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**Get a Statute by Citation**
- Sign on with your ID & Password at www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool
- Click the Research link on the right to access LexisNexis.
- Click the Get a Document tab at the top of the page.
- Type 18 U.S.C. 3109 in the Get by Citation form and click the red Get button.

Use the blue Citation Formats link when you are unsure of the proper format to retrieve a citation.

**Get a Statute by Popular Name**
- Click the Search tab at the top of the page.
- Click by Source in the red bar beneath.
- Type Cyber Security Enhancement Act of 2002 as a terms and connectors search.
- Bullet Table of Contents and click the red Search button.

Retrieve the Public Law, P.L. 107-296, to see the Act as enacted and where it is codified within the United States Code.

**Search Statutes through Table of Contents Headings**
- Click the Search tab at the top of the page.
- Click by Source in the red bar beneath.
- Click States Legal–U.S. > Ohio > Find Statutes, Regulations, Administrative Materials & Court Rules > OH – Pages’ Ohio Revised Code Annotated.
- Type Burglary as a terms and connectors search.
- Bullet Table of Contents and click the red Search button.

If you want to search a specific title of a code then scroll down and check the box next to the desired title before clicking the search button.

**Use the Practitioner’s Toolbox**
- Retrieve 18 U.S.C. 3109 through the Get a Document tab.
- The Practitioner’s Toolbox is located to the right of the statute’s heading.
- 1. History—provides a link to the statute’s direct history.
- 2. Interpretive Notes and Decisions—provides a link to a topical table of contents for the cases citing the statute (also called annotations).
- 3. History; Ancillary Laws and Directives—provides a link to the statute’s indirect history.
- 4. Related Statutes & Rules—provides links to related statutes and rules.
- 5. Research Guide—provides links to related secondary sources.

Use the Practitioner’s Toolbox to quickly and easily locate related cases, statutes and secondary sources.
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Find Statutory Interpretation through Annotations
- Retrieve 18 U.S.C. 3109 through the Get a Document tab.
- Click Interpretive Notes and Decisions in the Practitioner's Toolbox.
- Click the green down arrow for Warrantless searches.

Shepardizing™ Statutes
- Click the Shepard's® tab at the top of the page.
- Type 18 U.S.C. 2234 in the Enter the Citation to be Checked form and click the red Check button.
- Select the link for Exact match from the report list.

Printing Statutes Only
- Click the Print icon at the top right of the statute.
- Select Custom in the drop-down menu under Document View.
- Click the Edit button.
- Click the Clear All button and select the Text segment.
- Click the OK button then the red Print button.

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