

## Find and Update Federal Statutes Using Lexis

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This presentation will cover how to find and update federal statutes on Lexis.

There are several methods to find federal statutes on Lexis.

This presentation will show you how to find federal statutes on Lexis by:

- Citation
- Topic
- Popular Name
- Table of Contents

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## Find a Federal Statute by Citation on Lexis

When you are researching you may come across a citation in pleadings, case law, or a secondary source.

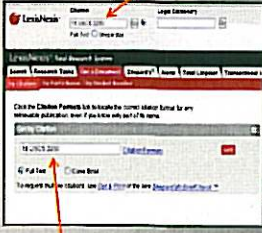
Remember the United States Code is divided into 50 Titles and each Title addresses a different subject area. Each Title is subdivided into chapters. Each chapter is further subdivided into sections.

A United States Code section is usually cited using the Title, Section number, and year:

18 U.S.C. § 2250 (2006)

Lexis has the U.S.C.S. an annotated version of the U.S.C. but the title, chapter, and section are the same.

Enter the citation into "Citation" box at the top of any screen or click on the "Get a Document tab" and enter into the Get by Citation box.




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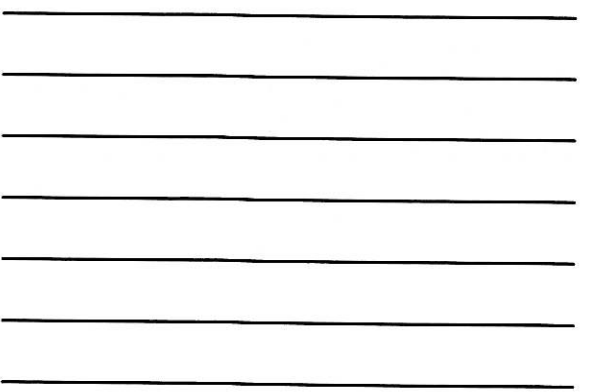
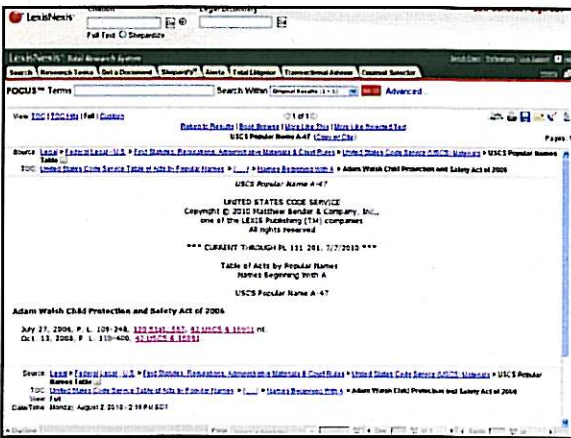
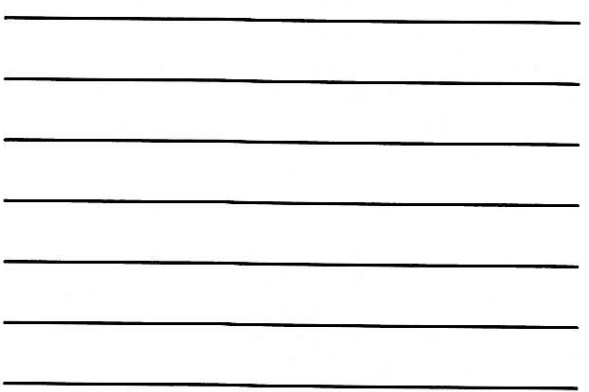
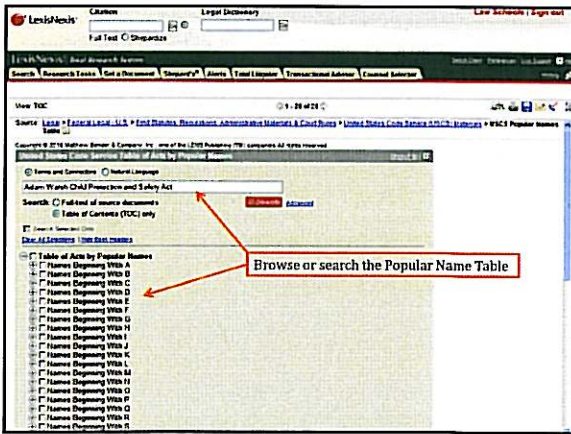
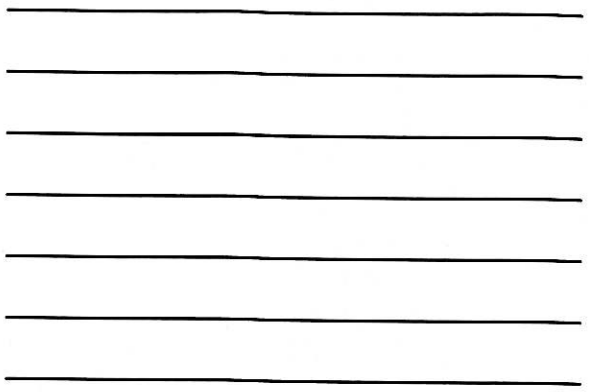
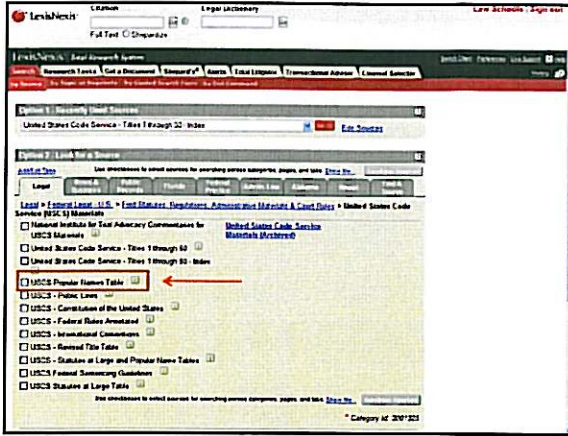
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## Updating the Federal Code Using Lexis

The easiest way to update a specific code section is to Shepardize.

Shepard's will indicate if there is any proposed legislation that affects the code provision you are researching.

Also Shepardize to determine if any case law affects the code section you are researching.

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HISTORY (Asked Dec. 9, 1999, P.L. 106-152, § 1(a), 113 Stat. 1732)

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