SUBCHAPTER II—MEXICO-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

§276h. United States group; appointment; term; meetings

Not to exceed twenty-four Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet jointly and at least annually with representatives of the Chamber of Deputies and Chamber of Senators of the Mexican Congress for discussion of common problems in the interests of relations between the United States and Mexico. Of the Members of the Congress to be appointed for the purposes of this subchapter (hereinafter designated as the United States group) half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Affairs Committee), and half shall be appointed by the President of the Senate upon recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate from Members of the Senate (not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Relations Committee). Such appointments shall be for the period of each meeting of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group except for the four members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, and the four members of the Foreign Relations Committee, whose appointments shall be for the duration of each Congress. The Chairman or Vice Chairman of the House delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Affairs Committee, and, unless the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, determines otherwise, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Senate delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Relations Committee.

(Pub. L. 86-420, §1, Apr. 9, 1960, 74 Stat. 40; Pub. L. 95-45, §4(b), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 222; Pub. L. 103-437, §9(a)(4), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4588.)

Amendments

1994—Pub. L. 103–437 substituted "Foreign Affairs" for "International Relations" wherever appearing.

1977—Pub. L. 95-45 substituted "International Relations Committee" for "Foreign Affairs Committee" as the name of the House Committee from which not less than four of the House appointees must be drawn, inserted requirement that the appointment of the Senate appointees by the President of the Senate be made upon the recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate, and inserted provision that the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the House delegation be a Member from the International Relations Committee, and, unless the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, determines otherwise, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Senate delegation be a Member from the Foreign Relations Committee.

§ 276i. Authorization of appropriations; disbursements

An appropriation of \$120,000 annually is authorized, \$60,000 of which shall be for the House delegation and \$60,000 for the Senate delegation, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States group of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, the House and Senate portions of such appropriation to be disbursed on vouchers to be approved by the Chairman of the House delegation and the Chairman of the Senate delegation, respectively.

(Pub. L. 86-420, §2, Apr. 9, 1960, 74 Stat. 40; Pub. L. 94-350, title I, §118(b), July 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 827; Pub. L. 101-515, title III, §304(c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2129; Pub. L. 103-236, title V, §502(a)(1), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 461; Pub. L. 107-77, title IV, §408(b)(2), Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 790.)

Amendments

2001—Pub. L. 107-77 substituted "\$120,000" for "\$80,000" and substituted "\$60,000" for "\$40,000" in two places.

1994—Pub. L. 103-236 substituted "\$80,000" for "\$100,000" and substituted "\$40,000" for "\$50,000" in two places.

1990—Pub. L. 101–515 substituted "\$100,000" for "\$50,000" and "\$50,000" for "\$25,000" in two places.

 $1976-Pub.\ L.\ 94-350$ increased annual appropriations authorization to 550,000 from 330,000 and amount for the House and Senate delegations to 255,000 from 15,000.

PERMANENT APPROPRIATION FOR DELEGATION EXPENSES

A permanent appropriation to carry out this section is contained in section 101(a) [title III, §303] of Pub. L. 100-202, as amended, set out as a note under section 276e of this title.

§276j. Report to Congress

The United States group of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group shall submit to the Congress a report for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made including its expenditures under such appropriation.

(Pub. L. 86-420, §3, Apr. 9, 1960, 74 Stat. 40.)

§276k. Auditing of accounts

The certificate of the Chairman of the House delegation or the Senate delegation of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group shall on and after April 9, 1960 be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers in the auditing of the accounts of the United States group of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group.

(Pub. L. 86-420, §4, Apr. 9, 1960, 74 Stat. 40.)

SUBCHAPTER II-A—BRITISH-AMERICAN INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

§2761. British-American Interparliamentary Group

(a) Establishment and meetings

Not to exceed 24 Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet annually and when the Congress is not in session (except that this restriction shall not apply to meetings held in the United States), with representatives of the House of Commons and the House of Lords of the Parliament of Great Britain for discussion of common problems in the interest of relations between the United States and Great Britain. The Members of Congress so appointed shall be referred to as the "United States group" of the United States Interparliamentary Group.

(b) Appointment of Members

Of the Members of Congress appointed for purposes of this section—

(1) half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from among