The need for the property or services is of  
22                 such an unusual and compelling urgency that the  
23                 Government would be seriously injured unless the  
24                 Public Printer or the head of the office is authorized

1 to limit the number of sources from which the Public  
2 Printer or the head of the office solicits bids.

3 “(3) A specified source for the property or serv-  
4 ices is expressly authorized under law.

5 “(4) The Public Printer or the head of the of-  
6 fice determines that it is necessary in the public in-  
7 terest to use procedures other than competitive pro-  
8 cedures with respect to the particular procurement  
9 concerned.

10 “(d) SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—

11 “(1) USE OF AUTHORITY.—In order to promote  
12 efficiency and economy in contracting and to avoid  
13 unnecessary burdens for the Government and con-  
14 tractors, under the regulations promulgated to carry  
15 out this section, the Public Printer shall provide for  
16 the use of simplified acquisition procedures for a  
17 purchase of property or services under this sub-  
18 chapter by the Public Printer or by the head of an  
19 office to whom the Public Printer has delegated au-  
20 thority under section 303 if the amount of the pur-  
21 chase or the value of the contract for the purchase  
22 does not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold  
23 under section 134 of title 41.

24 “(2) PROHIBITING DIVISION OF PURCHASES OR  
25 CONTRACTS.—The Public Printer or the head of an



1 office may not divide a purchase into multiple pur-  
2 chases, or divide a contract for a purchase into mul-  
3 tiple contracts for a purchase, in order to reduce the  
4 amount of the purchase or contract to an amount  
5 equal to or greater than the simplified acquisition  
6 threshold under section 134 of title 41.

7 “(3) USE OF COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES.—  
8 Under the regulations promulgated to carry out this  
9 section, the Public Printer or the head of an office  
10 using the simplified acquisition procedures under  
11 this section shall apply such procedures in a manner  
12 which promotes competition to the greatest extent  
13 practicable.

14 **“§ 305. Printing and binding for the President**

15 “In addition to producing and procuring information  
16 dissemination products for the executive branch, the Pub-  
17 lic Printer shall execute such printing and binding for the  
18 President as the President may order and make requisi-  
19 tion for.

20 **“§ 306. Paper and envelopes for government agencies**  
21 **in National Capital Region**

22 “The Public Printer may procure and furnish, on req-  
23 uisition, paper and envelopes (not including envelopes  
24 printed in the course of manufacture) in common use by  
25 two or more departments, establishments, or services of

1 the Government in the National Capital Region (as de-  
2 fined in section 8702(3) of title 40) and reimbursement  
3 shall be made to the Public Printer from appropriations  
4 or fund available for the purpose.

5 **“§ 307. Retention of products for use of Government**  
6 **Printing Office**

7 “Out of each information dissemination product pro-  
8 duced or procured by the Public Printer under this chap-  
9 ter, the Public Printer may retain such number of copies  
10 as the Public Printer determines necessary for the official  
11 use of the Government Printing Office.

12 **“§ 308. Regulations**

13 “In accordance with the requirements of chapter 1,  
14 the Public Printer shall promulgate such regulations as  
15 may be necessary to carry out this subchapter, including  
16 regulations with respect to the delegation of authority  
17 under section 303.

18 **“SUBCHAPTER B—CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING**  
19 **AND BINDING**

20 **“§ 321. Congressional printing and binding programs**

21 “(a) **AUTHORITY OF PUBLIC PRINTER.**—The Public  
22 Printer is authorized to perform printing, binding, and  
23 other activities necessary for the production and procure-  
24 ment of information dissemination products of Congress,  
25 and for the dissemination of such products without charge

1 to the recipients, in accordance with the requirements of  
2 this subchapter and (in the case of the Congressional  
3 Record) the requirements of subchapter C.

4 “(b) SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED.—In car-  
5 rying out this subchapter, the Public Printer may carry  
6 out each of the following programs:

7 “(1) The Congressional Record program (in ac-  
8 cordance with subchapter C).

9 “(2) A program to produce and procure mis-  
10 cellaneous information dissemination products of  
11 Congress, including the Congressional Directory, the  
12 Senate and House Journals, memorial addresses of  
13 Members of Congress, and serial sets and IDPs not  
14 carrying a document or report number, such as laws,  
15 treaties, and similar IDPs.

16 “(3) A program of miscellaneous printing, pub-  
17 lishing, and other services, including letterheads, en-  
18 velopes, blank paper, miscellaneous services, blank  
19 forms, composition and content management, con-  
20 tinuity of operations-related expenses for the support  
21 of Congress, and binding for Congress.

22 “(4) A program to detail employees of the Gov-  
23 ernment Printing Office to offices of Congress.

24 “(5) A program to produce and procure docu-  
25 ment envelopes and franks for mailing of Congres-

1 sional documents, whether printed individually or in  
2 sheets with perforations.

3 “(6) A program to produce and procure Busi-  
4 ness and Committee Calendars for Congress which  
5 list actions on pending and completed legislation.

6 “(7) A program to publish bills, resolutions,  
7 and amendments for Congress in all forms, including  
8 prints as introduced, referred, reported, and passed,  
9 as well as slip form copies of public and private  
10 laws, postal conventions, and treaties.

11 “(8) A program to publish reports of Commit-  
12 tees of Congress, including joint and select commit-  
13 tees of Congress.

14 “(9) A program to publish other classes of doc-  
15 uments ordered to be published by a House of Con-  
16 gress which carry a Congressional number, including  
17 annual reports, engineers’ reports, special reports  
18 made by Government departments in response to  
19 resolutions, and supplemental and deficiency esti-  
20 mates of appropriations.

21 “(10) A program to publish the transcripts of  
22 hearings of Committees of Congress.

23 “(11) A program to publish IDPs and other  
24 materials for the internal use of Committees of Con-  
25 gress.

1           “(12) Such other programs involving the pro-  
2           duction or procurement of IDPs and other material  
3           for Congress as the Public Printer may from time  
4           to time establish as new programs or as replace-  
5           ments for another program described in this sub-  
6           section, or as the Clerk of the House of Representa-  
7           tives or the Secretary of the Senate may request.

8           “(c) SPECIAL RULES FOR ACTS AND TREATIES.—

9           “(1) ACTS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.—For pur-  
10          poses of paragraph (7) of subsection (b), the Archi-  
11          vist of the United States shall furnish to the Public  
12          Printer a copy of every Act and joint resolution, as  
13          soon as possible after its approval by the President,  
14          or after it has become a law under the Constitution  
15          without his approval. The Public Printer, on receiv-  
16          ing from the Archivist of the United States a copy  
17          of an Act or joint resolution, shall print an accurate  
18          copy and transmit it in duplicate to the Archivist of  
19          the United States for revision. On the return of one  
20          of the revised duplicates, he shall make the marked  
21          corrections and print the number required under  
22          this subchapter.

23          “(2) TREATIES.—For purposes of paragraph  
24          (7) of subsection (b), the Secretary of State shall  
25          furnish to the Public Printer a copy of each treaty,

1 as soon as possible after ratification. The Public  
2 Printer, on receiving from the Secretary of State  
3 such copy, shall print an accurate copy and transmit  
4 it in duplicate to the Secretary of State for revision.  
5 On the return of one of the revised duplicates, he  
6 shall make the marked corrections and print the  
7 number required under this subchapter.

8 “(d) ROLE OF CLERK OF HOUSE AND SECRETARY  
9 OF SENATE.—Except as may otherwise be provided in this  
10 subchapter, the Public Printer shall carry out the pro-  
11 grams described in subsection (b) in consultation with the  
12 Clerk of the House of Representatives (in the case of pro-  
13 grams involving the House) and the Secretary of the Sen-  
14 ate (in the case of programs involving the Senate).

15 “(e) USE OF SEPARATE APPROPRIATION AS SOURCE  
16 OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT.—The costs of carrying out the  
17 programs described in subsection (b) shall be paid solely  
18 from a separate appropriation made for congressional  
19 printing and binding.

20 **“§ 322. Style, form, and manner of products**

21 “(a) PRODUCTS OF A SINGLE HOUSE OF CON-  
22 GRESS.—The style, form, and manner of the printing of  
23 an information dissemination product (including franks  
24 and envelopes) which is authorized by a single House of

1 Congress shall be determined at the beginning of the Con-  
2 gress—

3 “(1) in the case of an IDP of the House of  
4 Representatives, by the Committee on House Admin-  
5 istration of the House of Representatives, upon rec-  
6 ommendation from the Clerk of the House; or

7 “(2) in the case of an IDP of the Senate, by  
8 the Committee on Rules and Administration of the  
9 Senate, upon recommendation from the Secretary of  
10 the Senate.

11 “(b) JOINT PRODUCTS.—The style, form, and man-  
12 ner of the printing of an information dissemination prod-  
13 uct which is authorized jointly by the House of Represent-  
14 atives and the Senate during a Congress shall be deter-  
15 mined at the beginning of the Congress by the Committee  
16 on House Administration and the Committee on Rules and  
17 Administration, acting jointly, upon recommendations  
18 made jointly by the Clerk of the House and the Secretary  
19 of the Senate.

20 “(c) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING STYLE, FORM,  
21 AND MANNER.—Until the style, form, and manner of the  
22 printing of an IDP (including franks and envelopes) is es-  
23 tablished for a Congress under this section, the style,  
24 form, and manner of the printing of the IDP as estab-

1 lished in the immediately previous Congress shall remain  
2 in effect.

3 “(d) PRINTING IN MULTIPLE EDITIONS.—An IDP  
4 which is subject to this subchapter may be printed in 2  
5 or more editions to meet public requirements, in accord-  
6 ance with rules established—

7 “(1) in the case of an IDP of the House of  
8 Representatives, by the Committee on House Admin-  
9 istration of the House of Representatives;

10 “(2) in the case of an IDP of the Senate, by  
11 the Committee on Rules and Administration of the  
12 Senate; or

13 “(3) in the case of an IDP which is authorized  
14 jointly by the House and Senate, by the Committee  
15 on House Administration and the Committee on  
16 Rules and Administration, acting jointly.

17 **“§ 323. Determination of number of printed copies of**  
18 **documents and reports of Congress**

19 “(a) USUAL NUMBER.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Public Printer shall  
21 print a number of copies of each report or other doc-  
22 ument of Congress equal to the usual number, as de-  
23 termined at the beginning of a Congress—

24 “(A) by the Clerk of the House of Rep-  
25 resentatives (in accordance with guidelines



1 issued by the Committee on House Administra-  
2 tion of the House of Representatives), in the  
3 case of a report or other document of the  
4 House;

5 “(B) by the Secretary of the Senate (in ac-  
6 cordance with guidelines issued by the Com-  
7 mittee on Rules and Administration of the Sen-  
8 ate), in the case of a report or other document  
9 of the Senate; or

10 “(C) by the Clerk and the Secretary acting  
11 jointly (in accordance with guidelines issued  
12 jointly by the Committee on House Administra-  
13 tion and the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
14 tration), in the case of any other document or  
15 report of Congress.

16 “(2) CONTINUATION OF NUMBER FROM PRE-  
17 VIOUS CONGRESS.—Until the usual number is estab-  
18 lished for a Congress under this subsection, the  
19 usual number as established in the immediately pre-  
20 vious Congress shall remain in effect.

21 “(b) ARCHIVAL NUMBER.—

22 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL COP-  
23 IES.—In addition to the usual number of copies  
24 under subsection (a), the Public Printer may print  
25 and bind an archival number of copies of each report

1 or other document of Congress for the use of each  
2 House of Congress for purposes of research and  
3 long-term storage.

4 “(2) DETERMINATION OF ARCHIVAL NUM-  
5 BER.—The archival number of copies of a report or  
6 other document shall be determined—

7 “(A) by the Committee on House Adminis-  
8 tration of the House of Representatives, in the  
9 case of a report or other document of the  
10 House;

11 “(B) by the Committee on Rules and Ad-  
12 ministration of the Senate, in the case of a re-  
13 port or other document of the Senate; or

14 “(C) the Committee on House Administra-  
15 tion and the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
16 tration acting jointly, in the case of any other  
17 document or report of Congress.

18 “(3) STANDARDS FOR TANGIBLE COPIES.—

19 “(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 1  
20 year after the effective date of the **[(insert short**  
21 **title of bill)]**, the Public Printer, in consultation  
22 with the Archivist of the United States, the Li-  
23 brarian of Congress, and other appropriate  
24 stakeholders (as identified by the Public Print-  
25 er), shall establish standards for tangible archi-

1 val copies of reports and other documents of  
2 Congress for purposes of this subsection, and  
3 shall review such standards every 10 years  
4 thereafter.

5 “(B) REVIEW OF EXISTING DOCUMENTS.—  
6 Not later than 1 year after the establishment of  
7 the standards described in subparagraph (A),  
8 the Public Printer, in coordination with the  
9 Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the  
10 Senate, shall analyze the extent to which exist-  
11 ing reports or other documents of Congress fail  
12 to meet such standards and submit a report to  
13 the Committee on House Administration and  
14 the Committee on Rules and Administration  
15 containing such recommendations as the Public  
16 Printer considers appropriate in response.

17 “(c) COPIES FOR USE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF  
18 DOCUMENTS.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the usual  
20 number of copies under subsection (a) and the archi-  
21 val number of copies under subsection (b), the Pub-  
22 lic Printer shall print such number of copies of each  
23 report or other document of Congress as the Super-  
24 intendent of Documents may establish for purposes

1 of furnishing such documents for the Federal Depos-  
2 itory Library Program under chapter 5 of this title.

3 “(2) FORMAT; BINDING.—The Public Printer  
4 shall provide the Superintendent of Documents with  
5 the copies required under this section in unbound  
6 form as soon as practicable after printing is com-  
7 pleted, except that any report or other document of  
8 sufficient size on any one subject (as established by  
9 the Superintendent) shall be bound separately and  
10 receive the title suggested by the subject of the vol-  
11 ume. The Public Printer shall provide that the  
12 bound sets of such reports or other documents are  
13 arranged in volumes and bound in a practical and  
14 economical manner as established by the Super-  
15 intendent.

16 “(d) ADDITIONAL COPIES FOR USE OF CONGRESS  
17 AFTER EXHAUSTION OF INITIAL PRINTING.—After the  
18 supply of printed copies of a report or other document of  
19 Congress made under this section is exhausted, the Public  
20 Printer shall reprint an additional number of copies of the  
21 report or document as follows:

22 “(1) In the case of a document or report of the  
23 House of Representatives, at the direction of the  
24 Clerk of the House and in such number as the Com-

1        mittee on House Administration of the House may  
2        establish.

3            “(2) In the case of a report or document of the  
4        Senate, at the direction of the Secretary of the Sen-  
5        ate and in such number as the Committee on Rules  
6        and Administration of the Senate may establish.

7            “(3) In the case of any other report or docu-  
8        ment of Congress, in such number as the Committee  
9        on House Administration and the Committee on  
10       Rules and Administration may jointly establish.

11        “(e) **ADDITIONAL COPIES UPON REQUEST OF MEM-**  
12 **BERS.**—At the request of a Member of Congress, and upon  
13 prepayment by the Member of the costs involved, the Pub-  
14 lic Printer may reprint additional copies of a document  
15 or other report of Congress for the use of the Member,  
16 in accordance with guidelines established—

17            “(1) by the Committee on House Administra-  
18        tion of the House of Representatives, in the case of  
19        a Member of the House; or

20            “(2) by the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
21        tration of the Senate, in the case of a Senator.

22        **“§ 324. Distribution of copies among offices of Con-**  
23            **gress**

24            “(a) **NUMBER OF COPIES DISTRIBUTED.**—During a  
25 Congress, the Public Printer shall distribute the copies

1 made of an information dissemination product under this  
2 subchapter among offices of Congress in accordance with  
3 a distribution schedule established for the Congress—

4 “(1) by the Committee on House Administra-  
5 tion of the House of Representatives, in the case of  
6 an IDP of the House;

7 “(2) in the case of an IDP of the Senate, by  
8 the Committee on Rules and Administration of the  
9 Senate, in the case of an IDP of the Senate; or

10 “(3) by the Committee on House Administra-  
11 tion and the Committee on Rules and Administra-  
12 tion, acting jointly, in the case of any other IDP.

13 “(b) MECHANISMS FOR DISTRIBUTION.—The appro-  
14 priate mechanism for the distribution of copies under sub-  
15 section (a) shall be determined—

16 “(1) by the Committee on House Administra-  
17 tion, in the case of the distribution of copies to of-  
18 fices of the House; or

19 “(2) by the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
20 tration, in the case of the distribution of copies to  
21 offices of the Senate.

22 **“§ 325. Special rules for certain documents and prod-**  
23 **ucts**

24 “(a) CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY.—Under the direc-  
25 tion of the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the

1 Secretary of the Senate (acting jointly), the Public Printer  
2 may prepare and print a Congressional Directory, includ-  
3 ing supplements and updates, in such number and with  
4 such distribution as the Clerk and Secretary may require.

5 “(b) FRANKS AND ENVELOPES.—

6 “(1) AUTHORITY TO PRINT AT REQUEST OF  
7 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.—At the request of a Mem-  
8 ber of Congress, acting through the Clerk of the  
9 House of Representatives (in the case of a Member  
10 of the House) or the Secretary of the Senate (in the  
11 case of a Senator), the Public Printer shall provide  
12 for the printing of envelopes and stationery con-  
13 taining the Member’s frank for the use of the Mem-  
14 ber, in accordance with guidelines issued—

15 “(A) by the Committee on House Adminis-  
16 tration of the House of Representatives, in the  
17 case of a Member of the House; or

18 “(B) by the Committee on Rules and Ad-  
19 ministration of the Senate, in the case of a Sen-  
20 ator.

21 “(2) PAYMENT OF COSTS.—The guidelines  
22 issued pursuant to paragraph (1) shall include re-  
23 quirements relating to the payment of the costs in-  
24 curred in printing the materials described in such  
25 paragraph.

1 “(c) HOUSE AND SENATE MANUALS.—

2 “(1) RULES AND MANUAL OF THE HOUSE.—At  
3 the request of the Clerk of the House of Representa-  
4 tives, the Public Printer shall print such number of  
5 copies of the Rules and Manual of the House as the  
6 Clerk may require.

7 “(2) SENATE MANUAL.—At the request of the  
8 Secretary of the Senate, the Public Printer shall  
9 print such number of copies of the Senate Manual  
10 as the Secretary may require.

11 “(d) JOURNALS OF HOUSES OF CONGRESS.—

12 “(1) PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION.—At the be-  
13 ginning of each Congress, the Public Printer shall  
14 print the Journals of the Senate and House of Rep-  
15 resentatives for distribution to—

16 “(A) the Senate document room, for dis-  
17 tribution to Senators;

18 “(B) the Senate Library;

19 “(C) the Office of the Secretary of the  
20 Senate;

21 “(D) the Clerk of the House of Represent-  
22 atives, for distribution to Members and for  
23 other purposes established by the Clerk;

24 “(E) the House Library; and



1           “(F) other recipients as may be necessary  
2           to fulfill standing orders or as may be required  
3           under law.

4           “(2) NUMBER OF COPIES.—The number of cop-  
5           ies of the Journals of the Senate and House of Rep-  
6           resentatives which are printed under this subsection  
7           shall be such number as may be determined—

8           “(A) by the Committee on House Adminis-  
9           tration of the House, in the case of the Journal  
10          of the House; or

11          “(B) by the Committee on Rules and Ad-  
12          ministration of the Senate, in the case of the  
13          Journal of the Senate.

14          “(3) ALTERNATIVE FORMATS PERMITTED.—

15          “(A) HOUSE.—As directed by the Com-  
16          mittee on House Administration of the House,  
17          the Clerk of the House may publish the Journal  
18          of the House in an alternative form or format.

19          “(B) SENATE.—As directed by the Com-  
20          mittee on Rules and Administration of the Sen-  
21          ate, the Secretary of the Senate may publish  
22          the Journal of the Senate in an alternative  
23          form or format.

24          “(e) STATIONERY AND BLANK BOOKS.—Upon req-  
25          uisition of the Clerk of the House of Representatives or

1 the Secretary of the Senate (as the case may be) the Pub-  
2 lic Printer shall furnish stationery, blank books, tables,  
3 forms, and other necessary papers preparatory to legisla-  
4 tion as may be required for the official use of the House  
5 of Representatives and Senate, or committees and officers  
6 of the House and Senate. Nothing in the previous sentence  
7 may be construed to prevent the purchase by the officers  
8 of the Senate and House of Representatives of stationery  
9 and blank books necessary for sale to Senators and Mem-  
10 bers in the stationery rooms of the two Houses as provided  
11 by law.

12 “(f) UNITED STATES STATUTES AT LARGE.—

13 “(1) RESTRICTION ON DISTRIBUTION OF PRINT-  
14 ED COPIES.—The printed, bound copies of the  
15 United States Statues at Large may be distributed  
16 only to leadership offices (as determined with re-  
17 spect to a Congress by the Committee on House Ad-  
18 ministration of the House of Representatives in the  
19 case of offices of the House, and by the Committee  
20 on Rules and Administration of the Senate in the  
21 case of offices of the Senate), the Parliamentarians  
22 of the House and Senate, the Law Revision Counsel,  
23 the General Counsels of the House and Senate, and  
24 such other legislative offices as the Committee on

1 House Administration and the Committee on Rule  
2 and Administration may direct.

3 “(2) REFERENCES IN MARGIN.—The Archivist  
4 of the United States shall include in the references  
5 in margins of the United States Statutes at Large  
6 the number of the bill or joint resolution (desig-  
7 nating ‘S.’ for a Senate bill, ‘H.R.’ for a House bill,  
8 ‘S.J. Res.’ for a Senate joint resolution, and ‘H.J.  
9 Res.’ for a House joint resolution, as the case may  
10 be) under which each Act was approved and became  
11 a law, and shall place such information within brack-  
12 ets immediately under the date of the approval of  
13 the Act at the beginning of each Act as printed.

14 **“§ 326. Lapse of authority to print**

15 “(a) LAPSE OF AUTHORITY AFTER 2 YEARS.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority to print an  
17 information dissemination product which is subject  
18 to this subchapter shall lapse if the printing is not  
19 completed prior to the expiration of the 2-year pe-  
20 riod which begins on the date the IDP is authorized  
21 to be printed.

22 “(2) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (1) does not  
23 apply to the printed, bound copies of the United  
24 States Statutes at Large or the permanent version  
25 of the Congressional Record.

1 “(b) WAIVER.—Subsection (a) may be waived with  
2 respect to an IDP upon the direction of—

3 “(1) the Committee on House Administration of  
4 the House of Representatives, in the case of an IDP  
5 of the House;

6 “(2) the Committee on Rules and Administra-  
7 tion of the Senate, in the case of an IDP of the Sen-  
8 ate; or

9 “(3) the Committee on House Administration  
10 and the Committee on Rules and Administration  
11 acting jointly, in the case of any other IDP.

12 **“§ 327. Binding of documents for Members of Con-**  
13 **gress**

14 “(a) AUTHORIZATION OF BINDING.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—At the request of a Mem-  
16 ber of Congress, acting through the Clerk of the  
17 House of Representatives (in the case of a Member  
18 of the House) or the Secretary of the Senate (in the  
19 case of a Senator), and upon payment of the actual  
20 cost of the binding, the Public Printer may bind a  
21 book, map, chart, or other document which is sub-  
22 ject to this subchapter for the use of the Member.

23 “(2) RULES.—The Committee on House Ad-  
24 ministration of the House of Representatives and  
25 the Committee on Rules and Administration of the

1 Senate shall establish rules to govern the use of the  
2 services provided under this section to Members of  
3 the House and Senators (as the case may be).

4 “(b) BINDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARIES.—  
5 Upon requisition of the Clerk of the House of Representa-  
6 tives or the Secretary of the Senate (as the case may be),  
7 the Public Printer may bind books for the library of a  
8 House of Congress, subject to the approval of the Com-  
9 mittee on House Administration of the House of Rep-  
10 resentatives (in the case of the Clerk) or the Committee  
11 on Rules and Administration of the Senate (in the case  
12 of the Senate).

13 “SUBCHAPTER C—CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

14 “§ 341. **Production of Congressional Record**

15 “(a) PRODUCTION.—In accordance with this sub-  
16 chapter and subject to the requirements of this chapter,  
17 chapter 1, and chapter 5 of this title, the Public Printer  
18 shall produce the Congressional Record.

19 “(b) CONTENTS.—The public proceedings of each  
20 House of Congress, as reported by the Official Reporters,  
21 shall be included in the Congressional Record and pub-  
22 lished in a digital format for purposes of chapter 5 of this  
23 title, and shall be issued in daily form during each session  
24 and shall be revised and made available promptly for elec-  
25 tronic distribution during and after the close of each ses-

1 sion of Congress. The daily and the permanent Record  
2 shall bear the same date, which shall be that of the actual  
3 day's proceedings reported.

4 “(c) PRINTING.—Except to the extent permitted  
5 under this chapter and chapter 5 of this title, the Govern-  
6 ment Printing Office shall not print the Congressional  
7 Record.

8 **“§ 342. Style, form, and manner**

9 “(a) DETERMINATION.—

10 “(1) ROLE OF COMMITTEES.—The style, form,  
11 and manner of the printing of the Congressional  
12 Record during a Congress shall be determined at the  
13 beginning of the Congress by the Committee on  
14 House Administration of the House of Representa-  
15 tives and the Committee on Rules and Administra-  
16 tion of the Senate, acting jointly.

17 “(2) ESTABLISHMENT OF METHODS OF  
18 SEARCHING AND INDEXING BY PUBLIC PRINTER.—  
19 The Public Printer shall establish appropriate regu-  
20 lations to facilitate the searching and indexing of the  
21 Congressional Record, including by electronic meth-  
22 ods, and to establish a form of an automatic index  
23 of the Record.

24 “(b) CRITERIA.—In carrying out this section, the  
25 Committees referred to in subsection (a) shall take all

1 needed action for the reduction of unnecessary bulk while  
2 ensuring that the Congressional Record is substantially a  
3 verbatim report of proceedings.

4 “(c) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING STYLE, FORM,  
5 AND MANNER.—Until the style, form, and manner of the  
6 printing of the Congressional Record is established for a  
7 Congress under this section, the style, form, and manner  
8 of the printing of the Congressional Record as established  
9 in the immediately previous Congress shall remain in ef-  
10 fect.

11 **“§ 343. Inclusion of other material**

12 “(a) RESTRICTIONS ON INCLUSION OF MAPS, DIA-  
13 GRAMS, AND ILLUSTRATIONS.—Maps, diagrams, and illus-  
14 trations may not be inserted in the Congressional Record  
15 without the approval of—

16 “(1) the Committee on House Administration of  
17 the House of Representatives, in the portion of the  
18 Record relating to proceedings of the House of Rep-  
19 resentatives; or

20 “(2) the Committee on Rules and Administra-  
21 tion of the Senate, in the portion of the Record re-  
22 lating to proceedings of the Senate.

23 “(b) ADDITIONAL INSERTIONS.—Material other than  
24 the proceedings of Congress may be printed in the Con-

1 gressional Record at such time and in accordance with  
2 such schedule as may be established—

3 “(1) by the Committee on House Administra-  
4 tion of the House of Representatives, in the case of  
5 material printed in the portion of the Record relat-  
6 ing to the proceedings of the House; or

7 “(2) by the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
8 tration of the Senate, in the case of material printed  
9 in the portion of the Record relating to the pro-  
10 ceedings of the Senate.

11 **“§ 344. Printing and delivering extracts of Record for**  
12 **Members of Congress**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Public Printer may print  
14 and deliver, upon the order of a Member of Congress, act-  
15 ing through the Clerk of the House of Representatives (in  
16 the case of a Member of the House) or the Secretary of  
17 the Senate (in the case of a Senator), and payment in  
18 advance of the cost, extracts from the Congressional  
19 Record.

20 “(b) USE OF ENVELOPES.—The Public Printer may  
21 provide for a franked envelope for the mailing of an ex-  
22 tract under subsection (a), upon the order of a Member  
23 of Congress, acting through the Clerk of the House of  
24 Representatives (in the case of a Member of the House)  
25 or the Secretary of the Senate (in the case of a Senator),



1 in accordance with the criteria applicable under this chap-  
2 ter for publishing and providing such envelopes.

3 **“§ 345. Delivery and distribution of copies**

4 “(a) GRATUITOUS COPIES FOR MEMBERS OF CON-  
5 GRESS.—Consistent with subchapter B of this chapter, the  
6 Public Printer shall furnish printed copies of the daily and  
7 bound editions of the Congressional Record to Members  
8 of Congress and offices of Congress at such times and in  
9 such quantities as may be established—

10 “(1) by the Committee on House Administra-  
11 tion of the House of Representatives, in the case of  
12 Members and offices of the House of Representa-  
13 tives; and

14 “(2) by the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
15 tration of the Senate, in the case of Senators and  
16 offices of the Senate.

17 “(b) DISTRIBUTION TO OTHER OFFICES OF THE  
18 GOVERNMENT.—The Public Printer may furnish printed  
19 copies of the daily and bound editions of the Congressional  
20 Record to such other offices of the Government that are  
21 not described in subsection (a) as the Committee on House  
22 Administration and the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
23 tration, acting jointly, may direct, at such times and in  
24 such quantities as such Committees may establish.

1           “SUBCHAPTER D—SALES PROGRAM

2   **“§ 361. Sales program**

3           “(a) AUTHORIZATION OF SALES PROGRAM.—

4           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Public Printer shall  
5           operate a program for the sale of information dis-  
6           semination products to the public.

7           “(2) FORMAT OF PRODUCTS OFFERED.—The  
8           Public Printer may offer products for sale under the  
9           program in any form or format (including tangible  
10          and electronic), except that if the Public Printer  
11          makes alterations to the product by reformatting or  
12          otherwise manipulating the original form or format  
13          of the content of the product to prepare it for sale,  
14          the Public Printer must disclose such alterations on  
15          the product.

16          “(3) EXCLUSION OF CONFIDENTIAL MATE-  
17          RIALS.—The Public Printer may not offer any prod-  
18          uct for sale under the program if the product is con-  
19          fidential in nature.

20          “(b) ACQUISITION OF PRODUCTS.—

21          “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL PRODUC-  
22          TION OR PROCUREMENT.—The Public Printer may  
23          produce or procure additional copies of IDPs for the  
24          use of the sales program, so long as such production  
25          or procurement does not interfere with the prompt

1 execution of IDP production or procurement for the  
2 Government.

3 “(2) REPRINTING OF DOCUMENTS.—In the case  
4 of an IDP which consists of a document, the Public  
5 Printer may from time to time reprint additional  
6 copies of the document for sale under the program,  
7 so long as the Public Printer notifies the office  
8 which created the IDP.

9 “(3) BLANK FORMS.—The Public Printer may  
10 print additional copies of approved Government  
11 forms for sale to the public under the sales program.

12 “(c) RESALE BY COMMERCIAL VENDORS.—

13 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF RESALE.—As part of  
14 the sales program, the Public Printer may authorize  
15 the resale of IDPs by book dealers and other com-  
16 mercial vendors, under such terms and conditions as  
17 the Public Printer may establish.

18 “(2) NO EFFECT ON PUBLIC ACCESS.—Nothing  
19 in paragraph (1) may be construed to remove any  
20 IDP which is subject to resale under such paragraph  
21 (including the original text and the underlying data)  
22 from the public domain, or to waive any requirement  
23 that the IDP be available for no-fee public access  
24 under chapter 5.

1 **“§ 362. Determination of costs of products**

2       “(a) OPERATION OF PROGRAM ON SELF-SUSTAINING  
3 BASIS.—To the greatest extent feasible, the Public Printer  
4 shall operate the sales program under this subchapter on  
5 a self-sustaining basis, so that the prices of the informa-  
6 tion dissemination products sold will cover the cost of pro-  
7 curement or production, dissemination, and other appro-  
8 priate costs associated with of the program as determined  
9 by the Public Printer, including the offering of sales dis-  
10 counts.

11       “(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LI-  
12 BRARY PROGRAM.—The Public Printer shall ensure that  
13 any IDP (regardless of form or format) which is made  
14 available for sale under the sales program is offered to  
15 the Superintendent of Documents for purposes of chapter  
16 5 of this title at no greater than the applicable price de-  
17 scribed in subsection (a)(2) of section 503.

18 **“§ 363. Inventory**

19       “(a) ANNUAL INVENTORY.—The Public Printer shall  
20 conduct an inventory of the sales program under this sub-  
21 chapter each fiscal year and use the results of the inven-  
22 tory to determine stock levels necessary for the next year.

23       “(b) DESTRUCTION OR REMAINDERING OF INVEN-  
24 TORY.—Prior to destroying or remaindering any inventory  
25 of IDPs, the Public Printer shall first offer the inventory  
26 at no cost to—

1           “(1) the Superintendent of Documents for pur-  
2           poses of chapter 5 of this title; and

3           “(2) if the Superintendent rejects the offer, the  
4           office which created the IDPs.

5           **“CHAPTER 5—NO-FEE PUBLIC ACCESS TO**  
6           **GOVERNMENT INFORMATION**

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1 “SUBCHAPTER A—NATIONAL COLLECTION OF  
2 INFORMATION DISSEMINATION PRODUCTS

3 **“§ 501. Findings; purpose**

4 “(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

5 “(1) The free flow of government information is  
6 fundamental to a democratic society, and members  
7 of the public have a right of access to government  
8 information.

9 “(2) The Federal Depository Library Program  
10 is an essential means by which members of the pub-  
11 lic access government information. These libraries  
12 partner with the Government Printing Office and of-  
13 fices of the Federal Government to ensure that  
14 members of the public throughout the United States  
15 have effective, no-fee access to government informa-  
16 tion.

17 “(3) The majority of government information  
18 produced is in electronic format. As a result, 97%  
19 of the information available through the Federal De-  
20 pository Library Program is in electronic format.

21 “(4) Government has a responsibility to dis-  
22 seminate information in order to ensure that mem-  
23 bers of the public are fully aware of the activities of  
24 their government, to spur innovation and research,  
25 and to promote good government.

1 “(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this chapter to  
2 promote the greatest possible public access to information  
3 dissemination products by authorizing the Superintendent  
4 of Documents to—

5 “(1) establish a national collection of informa-  
6 tion dissemination products and to provide no-fee,  
7 permanent public access to such collection through  
8 an online repository established and operated by the  
9 Public Printer under subchapter B and through the  
10 Federal Depository Library Program under sub-  
11 chapter C;

12 “(2) carry out a cataloging and indexing pro-  
13 gram for the products in such national collection;  
14 and

15 “(3) carry out a by-law distribution program  
16 and an international exchange service program  
17 under subchapter D.

18 **“§ 502. National collection of information dissemina-**  
19 **tion products**

20 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF COLLECTION.—In accord-  
21 ance with this subchapter, the Superintendent of Docu-  
22 ments shall establish a comprehensive, national collection  
23 of information dissemination products which are deter-  
24 mined to be appropriate for inclusion in the collection, and  
25 shall make such collection available to the public through

1 the online repository established and operated by the Pub-  
2 lic Printer under subchapter B and through the Federal  
3 Depository Library Program under subchapter C.

4 “(b) DETERMINATION OF PRODUCTS TO BE IN-  
5 CLUDED IN COLLECTION.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
7 graph (4), the determination regarding whether or  
8 not an information dissemination product is appro-  
9 priate for inclusion in the national collection under  
10 this subchapter shall be made jointly by the Super-  
11 intendent of Documents and the applicable official.

12 “(2) GUIDANCE.—The Superintendent of Docu-  
13 ments shall issue guidance to offices on the types or  
14 characteristics of information dissemination products  
15 that the Superintendent considers generally appro-  
16 priate for inclusion in the national collection.

17 “(3) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Superintendent  
18 of Documents or the appropriate official shall rec-  
19 ommend information dissemination products for in-  
20 clusion in the national collection.

21 “(4) SPECIAL RULE FOR PRODUCTS MADE  
22 AVAILABLE ON WEBSITES OF OFFICES.—In the case  
23 of an information dissemination product which an  
24 office disseminates in electronic form to the public at  
25 no cost, the Superintendent may make the deter-



1       mination under paragraph (1) without the participa-  
2       tion of the applicable official.

3               “(5) LIST OF PRODUCTS NOT INCLUDED.—The  
4       Superintendent of Documents shall publish a list,  
5       not less frequently than annually, of the titles of in-  
6       formation dissemination products about which the  
7       Superintendent and the appropriate official have not  
8       reached a joint determination regarding whether or  
9       not the product is appropriate for inclusion in the  
10      national collection.

11             “(c) APPLICABLE OFFICIAL DEFINED.—In this sub-  
12     chapter, the ‘applicable official’ with respect to an infor-  
13     mation dissemination product is as follows:

14               “(1) In the case of an IDP originating in an of-  
15     fice of the executive branch, the head of the office  
16     in which the IDP originated.

17               “(2) In the case of an IDP originating in an of-  
18     fice of the legislative branch, the head of the office  
19     in which the IDP originated, except that—

20                     “(A) if the IDP originated in an office of  
21     the House of Representatives, the ‘applicable  
22     official’ is the Clerk of the House of Represent-  
23     atives; and

1           “(B) if the IDP originated in the Senate,  
2           the ‘applicable official’ is the Secretary of the  
3           Senate.

4           “(3) In the case of an IDP originating in the  
5           judicial branch, the Director of the Administrative  
6           Office of the United States Courts or the Clerk of  
7           the United States Supreme Court (as the case may  
8           be).

9   **“§ 503. Responsibility of offices of Government to fur-**  
10           **nish products to Superintendent of Docu-**  
11           **ments**

12           “(a) REQUIREMENT TO FURNISH PRODUCTS.—

13           “(1) IN GENERAL.—If an office of the Federal  
14           government produces or procures an information dis-  
15           semination product, regardless of form or format,  
16           the applicable official shall furnish the product to  
17           the Superintendent of Documents for inclusion in  
18           the national collection established and maintained  
19           under this subchapter at the applicable price de-  
20           scribed in paragraph (2), not later than the date on  
21           which the product is made available to the public.

22           “(2) APPLICABLE PRICE DESCRIBED.—In para-  
23           graph (1), the ‘applicable price’ with respect to an  
24           information dissemination product is—

1           “(A) in the case of a product in electronic  
2           form which the office involved disseminates to  
3           the public at no cost, \$0; or

4           “(B) in the case of any other product, such  
5           price as may be appropriate, but not to exceed  
6           the actual cost to the office involved of pro-  
7           ducing an additional copy of the product.

8           “(b) FORM AND FORMAT.—

9           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In furnishing an informa-  
10          tion dissemination product to the Superintendent of  
11          Documents under this subchapter, the applicable of-  
12          ficial shall deposit with and notify the Super-  
13          intendent of digital or tangible (as applicable)  
14          versions of such IDP, regardless of the form or for-  
15          mat of the product, in such manner as will enable  
16          the Superintendent to perform cataloging, indexing,  
17          and locator services with respect to the IDP under  
18          section 506.

19          “(2) SPECIAL RULE FOR INCOMPATIBLE FOR-  
20          MATS.—

21          “(A) PROVIDING LOCATION AND ACCESS.—

22          If the form or format of an IDP is not compat-  
23          ible with the electronic systems of the Govern-  
24          ment Printing Office, the applicable official  
25          shall meet the requirements of this section by

1 providing the Superintendent with information  
2 on where the content of the IDP is held and  
3 how the Superintendent may access the content,  
4 and by providing access to and preserving the  
5 content of the IDP.

6 “(B) CATALOGING, PUBLIC ACCESS, AND  
7 PRESERVATION.—The Superintendent, in con-  
8 sultation with the applicable official, shall deter-  
9 mine the best method to catalog, provide public  
10 access to (including through the Federal Depos-  
11 itory Library Program under subchapter C),  
12 and preserve an IDP which is subject to sub-  
13 paragraph (A).

14 “(c) NOTIFICATIONS REGARDING CHANGES IN PRO-  
15 Duction OR Procurement OF PRODUCTS.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The applicable official shall  
17 immediately notify the Superintendent of the intent  
18 of an office to produce or procure, substantially  
19 modify, or terminate the production of an informa-  
20 tion dissemination product, regardless of form or  
21 format, in order to enable the Superintendent to  
22 continue to provide public access to the product  
23 under this chapter, including access through the  
24 Federal Depository Library Program under sub-  
25 chapter C at the applicable price described in sub-

1 section (a)(2). Nothing in this paragraph shall be  
2 construed to affect the application of section 3506 of  
3 this title to any office or applicable official.

4 “(2) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Superintendent of  
5 Documents shall publish in the Federal Register,  
6 and provide timely notice to the public and the Fed-  
7 eral Depository Libraries under subchapter C, of no-  
8 tifications received under paragraph (1). In the case  
9 of notifications that an office intends to terminate  
10 the production of an information dissemination  
11 product, eliminate the production or availability in  
12 tangible form of an information dissemination prod-  
13 uct, or otherwise limit the provision of public access  
14 to an information dissemination product to only elec-  
15 tronic means, the Superintendent of Documents  
16 shall provide such notice not later than 10 days  
17 after receiving the notification.

18 “(3) RESTRICTIONS ON AUTHORITY TO ELIMI-  
19 NATE PRINTED COPIES OF PRODUCTS.—An office  
20 may not terminate the production of an information  
21 dissemination product, eliminate the production or  
22 availability in tangible form of an information dis-  
23 semination product, or otherwise limit the provision  
24 of public access to such product to only electronic  
25 means, until the expiration of the 70-day period

1       which begins on the date the head of the office noti-  
2       fies the Superintendent of Documents of the intent  
3       to terminate such production, eliminate such produc-  
4       tion or availability in tangible form, or limit such ac-  
5       cess to electronic means (as the case may be).

6       “(d) FAILURE TO FURNISH PRODUCT.—If an appli-  
7       cable official fails to furnish an IDP to the Superintendent  
8       of Documents under this section—

9               “(1) the Superintendent is authorized to obtain  
10       the IDP; and

11               “(2) the office of the applicable official shall re-  
12       imburse the Superintendent for the costs incurred in  
13       obtaining and disseminating the IDP.

14       “(e) COLLECTION OF PRODUCTS IN COLLECTION OF  
15       FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES.—In addition to ob-  
16       taining IDPs from offices of the Federal government, the  
17       Superintendent of Documents may enter into arrange-  
18       ments with a Federal Depository Library under sub-  
19       chapter C to obtain from such Library any IDPs in the  
20       Library’s own collection of documents and materials and  
21       the metadata associated with any such IDPs.

22       “(f) ROLE OF PUBLIC PRINTER.—The Super-  
23       intendent of Documents shall carry out this section under  
24       the supervision of the Public Printer, who shall be respon-

1 sible for ensuring the compliance of offices of the Federal  
2 government with this section.

3 “(g) EFFECTIVE DATE; TRANSITION RULE FOR  
4 ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS FURNISHED TO DEPOSITORY LI-  
5 BRARIES.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—This section shall apply  
7 with respect to any information dissemination prod-  
8 uct produced or procured on or after the effective  
9 date of the **[(insert short title of bill)]**.

10 “(2) FURNISHING ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS TO  
11 FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES DURING TRANSI-  
12 TION.—

13 “(A) INVENTORY OF PRODUCTS.—Not  
14 later than 1 year after the date of the enact-  
15 ment of the **[(insert short title of bill)]**, the ap-  
16 plicable official of each office shall provide the  
17 Superintendent of Documents with an inventory  
18 of, and access to, all electronic information dis-  
19 semination products (as defined in section 505)  
20 which originated in the office prior to the effec-  
21 tive date of such Act.

22 “(B) FURNISHING OF PRODUCTS TO LI-  
23 BRARIES.—If, in the same manner applicable to  
24 information dissemination products under sec-  
25 tion 502(b), the Superintendent and the appli-

1 cable official determine that a product in the in-  
2 ventory provided under subparagraph (A) would  
3 be appropriate for inclusion in the national col-  
4 lection under this subchapter (if the product  
5 were procured or produced after the effective  
6 date of the **[(insert short title of bill)]**), the ap-  
7 plicable official shall furnish the product to the  
8 Superintendent for distribution to Federal De-  
9 pository Libraries under subchapter C, as de-  
10 termined by the Superintendent.

11 “(C) COSTS.—The cost of furnishing an  
12 IDP to a Federal Depository Library under this  
13 paragraph shall be paid by the Superintendent  
14 of Documents.

15 **“§ 504. Requirements for agreements to produce or**  
16 **procure products**

17 “(a) NOTIFICATION TO SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCU-  
18 MENTS.—An office of the Federal government may not  
19 enter into a contract for the procurement of production  
20 of an information dissemination product by any entity  
21 other than the Public Printer, regardless of form or for-  
22 mat, unless each of the following requirements is met:

23 “(1) Prior to entering into the contract, the ap-  
24 plicable official notifies the Superintendent of Docu-  
25 ments.



1           “(2) The contract includes a requirement that  
2           the office shall ensure that the product will be fur-  
3           nished to the Superintendent in accordance with the  
4           requirements of this chapter, including any require-  
5           ment regarding the number, type, and format of  
6           copies of the product.

7           “(3) The contract includes a requirement that  
8           the office shall meet such conditions as the Super-  
9           intendent may require to ensure no-fee public access  
10          to the product in accordance with this chapter.

11          “(b) PRIOR CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE TO SUPER-  
12 INTENDENT.—No production or procurement of an IDP  
13 may take place under a contract described in subsection  
14 (a) until the applicable official verifies that notice of the  
15 contract was provided to the Superintendent of Docu-  
16 ments.

17          “(c) ROLE OF PUBLIC PRINTER.—The Super-  
18 intendent of Documents shall carry out this section under  
19 the supervision of the Public Printer, who shall be respon-  
20 sible for ensuring the compliance of offices of the Federal  
21 government with this section.

22          “**§ 505. Special requirements for electronic informa-**  
23                            **tion dissemination products**

24          “(a) TYPES OF MATERIAL REQUIRED TO BE FUR-  
25 NISHED TO SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS.—For

1 purposes of section 503, upon request of the Super-  
2 intendent of Documents, the applicable official shall  
3 promptly provide the Superintendent with copies of, or ac-  
4 cess to, electronic files and metadata or other digital de-  
5 scriptive material associated with an electronic informa-  
6 tion dissemination product (including any relevant mate-  
7 rial necessary for the Superintendent to provide locator  
8 services) which will enable the Superintendent to provide  
9 permanent public access to the IDP through the online  
10 repository under subchapter B and through the Federal  
11 Depository Library Program under subchapter C.

12 “(b) SPECIAL RULES FOR PRODUCTS MADE AVAIL-  
13 ABLE ON WEBSITES OF ORIGINATING OFFICES.—

14 “(1) SHARING OF METADATA WITH PUBLIC  
15 PRINTER.—If an office of the Government makes an  
16 electronic information dissemination product of the  
17 office available to the public through the office’s  
18 website, the head of the office shall ensure that the  
19 Public Printer (acting through the Superintendent  
20 of Documents) has the appropriate metadata associ-  
21 ated with the product to enable the Public Printer  
22 to provide a link to the product through the online  
23 repository under subchapter B.

24 “(2) TREATMENT OF ONLINE FEE-FOR-SERVICE  
25 PROGRAMS.—If an office of the Government makes

1       IDPs available to the public online under a fee-for-  
2       service program, the office shall ensure that the Su-  
3       perintendent of Documents has access to such serv-  
4       ices, at a cost no greater than the applicable price  
5       described in section 503(a)(2), so that the Super-  
6       intendent may make such services available to Fed-  
7       eral Depository Libraries under subchapter C.

8       “(c) ONLINE PUBLIC ACCESS DURING TRANSITION  
9       TO ONLINE REPOSITORY.—If, at any time after the effec-  
10      tive date of the **[(insert short title of bill)]**, the online re-  
11      pository under subchapter B is not in operation, each of-  
12      fice in which an electronic information dissemination prod-  
13      uct originates shall provide permanent public access to the  
14      IDP through an electronic communications system or net-  
15      work.

16      **“§ 506. Cataloging, indexing, locator services, and**  
17                              **digitization of information dissemination**  
18                              **products**

19      “(a) CATALOGING, INDEXING, AND LOCATOR SERV-  
20      ICES.—The Superintendent of Documents shall—

21                      “(1) perform cataloging, locator, and indexing  
22                      services with respect to the information dissemina-  
23                      tion products included in the national collection  
24                      under this subchapter;

1           “(2) perform cataloging, locator, and indexing  
2 services with respect to any information dissemina-  
3 tion products which are not included in the national  
4 collection because they were created prior to the ef-  
5 fective date of the **[(insert short title of bill)]**; and

6           “(3) make the resulting cataloging, locator, and  
7 indexing information available for no-fee public ac-  
8 cess under the program described in subsection (b),  
9 and as part of the national collection under this sub-  
10 chapter.

11       “(b) CATALOG OF GOVERNMENT PRODUCTS.—

12           “(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF CATALOG.—The Su-  
13 perintendent of Documents shall establish and main-  
14 tain a Catalog of Government Products consisting of  
15 a comprehensive set of metadata, including the Dig-  
16 ital Object Identifier, associated with information  
17 dissemination products, including existing products  
18 which are not yet catalogued, and may make the  
19 records of such Catalog available in other biblio-  
20 graphic utilities that support widely available record  
21 sharing.

22           “(2) NATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORDS IN-  
23 VENTORY.—The Superintendent shall carry out a  
24 program to bring fugitive documents under biblio-  
25 graphic control and to make records associated with

1 such documents available through the Catalog estab-  
2 lished and maintained under paragraph (1) and  
3 other appropriate bibliographic utilities.

4 “(c) DIGITIZATION.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Superintendent of  
6 Documents is authorized to digitize, to the greatest  
7 extent practicable, all information dissemination  
8 products created at any time, and to include such  
9 products in digitized form in the national collection  
10 under this subchapter.

11 “(2) AUTHENTICATION.—To the greatest extent  
12 practicable, the Superintendent shall identify the  
13 chain of custody or other provenance of IDPs in the  
14 national collection under this subchapter which are  
15 in digitized form, and shall verify that such IDPs  
16 are complete and unaltered.

17 “(d) AUTHORIZING ACTIVITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT  
18 BY OTHER ENTITIES.—

19 “(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Superintendent of  
20 Documents may enter into an agreement with an-  
21 other entity of the Federal government or a private  
22 entity (including a Federal Depository Library  
23 under subchapter C) to carry out any of the activi-  
24 ties authorized under this section, in accordance  
25 with regulations promulgated under this subchapter.

1 “(2) TREATMENT OF WORK PRODUCT AS WORK  
2 OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR PURPOSES OF  
3 COPYRIGHT.—For purposes of section 105 of title  
4 17, any work product produced under an agreement  
5 entered into under paragraph (1) shall be considered  
6 a work of the United States Government.

7 **“§ 507. Collection development plan**

8 “(a) PLAN.—The Superintendent of Documents shall  
9 establish a collection development plan for the national  
10 collection of information dissemination products under  
11 this subchapter, taking into consideration the require-  
12 ments of the online repository under subchapter B and  
13 the needs of the Federal Depository Library Program  
14 under subchapter C.

15 “(b) REGULATIONS.—The collection development  
16 plan under this section shall be carried out in accordance  
17 with regulations promulgated under this subchapter.

18 **“§ 508. Policies for recall and withdrawal of products**  
19 **from national collection**

20 “(a) LIMITATION ON RECALL AND WITHDRAWAL.—  
21 An information dissemination product may not be recalled,  
22 withdrawn, or otherwise removed from the national collec-  
23 tion under this subchapter except as provided under the  
24 policies described in subsection (b).

1       “(b) POLICIES.—The Superintendent of Documents  
2 shall carry out each of the following policies with respect  
3 to the information dissemination products included in the  
4 national collection under this subchapter:

5           “(1) A policy for the recall of IDPs, regardless  
6 of form or format, in order to ensure compliance  
7 with relevant law, which takes into consideration the  
8 need of preserving materials for archival purposes  
9 with the National Archives and Records Administra-  
10 tion.

11           “(2) A policy for the withdrawal of IDPs, re-  
12 gardless of form or format, in a manner consistent  
13 with the requirements of sections 543 and 544.

14           “(3) A policy for the deaccession of IDPs, re-  
15 gardless of form or format.

16           “(4) A policy for the disposal of IDPs, regard-  
17 less of form or format.

18       “(c) REGULATIONS.—Each of the policies under this  
19 section shall be carried out in accordance with regulations  
20 promulgated under this subchapter.

1 “SUBCHAPTER B—ONLINE REPOSITORY

2 “§ 521. Establishment and operation of online reposi-  
3 tory for no-fee access to information dis-  
4 semination products

5 “(a) ONLINE REPOSITORY.—The Public Printer shall  
6 establish and operate a trustworthy information system  
7 and online repository through which members of the public  
8 may obtain, at no charge, information dissemination prod-  
9 ucts which are included in the national collection estab-  
10 lished and maintained under subchapter A.

11 “(b) OPEN AND BULK FORMATS.—To the greatest  
12 extent practicable, the online repository shall provide users  
13 with access to IDPs in open, machine-readable, and non-  
14 proprietary formats, and be available for bulk download  
15 with the relevant metadata incorporated.

16 “(c) PRESERVATION OF PRODUCTS.—The Public  
17 Printer shall ensure the preservation for permanent public  
18 access of information dissemination products included in  
19 the online repository, including through a program pro-  
20 viding for the permanent retention of digital materials.

21 “§ 522. Authentication of products

22 “(a) REQUIRING AUTHENTICATION.—To the greatest  
23 extent practicable, the Public Printer shall ensure that  
24 each information dissemination product made available on  
25 the online repository under this subchapter is authenti-



1 cated, identify the product’s chain of custody or other  
2 provenance, and verify that the product is complete and  
3 unaltered.

4 “(b) IDENTIFICATION OF NON-AUTHENTICATED  
5 PRODUCTS.—The Public Printer shall ensure that if any  
6 IDP on the online repository is not authenticated, the lack  
7 of authentication shall be noted on the IDP.

8 **“§ 523. Privacy of users**

9 “(a) PROTECTING USER PRIVACY.—Not later than  
10 180 days after the date of the enactment of the **[(insert**  
11 *short title of bill)], the Superintendent of Documents shall  
12 implement measures to protect the privacy of individuals  
13 using the online repository under this subchapter, and  
14 shall ensure that such measures provide users with at least  
15 the same level of privacy as provided under section 552a  
16 of title 5 (commonly known as the Privacy Act of 1974)  
17 and section 208 of the E-Government Act of 2002 (Public  
18 Law 107-347; set out as a note under section 3501 of  
19 this title).*

20 “(b) REGULATIONS.—This section shall be carried  
21 out in accordance with regulations promulgated under this  
22 subchapter.

1 “SUBCHAPTER C—FEDERAL DEPOSITORY  
2 LIBRARY PROGRAM

3 “§ 541. No-fee access to products through Federal De-  
4 pository Libraries

5 “The Public Printer, acting through the Super-  
6 intendent of Documents, shall operate a program under  
7 which, in accordance with this subchapter—

8 “(1) the Superintendent of Documents shall  
9 designate libraries as Federal Depository Libraries,  
10 including Selective Depository Libraries, Regional  
11 Depository Libraries, and Preservation Depository  
12 Libraries;

13 “(2) the Superintendent shall furnish, at no  
14 cost, to each library designated as a Federal Deposi-  
15 tory Library under this subchapter access to the na-  
16 tional collection of information dissemination prod-  
17 ucts under subchapter A, including—

18 “(A) complete access to cataloging, index-  
19 ing, and locator information services under sec-  
20 tion 506;

21 “(B) complete access to the online reposi-  
22 tory under subchapter B; and

23 “(C) such information dissemination prod-  
24 ucts in tangible form as are provided for in this  
25 subchapter; and

1           “(3) each such Federal Depository Library  
2           shall provide free access to the collection to members  
3           of the public.

4   **“§ 542. Requirements for Federal Depository Librar-**  
5           **ies**

6           “(a) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED.—Each  
7           library designated as a Federal Depository Library under  
8           this subchapter shall meet the following requirements:

9           “(1) The library shall provide members of the  
10          public with no-fee access to all of the information  
11          dissemination products furnished to the library by  
12          the Superintendent of Documents under this chap-  
13          ter, in electronic format by providing internet access  
14          to the online repository under subchapter B and to  
15          cataloging, indexing, and locator services under sec-  
16          tion 506, and in any tangible format held under this  
17          subchapter.

18          “(2) The library shall ensure that a member of  
19          the library’s staff who is knowledgeable about the  
20          use of the online repository is reasonably available to  
21          assist patrons with the use of the repository.

22          “(3) The library shall meet such other addi-  
23          tional requirements as the Superintendent may es-  
24          tablish by regulations promulgated under this sub-  
25          chapter.

1 “(b) OPTIONAL DIGITAL DEPOSIT.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—At the option of the Li-  
3 brary, a Federal Depository Library may receive an  
4 electronic, digital deposit directly from the Super-  
5 intendent of Documents of such information dissemi-  
6 nation products as are available in suitable electronic  
7 form, in accordance with regulations promulgated  
8 under this subchapter.

9 “(2) PROTECTING PRIVACY OF USERS.—If the  
10 Library permits individuals to seek access to IDPs  
11 which are hosted on its own server in accordance  
12 with this subsection, the Library shall comply to the  
13 extent practicable with the same measures imple-  
14 mented by the Superintendent of Documents to pro-  
15 tect the privacy of individuals who seek access to  
16 IDPs through the use of online repository under  
17 subchapter B.

18 “(c) CRITERIA FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—  
19 The Superintendent shall establish the additional require-  
20 ments referred to in subsection (a) in accordance with reg-  
21 ulations promulgated under this subchapter. Such regula-  
22 tions shall encourage participation by a broad and diverse  
23 group of libraries, and may not establish a limit on the  
24 number of libraries which may be designated under this  
25 section.

1           “(d) AVAILABILITY OF TRAINING PROGRAM FOR USE  
2 OF LIBRARIES.—

3           “(1) DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAM.—The Su-  
4 perintendent shall develop a training and continuing  
5 education program which may be used by Federal  
6 Depository Libraries to promote the ability of the  
7 Libraries to understand the operation of the pro-  
8 gram under this subchapter and the content of the  
9 materials furnished to the Libraries under the pro-  
10 gram.

11           “(2) OPTIONAL USE OF PROGRAM.—The use by  
12 any Federal Depository Library of the program de-  
13 veloped under paragraph (1) shall be optional for  
14 the Library.

15 **“§ 543. Selective Depository Libraries**

16           “(a) SELECTIVE DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES DE-  
17 SCRIBED.—A library which is designated as a Federal De-  
18 pository Library may, at its request, be designated as a  
19 Selective Depository Library if the Library meets the fol-  
20 lowing requirements:

21           “(1) The Library provides access to selected in-  
22 formation dissemination products in tangible form  
23 as provided by the Superintendent of Documents,  
24 under regulations promulgated under this sub-  
25 chapter.

1           “(2) The Library agrees to maintain its collec-  
2           tion of such IDPs in tangible form for a minimum  
3           of 5 years after receipt, unless the Superintendent  
4           authorizes earlier withdrawal.

5           “(3) The Library collaborates with a Regional  
6           Depository Library (as designated under section  
7           544) on the maintenance of a regional collection of  
8           such IDPs in tangible form.

9           “(4) A Member of Congress makes a rec-  
10          ommendation to the Superintendent that the Library  
11          should be designated as a Selective Depository Li-  
12          brary.

13          “(b) REGULATIONS; LIMITATION ON NUMBER.—The  
14          Superintendent shall carry out this section in accordance  
15          with regulations promulgated under this subchapter. Such  
16          regulations shall provide for a limit on the number of Li-  
17          braries designated as Selective Depository Libraries under  
18          this section.

19          **“§ 544. Regional Depository Libraries**

20          “(a) REGIONAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES DE-  
21          SCRIBED.—A library which is designated as a Federal De-  
22          pository Library may, at its request, be designated as a  
23          Regional Depository Library if the Library meets the fol-  
24          lowing requirements:

1           “(1) The Library agrees to receive its informa-  
2           tion dissemination products from the Superintendent  
3           of Documents for purposes of this subchapter in  
4           tangible form, except that the Library may decline  
5           to receive an IDP in tangible form if—

6                   “(A) the IDP is available through the on-  
7                   line repository under subchapter B; and

8                   “(B) an appropriate number of copies in a  
9                   sufficient number of Federal Depository Librar-  
10                  ies have been identified for preservation by the  
11                  Superintendent.

12           “(2) The Library provides access to all IDPs  
13           under this subchapter regardless of form or format.

14           “(3) The Library coordinates and collaborates  
15           with Selective Depository Libraries to maintain ac-  
16           cess to its collection of tangible IDPs, including  
17           IDPs which were in its collection prior to designa-  
18           tion as a Regional Depository Library under this  
19           section, and may do so by housing some of its collec-  
20           tion at one or more Selective Depository Libraries.

21           “(4) The Library agrees to provide services  
22           under this subchapter to Selective Depository Li-  
23           braries under agreements facilitated by the Super-  
24           intendent of Documents, in accordance with regula-  
25           tions promulgated under this subchapter.

1           “(5) A Senator makes a recommendation to the  
2           Superintendent that the Library should be des-  
3           ignated as a Regional Depository Library.

4           “(b) WITHDRAWAL OF COLLECTION OF TANGIBLE  
5           IDPs.—A Regional Depository Library may withdraw  
6           from its collection of IDPs under this subchapter any of  
7           the tangible IDPs which were in its collection prior to the  
8           Library’s designation as a Regional Depository Library,  
9           but only if—

10           “(1) the withdrawn IDP is available through  
11           the online repository under subchapter B; and

12           “(2) the Superintendent of Documents has de-  
13           termined that an appropriate number of copies of  
14           such withdrawn IDPs remain available in a suffi-  
15           cient number of Federal Depository Libraries.

16           “(c) RELOCATION OF COLLECTION OF TANGIBLE  
17           IDPs.—If a collection of information dissemination prod-  
18           ucts in tangible form is relocated from a Regional Deposi-  
19           tory Library to another Federal Depository Library under  
20           this subchapter (including relocation resulting from the se-  
21           lective discarding of such products and the acceptance of  
22           such discarded products by another Federal Depository  
23           Library), the Public Printer shall pay the costs of the relo-  
24           cation, including related cataloging and transportation  
25           costs.



1       “(d) REGULATIONS; CONTENTS.—The Super-  
2 intendent shall carry out this section in accordance with  
3 regulations promulgated under this subchapter. Such reg-  
4 ulations shall—

5           “(1) in establishing criteria for agreements be-  
6 tween Regional Depository Libraries and Selective  
7 Depository Libraries (as described in paragraph (4)  
8 of subsection (a)), give preference to any consortia  
9 and similar collaborative efforts in effect between  
10 such Libraries, without regard to geographic restric-  
11 tions;

12           “(2) limit the number of Regional Depository  
13 Libraries located in any State to 2; and

14           “(3) to the greatest extent practicable, provide  
15 for the designation of at least 2 Regional Depository  
16 Libraries in each census region.

17 **“§ 545. Preservation Depository Libraries**

18       “(a) PRESERVATION DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES DE-  
19 SCRIBED.—A library which is designated as a Federal De-  
20 pository Library may, at its request, be designated as a  
21 Preservation Depository Library if the Library enters into  
22 an agreement with the Superintendent of Documents to  
23 assist the Superintendent with the preservation of infor-  
24 mation dissemination products in the national collection  
25 under subchapter A.

1           “(b) LOCATION OF PRODUCTS.—Under an agreement  
2 under this section, a Preservation Depository Library may  
3 preserve IDPs (regardless of form or format) by housing  
4 them at its own location or by coordinating and managing  
5 all or part of collections of IDPs which are housed at other  
6 Federal Depository Libraries.

7           “(c) REGULATIONS.—The Superintendent shall carry  
8 out this section in accordance with regulations promul-  
9 gated under this subchapter. Under such regulations, the  
10 Superintendent shall seek to designate Preservation De-  
11 pository Libraries in a manner which promotes geographic  
12 diversity.

13 **“§ 546. Procedures for designation**

14           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Superintendent of Docu-  
15 ments may designate a library as a Federal Depository  
16 Library under this subchapter if the Library provides the  
17 Superintendent (at such time and in such form as the Su-  
18 perintendent may require) such information and assur-  
19 ances as the Superintendent may require to determine  
20 that the library will meet the applicable requirements of  
21 this subchapter, in accordance with regulations promul-  
22 gated under this subchapter.

23           “(b) TERMINATION OF DESIGNATION.—

24                   “(1) TERMINATION.—The designation of a li-  
25 brary as a Federal Depository Library under this

1 subchapter may be terminated by the Super-  
2 intendent—

3 “(A) if the Superintendent determines that  
4 the library does not meet the applicable require-  
5 ments for designation under this subchapter; or

6 “(B) at the request of the library.

7 “(2) CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION.—The de-  
8 termination by the Superintendent under subpara-  
9 graph (A) of paragraph (1) shall be made in accord-  
10 ance with regulations promulgated under this sub-  
11 chapter which shall provide for a reasonable oppor-  
12 tunity for remediation.

13 **“§ 547. Grants and other assistance**

14 “(a) AUTHORIZATION OF GRANT-MAKING.—The  
15 Public Printer, acting through the Superintendent of Doc-  
16 uments, may provide grants and other forms of financial  
17 assistance to an eligible Federal Depository Library under  
18 this subchapter.

19 “(b) USE OF GRANT.—An eligible Federal Deposi-  
20 tory Library may use the financial assistance provided  
21 under this section to carry out its functions under sub-  
22 chapter A and section 506, including—

23 “(1) to support the collection of the metadata  
24 associated with information dissemination products  
25 in the possession of the Library so that the Library

1       may furnish the metadata to the Superintendent for  
2       purposes of the cataloging and indexing carried out  
3       under subchapter A;

4             “(2) to catalog and index information dissemi-  
5       nation products in the possession of the Library and  
6       to furnish the resulting cataloging and indexing in-  
7       formation to the Superintendent for purposes of sec-  
8       tion 506;

9             “(3) to digitize information dissemination prod-  
10      ucts created at any time so that the Library may  
11      furnish such products in digitized form to the Super-  
12      intendent for inclusion in the national collection  
13      under subchapter A;

14            “(4) to preserve information dissemination  
15      products in the possession of the Library; and

16            “(5) to carry out other activities as may be pro-  
17      vided under regulations promulgated under this sub-  
18      chapter.

19            “(c) ELIGIBILITY.—A Federal Depository Library is  
20      eligible to receive financial assistance under this section  
21      if the Library submits to the Superintendent of Docu-  
22      ments, at such time and in such form as the Super-  
23      intendent may require, an application containing such in-  
24      formation and assurances as the Superintendent may re-  
25      quire.



1 “(b) FOREIGN DISSEMINATION.—

2 “(1) UNITED STATES LEGATIONS AND CON-  
3 SULATES.—The Superintendent may disseminate an  
4 information dissemination product to a legation or  
5 consulate of the United States only if the Secretary  
6 of State, by an order to be recorded in the State De-  
7 partment, determines that the dissemination is suit-  
8 able for and required by the legation and consulate.

9 “(2) FOREIGN LEGATIONS.—The Super-  
10 intendent may disseminate an information dissemi-  
11 nation product to a foreign legation to the United  
12 States only upon request of the Secretary of State,  
13 and only in such number as the Secretary provides  
14 in the request. The Superintendent may disseminate  
15 an IDP to a foreign legation to the United States  
16 without cost only if the government of such legation  
17 furnishes copies of its printed and legislative docu-  
18 ments to legations of the United States.

19 “(e) LIBRARY OF CONGRESS AND CONGRESSIONAL  
20 RESEARCH SERVICE.—

21 “(1) NUMBER OF COPIES.—For each fiscal  
22 year, the Superintendent shall furnish a number of  
23 full and partial sets of information dissemination  
24 products in a timely manner—

1           “(A) to the Library of Congress, based on  
2           a determination made by the Librarian of Con-  
3           gress and transmitted to the Superintendent of  
4           the number of sets necessary for the Library to  
5           provide services to Congress and to maintain its  
6           collections for such fiscal year; and

7           “(B) to the Congressional Research Serv-  
8           ice, based on a determination made by the Di-  
9           rector of the Congressional Research Service  
10          and transmitted to the Superintendent of the  
11          number of sets necessary to provide services to  
12          Congress for such fiscal year.

13          “(2) PAYMENTS.—The Librarian of Congress  
14          and the Director of the Congressional Research  
15          Service shall make a payment for the costs incurred  
16          by the Superintendent in furnishing IDPs under this  
17          subsection, and for the related costs of carrying out  
18          this subsection, based on the incremental costs of  
19          printing, using funds appropriated to the Librarian  
20          and Director for such purpose.

21          **“§ 562. International Exchange Service Program**

22          “(a) DISSEMINATION THROUGH LIBRARIAN OF CON-  
23          GRESS.—For each fiscal year, the Superintendent shall  
24          furnish a number of full and partial sets of information  
25          dissemination products in a timely manner to the Library

1 of Congress to enable the Librarian of Congress to meet  
2 the requirements of international exchange service pro-  
3 grams for such fiscal year, based on a determination made  
4 by the Librarian of Congress and transmitted to the Su-  
5 perintendent of the number of sets necessary for such pur-  
6 pose.

7       “(b) PAYMENT.—The Librarian shall make a pay-  
8 ment to the Superintendent for the costs incurred by the  
9 Superintendent in furnishing IDPs under this section, and  
10 for the related costs of carrying out this subsection, based  
11 on the incremental costs of printing, using funds appro-  
12 priated to the Librarian for such purpose.

13       “(c) INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE SERVICE PRO-  
14 GRAMS DESCRIBED.—In this section, an ‘international ex-  
15 change service program’ is any program to fully carry into  
16 effect the convention concluded at Brussels on March 15,  
17 1886, and proclaimed by the President of the United  
18 States on January 15, 1889, and all subsequent bilateral  
19 and multilateral treaties and agreements under which the  
20 Librarian of Congress administers an exchange program  
21 by providing copies of Government publications for dis-  
22 tribution to foreign governments which agree, as indicated  
23 by the Librarian, to send to the United States similar pub-  
24 lications of their governments for delivery to the Library  
25 of Congress.



1 **“§ 563. Acceptance of gifts**

2 “The Public Printer may accept and use gifts and  
3 bequests of property (both real and personal) and services  
4 in support of the Superintendent’s responsibilities under  
5 this chapter.

6 **“§ 564. Authorities of Public Printer**

7 “(a) PLENARY AUTHORITY TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AC-  
8 CESS TO PRODUCTS.—Consistent with this chapter and  
9 other applicable laws, the Public Printer may take such  
10 measures as the Public Printer considers necessary to en-  
11 sure the timely dissemination of information dissemination  
12 products to the public and to expand and improve the  
13 maintenance of permanent public access to such products.

14 “(b) REGULATIONS.—Any regulations required to  
15 carry out any subchapter of this chapter shall be promul-  
16 gated by the Public Printer, on behalf of the Super-  
17 intendent of Documents, in accordance with the require-  
18 ments of section 107.

19 **“§ 565. Source of funds used to carry out programs**  
20 **and activities**

21 “The costs of carrying out any programs and activi-  
22 ties under this chapter shall be paid solely from a separate  
23 appropriation made for the activities of the Super-  
24 intendent of Documents (or from gifts and bequests ac-  
25 cepted under section 563.”.

1 **SEC. 102. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 44, UNITED**  
2 **STATES CODE.**

3 (a) PREPARATION OF FEDERAL REGISTER AND  
4 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS.—(1) The last sen-  
5 tence of section 1504 is amended by striking “by sections  
6 1705 and 1708 of this title” and inserting “by subchapter  
7 D of chapter 3 of this title”.

8 (2) Section 1509(a) is amended—

9 (A) in the first sentence, by striking “section  
10 309” and inserting “section 103”; and

11 (B) in the second sentence, by striking “section  
12 309(b)” and inserting “section 103(c)”.

13 (b) OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title 44,  
14 United States Code, is further amended—

15 (1) by striking chapters 17 and 19;

16 (2) in section 3511(a)(3), by striking “the Di-  
17 rector of the Government Publishing Office” and in-  
18 serting “the Public Printer”; and

19 (3) by striking chapters 39 and 41.

20 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters  
21 for title 44, United States Code, is amended—

22 (1) by striking the items relating to chapters 1,  
23 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13 and inserting the following:

“CHAPTER 1—GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

“CHAPTER 3—IMPLEMENTATION OF AUTHORITIES

“CHAPTER 5—NO-FEE PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION”;  
AND

1           (2) by striking the items relating to chapters  
2       17, 19, 39, and 41.

3 **SEC. 103. OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

4       (a) TITLE 1, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section 212  
5 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by striking “the  
6 Superintendent of Documents” and inserting “the Public  
7 Printer of the United States”.

8       (b) PROVISIONS OF LAW CODIFIED IN TITLE 2,  
9 UNITED STATES CODE.—(1) Public Law 94–551 is  
10 amended—

11           (A) in subsection (a) of the first undesignated  
12 section (2 U.S.C. 28b(a)), by striking “as a public  
13 document”;

14           (B) in subsection (b) of the first undesignated  
15 section (2 U.S.C. 28b(b)), by striking “section 701  
16 of title 44, United States Code” and inserting “sub-  
17 chapter B of chapter 3 of title 44, United States  
18 Code”;

19           (C) in section 2(b) (2 U.S.C. 28c(b)), by strik-  
20 ing “the Superintendent of Documents” and insert-  
21 ing “the Public Printer of the United States”; and

22           (D) in section 2(c)(14) (2 U.S.C. 28c(c)(14)),  
23 by striking “the Superintendent of Documents” and  
24 inserting “the Public Printer of the United States”.

1           (2) Section 2(c)(2)(A) of the History of the House  
2 Awareness and Preservation Act (2 U.S.C. 183(c)(2)(A))  
3 is amended by striking “chapter 5 of title 44, United  
4 States Code” and inserting “subchapter A of chapter 3  
5 of title 44, United States Code”.

6           (c) TITLE 4, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section  
7 145(a) of title 4, United States Code, is amended—

8                 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “Super-  
9           intendent of Documents,”; and

10                (2) in paragraph (3)—

11                         (A) by striking “the Superintendent of  
12 Documents” and inserting “the Public Printer  
13 of the United States”; and

14                         (B) by striking “the Joint Committee on  
15 Printing” and inserting “the Committee on  
16 House Administration of the House of Rep-  
17 resentatives and the Committee on Rules and  
18 Administration of the Senate, acting jointly”.

19           (d) PROVISION OF LAW CODIFIED IN TITLE 15,  
20 UNITED STATES CODE.—The Joint Resolution entitled  
21 “Joint resolution to print the monthly publication entitled  
22 ‘Economic Indicators’”, approved June 23, 1949 (15  
23 U.S.C. 1025), is amended by striking “the Superintendent  
24 of Documents” each place it appears and inserting “the  
25 Public Printer of the United States”.

1 (e) PROVISION OF LAW CODIFIED IN TITLE 16,  
2 UNITED STATES CODE.—Section 312 of the Federal  
3 Water Power Act (16 U.S.C. 825k) is amended by striking  
4 “the Joint Committee on Printing” each place it appears  
5 and inserting “the Committee on House Administration  
6 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on  
7 Rules and Administration of the Senate, acting jointly”.

8 (f) TITLE 28, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section  
9 411(a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended by  
10 striking “the Joint Committee on Printing” and inserting  
11 “the Committee on House Administration of the House  
12 of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Ad-  
13 ministration of the Senate, acting jointly”.

14 (g) TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section  
15 1344(b)(8) of title 31, United States Code, is amended  
16 by striking “the Comptroller General of the United  
17 States” and inserting “the Comptroller General of the  
18 United States, the Librarian of Congress, the Public  
19 Printer of the United States,”.

20 (h) TITLE 40, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section  
21 113(e)(17) of title 40, United States Code, is amended  
22 by striking “the Joint Committee on Printing” and insert-  
23 ing “the Public Printer of the United States”.

1 **SEC. 104. REFERENCES IN LAW.**

2 (a) REFERENCES TO GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OF-  
3 FICE.—Any reference to the Government Publishing Of-  
4 fice in any law, rule, regulation, or other official paper  
5 in effect as of the effective date of this Act shall be consid-  
6 ered to refer and apply to the Government Printing Office.

7 (b) REFERENCES TO DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT  
8 PUBLISHING OFFICE.—Any reference to the Director of  
9 the Government Publishing Office in any law, rule, regula-  
10 tion, or other official paper in effect as of the effective  
11 date of this Act shall be considered to refer and apply to  
12 the Public Printer of the United States.

13 **TITLE II—TRANSITION**

14 **SEC. 201. TERMINATION OF EXISTING AUTHORITIES OF**  
15 **JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.**

16 Any letter, regulation, resolution, rule, or waiver  
17 issued prior to the effective date of this Act by the Joint  
18 Committee on Printing with respect to the operations and  
19 activities of the Government Printing Office shall have no  
20 force or effect.

21 **SEC. 202. TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS CURRENTLY HOLD-**  
22 **ING POSITIONS.**

23 (a) DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OF-  
24 FICE.—For purposes of title 44, United States Code, as  
25 amended by this Act, the individual holding the position  
26 of the Director of the Government Publishing Office as

1 of the effective date of this Act shall be deemed to meet  
2 the qualifications for the position of Public Printer of the  
3 United States, and shall be deemed to have been first ap-  
4 pointed to such position starting on the effective date of  
5 this Act.

6 (b) DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT PUB-  
7 LISHING OFFICE.—For purposes of title 44, United States  
8 Code, as amended by this Act, the individual holding the  
9 position of the Director of the Government Publishing Of-  
10 fice as of the effective date of this Act shall be deemed  
11 to meet the qualifications for the position of Public Printer  
12 of the United States, and shall be deemed to have been  
13 first appointed to such position starting on the effective  
14 date of this Act.

15 (c) OTHER POSITIONS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of title 44,  
17 United States Code, as amended by this Act, any in-  
18 dividual who, as of the effective date of this Act,  
19 holds any of the positions described in paragraph  
20 (2)—

21 (A) shall be deemed to meet the qualifica-  
22 tions for the position under such; and

23 (B) shall be deemed to have been first ap-  
24 pointed to the position starting on the effective  
25 date of this Act.

1           (2) POSITIONS DESCRIBED.—The positions de-  
2           scribed in this paragraph are as follows:

3                   (A) Superintendent of Documents.

4                   (B) Inspector General of the Government  
5           Publishing Office.

6   **SEC. 203. TRANSITION FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEES OF CON-**  
7                   **GRESSIONAL RECORD INDEX PROGRAM.**

8           (a) COMPLETION OF INDEX FOR ONE HUNDRED FIF-  
9   TEENTH CONGRESS.—Notwithstanding any amendment  
10 made by this Act, the Public Printer shall ensure the com-  
11 pletion of the Congressional Record Index for the One  
12 Hundred Fifteenth Congress, as described in section 902  
13 of title 44, United States Code (as in effect before the  
14 effective date of this Act).

15          (b) OFFERING OF VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCEN-  
16 TIVE PAYMENTS AND VOLUNTARY EARLY RETIRE-  
17 MENT.—Upon the completion of the Congressional Record  
18 Index for the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress, the Public  
19 Printer shall provide each employee of the Government  
20 Printing Office who, as of the effective date of this Act,  
21 is assigned to the Congressional Record Index program  
22 pursuant to section 902 of title 44, United States Code,  
23 with the opportunity to exercise one of the following op-  
24 tions:



1           (1) The option to receive a voluntary separation  
2           incentive payment pursuant to the program under  
3           section 124 of such title (as amended by this Act).

4           (2) The option of exercising voluntary early re-  
5           tirement under section 125 of such title (as amended  
6           by this Act).

7           (3) The option to be reassigned to another pro-  
8           gram of the Government Printing Office, as deter-  
9           mined by the Public Printer, without reduction in  
10          salary, grade, or benefits.

11          (c) DEFAULT.—If an employee does not exercise one  
12          of the options described in subsection (b) prior to the expi-  
13          ration of the 15-day period which begins on the date the  
14          Public Printer notifies the employee of the completion of  
15          the Congressional Record Index for the One Hundred Fif-  
16          teenth Congress, the employee shall be deemed to have ex-  
17          ercised the option described in paragraph (3) of such sub-  
18          section.

19          (d) SPECIAL RULE ON SOURCE OF FUNDS.—Not-  
20          withstanding any provision of title 44, United States Code,  
21          to the contrary, if an employee exercises the option to re-  
22          ceive a voluntary separation incentive payment under this  
23          section, the funds used to make such payment shall be  
24          derived from the appropriation made to the Public Printer  
25          for congressional printing and binding.

1 **SEC. 204. TRANSITION FOR EXISTING DEPOSITORY LIBRAR-**  
2 **IES.**

3 For purposes of chapter 5 of title 44, United States  
4 Code, as amended by this Act—

5 (1) each institution which, as of the effective  
6 date of this Act, is designated as a depository library  
7 under chapter 19 of such title (as in effect prior to  
8 such date) shall be deemed to have been designated  
9 as a Federal Depository Library under chapter 5 of  
10 such title on the effective date of this Act;

11 (2) each institution which, as of the effective of  
12 this Act, is designated as a selective depository li-  
13 brary under chapter 19 of such title (as in effect  
14 prior to such date) shall be deemed to have been  
15 designated as a Selective Depository Library under  
16 chapter 5 of such title on the effective date of this  
17 Act; and

18 (3) each institution which, as of the effective  
19 date of this Act, is serving a regional depository li-  
20 brary under chapter 19 of such title (as in effect  
21 prior to such date) shall be deemed to have been  
22 designated as a Regional Depository Library under  
23 chapter 5 of such title on the effective date of this  
24 Act.

1       **TITLE III—EFFECTIVE DATE**

2   **SEC. 301. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3       Except as otherwise provided, this Act and the  
4 amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to  
5 the first fiscal year which begins after the date of the en-  
6 actment of this Act and each succeeding fiscal year.