

“(2) change the title of any officer or activity of the Department of the Navy not prescribed by law; and

“(3) prescribe regulations to carry out his functions, powers, and duties under this title.”.

(3) Section 5032 is transferred to the end of such chapter and redesignated as section 5013a.

(4) Such chapter is further amended by adding after section 5013a (as transferred and redesignated by paragraph (3)) the following new sections:

**“§ 5014. Office of the Secretary of the Navy**

10 USC 5014.

“(a) There is in the Department of the Navy an Office of the Secretary of the Navy. The function of the Office is to assist the Secretary of the Navy in carrying out his responsibilities.

“(b) The Office of the Secretary of the Navy is composed of the following:

“(1) The Under Secretary of the Navy.

“(2) The Assistant Secretaries of the Navy.

“(3) The General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

“(4) The Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

“(5) The Naval Inspector General.

“(6) The Chief of Naval Research.

“(7) Such other offices and officials as may be established by law or as the Secretary of the Navy may establish or designate.

“(c)(1) The Office of the Secretary of the Navy shall have sole responsibility within the Office of the Secretary of the Navy, the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, and the Headquarters, Marine Corps, for the following functions:

“(A) Acquisition.

“(B) Auditing.

“(C) Comptroller (including financial management).

“(D) Information management.

“(E) Inspector General.

“(F) Legislative affairs.

“(G) Public affairs.

“(2) The Secretary of the Navy shall establish or designate a single office or other entity within the Office of the Secretary of the Navy to conduct each function specified in paragraph (1). No office or other entity may be established or designated within the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations or the Headquarters, Marine Corps, to conduct any of the functions specified in paragraph (1).

“(3) The Secretary shall—

“(A) prescribe the relationship of each office or other entity established or designated under paragraph (2)—

“(i) to the Chief of Naval Operations and the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and

“(ii) to the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Headquarters, Marine Corps; and

“(B) ensure that each such office or entity provides the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Marine Corps such staff support as each considers necessary to perform his duties and responsibilities.

“(4) The vesting in the Office of the Secretary of the Navy of the responsibility for the conduct of a function specified in paragraph (1) does not preclude other elements of the executive part of the Department of the Navy (including the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and the Headquarters, Marine Corps) from providing