United States Code

Helpful Hints

The *United States Code*

1. Search by *U.S. Code* Citation

This type of search returns sections of the *U.S. Code* based on *U.S. Code* citations. A *U.S. Code* citation includes a title number, the abbreviation “USC,” and a section number. The use of truncation in a query returns subsections, as well as full sections.

Query: **7USC511***

Results: 7USC Sec. 511q. Short title
7USC Sec. 511j. Publication of violations
7USC Sec. 511o. Separability

2. Search by Popular Name

This type of search returns legislative information based on a popular name in the *U.S. Code*. If you know the popular name of law, you may use this type of search to find its *U.S. Code* citation, public law number, and *Statutes at Large* citation. For the best results, your query should include the phrase “popular name” in quotation marks and a keyword from the popular name o

Query: **“popular name” AND bonds**

Results:

5. Search for Legislation that Amends a *U.S. Code*