

TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION 3: SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

§ 3101. Social Security Administrator: Compensation.

The Social Security insurance program authorized by this division shall be administered by the U.S. Commissioner of Social Security through his nominee acting for the United States in accordance with Covenant § 606(a). The U.S. Commissioner of Social Security shall consult with the Commonwealth Legislature before nominating an individual to serve as Social Security Administrator. Any individual nominated by the U.S. Commissioner of Social Security to carry out his administrative responsibilities in the Commonwealth shall be confirmed as the Social Security Administrator of the Northern Mariana Islands by the Governor. The Governor shall fix the compensation of the Social Security Administrator and members of the administrator's staff as employees of the Commonwealth government within the limits of available funds budgeted for the administration of this division. A Social Security Administrator so confirmed may serve in that position until such time as the U.S. Commissioner of Social Security rescinds the nomination or nominates a successor. If an employee of an agency of the federal government of the United States is nominated and confirmed as Social Security Administrator, the Governor shall direct the administrator to transfer to such agency out of the budgeted funds an amount not to exceed the compensation fixed for the Social Security Administrator pursuant to this section on a basis agreed to between the Governor and the head of such agency.

Source: DL 5-12, § 1.

Commission Comment: The Commission inserted a colon in place of a dash in the heading of this section to conform the heading to the style used elsewhere in the code. According to PL 3-90, § 7(a) (reprinted in the preface material, prior to title 1), "section headings . . . do not in any manner affect the scope, meaning, or intent of the provisions of this Code."

With respect to the Commission's splitting of this division into two parts in the January 1997 revision of the Commonwealth Code, see the comment to 3 CMC § 3001.