

**§ 17g. Equipment required by field employees; by whom furnished and maintained**

The Secretary of the Interior may require field employees of the National Park Service to furnish horses, motor and other vehicles, and miscellaneous equipment necessary for the performance of their official work; and he may provide, at Government expense, forage, care, and housing for animals, and housing or storage and fuel for vehicles and other equipment so required to be furnished.

(May 26, 1930, ch. 324, § 8, 46 Stat. 383.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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**§ 17h. Hire, rental, and purchase of property of employees; when authorized**

The Secretary of the Interior may, under such regulations as he may prescribe, authorize the hire, rental, or purchase of property from employees of the National Park Service whenever the public interest will be promoted thereby.

(May 26, 1930, ch. 324, § 9, 46 Stat. 383.)

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**§ 17i. Hire of work animals, vehicles and equipment with or without personal services; rates**

The National Park Service may hire, with or without personal services, work animals and animal-drawn and motor-propelled vehicles and equipment at rates to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior and without compliance with the provisions of sections 3709<sup>1</sup> and 3744<sup>1</sup> of the Revised Statutes.

(May 26, 1930, ch. 324, § 10, 46 Stat. 383.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 3709 and 3744 of the Revised Statutes, referred to in text, were classified to sections 5 and 16, respectively, of former Title 41, Public Contracts. Section 3709 was repealed and restated in section 6101 of Title 41, Public Contracts, by Pub. L. 111-350, §§ 3, 7(b), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3677, 3855. Section 3744 was repealed by act Oct. 21, 1941, ch. 452, 55 Stat. 743.

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<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

**§ 17j. Traveling expenses of National Park System employees and dependents of deceased employees**

In the administration of the National Park System, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, under regulations prescribed by him, to pay (a) the traveling expenses of employees, including the costs of packing, crating, and transporting (including draying) their personal property, upon permanent change of station of such employees and (b) the traveling expenses as aforesaid of dependents of deceased employees (i) to the nearest housing reasonably available and of a standard not less than that which is vacated, and to include compensation for not to exceed sixty days rental cost thereof, in the case of an employee who occupied Government housing and the death of such employee requires that housing to be promptly vacated, and (ii) to the nearest port of entry in the conterminous forty-eight States in the case of an employee whose last permanent station was outside the conterminous forty-eight States.

(May 26, 1930, ch. 324, § 11, 46 Stat. 383; Pub. L. 91-383, § 5, Aug. 18, 1970, as added Pub. L. 94-458, § 2, Oct. 7, 1976, 90 Stat. 1939.)

AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 91-383, § 5, as added by Pub. L. 94-458, included travel expenses for dependents of a deceased National Park System employee.

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**§ 17j-1. Omitted**

CODIFICATION

Section, act June 18, 1940, ch. 395, § 1, 54 Stat. 445, which related to travel expenses for attendance of National Park Service field employees at authorized meetings, was enacted as part of the Interior Department Appropriations Act, 1941, and was not repeated in the Interior Department Appropriations Act, 1942 (approved June 28, 1941, ch. 259, 55 Stat. 303), or subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provisions were contained in prior appropriation acts.

**§ 17j-2. Authorization of appropriations for road maintenance and repair; administrative expenses; lectures, investigations, telephone service, etc.**

Appropriations for the National Park Service are authorized for—

(a) Necessary protection of the area of federally owned land in the custody of the National Park Service known as the Ocean Strip and Queets Corridor, adjacent to Olympic National Park, Washington; necessary repairs to the roads from Glacier Park Station through the Blackfeet Indian Reservation to the various points in the boundary line of Glacier National Park, Montana, and the international boundary; repair and maintenance of approximately two and seventy-seven one-hundredths miles of road leading from United States Highway 187 to the

north entrance of Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming; maintenance of approach roads through the Lassen National Forest leading to Lassen Volcanic National Park, California; maintenance and repair of the Generals Highway between the boundaries of Sequoia National Park, California, and the Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park, California; maintenance of approximately two and one-fourth miles of roads comprising those portions of the Fresno-Kings Canyon approach road, Park Ridge Lookout Road, and Ash Mountain-Advance truck trail, necessary to the administration and protection of the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks; maintenance of the roads in the national forests leading out of Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, Idaho, and Montana; maintenance of the road in the Stanislaus National Forest connecting the Tioga Road with the Hetch Hetchy Road near Mather Station, Yosemite National Park, California; and maintenance and repair of the approach road to the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument and the road connecting the said monument with the Reno Monument site, Montana; repair and maintenance of the class "C" road lying between the terminus of F.A. 383 at the east boundary of Coronado National Forest and the point where said class "C" road enters Coronado National Memorial in the vicinity of Montezuma Pass, approximately 5.3 miles.

(b) Administration, protection, improvement, and maintenance of areas, under the jurisdiction of other agencies of the Government, devoted to recreational use pursuant to cooperative agreements.

(c) Necessary local transportation and subsistence in kind of persons selected for employment or as cooperators, serving without other compensation, while attending fire-protection training camps.

(d) Administration, protection, maintenance, and improvement of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

(e) Educational lectures in or in the vicinity of and with respect to the national parks, national monuments, and other reservations under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service; and services of field employees in cooperation with such nonprofit scientific and historical societies engaged in educational work in the various parks and monuments as the Secretary of the Interior may designate.

(f) Travel expenses of employees attending Government camps for training in forest-fire prevention and suppression and the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Police Academy, and attending Federal, State, or municipal schools for training in building fire prevention and suppression.

(g) Investigation and establishment of water rights in accordance with local custom, laws, and decisions of courts, including the acquisition of water rights or of lands or interests in lands or rights-of-way for use and protection of water rights necessary or beneficial in the administration and public use of the national parks and monuments.

(h) Acquisition of rights-of-way and construction and maintenance of a water supply line partly outside the boundaries of Mesa Verde National Park.

(i) Official telephone service in the field in the case of official telephones installed in private houses when authorized under regulations established by the Secretary.

(j) Provide transportation for children in nearby communities to and from any unit of the National Park System used in connection with organized recreation and interpretive programs of the National Park Service.

(Aug. 7, 1946, ch. 788, 60 Stat. 885; Pub. L. 86-689, § 3, Sept. 2, 1960, 74 Stat. 737; Pub. L. 102-201, title I, § 101, Dec. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 1631; Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title VIII, § 802, Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4186.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 104-333 added subsec. (j).

1960—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 86-689 authorized appropriations for the repair and maintenance of the class "C" road lying between the terminus of F.A. 383 at the east boundary of Coronado National Forest and the point where said class "C" road enters Coronado National Memorial in the vicinity of Montezuma Pass.

#### CHANGE OF NAME

"Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument" substituted in text for "Custer Battlefield National Monument" pursuant to Pub. L. 102-201.

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#### **§ 17k. Park, parkway and recreational-area programs; study by National Park Service; consent of States; purpose; cooperation of government agencies**

The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized and directed to cause the National Park Service to make a comprehensive study, other than on lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, of the public park, parkway, and recreational-area programs of the United States, and of the several States and political subdivisions thereof, and of the lands throughout the United States which are or may be chiefly valuable as such areas, but no such study shall be made in any State without the consent and approval of the State officials, boards, or departments having jurisdiction over such lands and park areas. The said study shall be such as, in the judgment of the Secretary, will provide data helpful in developing a plan for coordinated and adequate public park, parkway, and recreational-area facilities for the people of the United States. In making the said study and in accomplishing any of the purposes of this section and sections 17l to 17n of this title, the Secretary is authorized and directed, through the National Park Service, to seek and accept the cooperation and assistance of Federal departments or agencies having jurisdiction of lands belonging to the United States, and may cooperate and make agreements with and seek and accept the assistance of other Federal agencies and instrumentalities, and of States and politi-