

## **Title 44 Excerpts**

The United States Code - Title 44

**PUBLIC PRINTING AND DOCUMENTS**

And Miscellaneous Statutes Identify the Authority of the Joint Committee on Printing  
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### **CHAPTER 5 - PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF PRINTING AND BINDING**

Section 501. Government printing, and blank-book work for Congress, the Executive Office, the Judiciary, other than the Supreme Court of the United States, and every executive department, independent office and establishment of the Government, shall be done at the Government Printing Office, except-

(1) classes of work the Joint Committee on Printing considers to be urgent or necessary to have done elsewhere; and

(2) printing in field printing plants operated by an executive department, independent office of establishment, and the procurement of printing by an executive department, independent office or establishment from allotments for contract field printing, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing.

Printing or binding may be done at the Government Printing Office only when authorized by law.

Section 502. Procurement of printing, binding, and blank-book work by Public Printer

Printing, binding and blank-book work authorized by law, which the Public Printer is not able or equipped to do at the Government Printing Office, may be produced elsewhere under contracts made by him with the approval of the Joint Committee on Printing.