

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING  
RESOLUTION  
Agenda Item #5

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Printing was created by law to establish policy for the Government Printing Office and for the Federal printing establishment, and it has always been the policy of the Joint Committee on Printing to supervise and conduct Government printing business on a cost-effective and efficient basis; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Printing recognizes the need to provide the Public Printer with appropriate flexibility and discretion to manage the Government Printing Office as mandated by Title 44, United States Code;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Public Printer shall at the earliest opportunity advise and consult with the Joint Committee on Printing in formulating plans to acquire or test newly-developed processes, equipment, or services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Public Printer shall submit annually, an annual plan, consisting of a capital equipment budget, together with a detailed description and justification of all proposed purchases, leases, rentals or contracts for services, and a description and justification for the execution of any interagency agreements. After approval of such plan by the Joint Committee on Printing, the Public Printer shall not enter into any purchase, contract, lease, or rental where the cost exceeds \$100,000, or any interagency agreement where the cost exceeds \$20,000 annually, which are not included in the annual plan, without advance written approval by the Joint Committee on Printing. This requirement shall not apply to the procurement of printing services from commercial sources as part of the Federal Printing Procurement Program, or to the procurement of paper and envelopes as specified by other provisions of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Public Printer is hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of Section 517 of Title 44, United States Code, to procure competitively on the open market, paper and envelopes when the quantity of such items is 250,000 pounds or less, or when the cost of such a purchase is \$150,000 or less; and that the Public Printer shall submit a monthly report of all such purchases to the Joint Committee on Printing which shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of Section 512 of Title 44, United States Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following resolutions are hereby rescinded: Resolutions Nos. 1 and 2, dated February 10, 1970; the unnumbered resolution dated July 9, 1937; the portion of the unnumbered resolution dated December 11, 1973, pertaining to reporting requirements; and the unnumbered resolution announced on April 30, 1981.

DATED:

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Chairman

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Vice Chairman

APPROVED: \$20,000 for Interagency  
\$50,000 for Contracts

April 9, 1987