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# 5 U.S. Code § 3101 - General authority to employ

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Each Executive agency, military department, and the government of the District of Columbia may employ such number of employees of the various classes recognized by [chapter 51 of this title](#) as Congress may appropriate for from year to year.

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