

## United States Code Service

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Example	history (1994 amendment)
NOTES	contains all notes pertaining to a document.
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Example	section (privacy)
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