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MEMORANDUM

TO: Designated Agency Ethics Official

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SUBJECT: 18 U.S.C. § 209 Guidance

Attached is a [summary of 18 U.S.C. § 209](#), which prohibits the supplementation of a Government employee's salary by outside sources. The Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is currently studying possible revisions of the statutes found in Chapter 11 of Title 18, and, in light of that review, has decided not to issue regulations addressing Section 209 at this time. However, much of the content of any such regulation would have been based on existing case law, Office of Legal Counsel opinions, and OGE Informal Advisory Opinions. This summary has been prepared based on that material, and is designed to assist in the interpretation and application of Section 209. For questions about this guidance, please feel free to contact R. Andrew Falcon, Associate General Counsel, at (202) 208-8000, ext. 1280.

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