

from the United States by reason of such service.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 703], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-179.)

**§ 290o-2. Applicability of certain provisions of Bretton Woods Agreements Act**

Section 286b of this title shall apply to the Bank in the same manner in which such section applies to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 704], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-179.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Bretton Woods Agreements Act, referred to in section catchline, is act July 31, 1945, ch. 339, 59 Stat. 512, as amended, which is classified principally to subchapter XV (§286 et seq.) of this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 286 of this title and Tables.

**§ 290o-3. Federal Reserve Banks as depositories**

Any Federal Reserve Bank which is requested to do so by the Bank may act as its depository, or as its fiscal agent, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall exercise general supervision over the carrying out of these functions.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 705], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-179.)

**§ 290o-4. Subscription of stock**

**(a) Subscription authority**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary of the Treasury may subscribe on behalf of the United States to not more than 7,011,270 shares of the capital stock of the Bank.

**(2) Effectiveness of subscription commitment**

Any commitment to make such subscription shall be effective only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided for in advance by appropriations Acts.

**(b) Limitations on authorization of appropriations**

For payment by the Secretary of the Treasury of the subscription of the United States for shares described in subsection (a) of this section, there are authorized to be appropriated \$1,050,007,800 without fiscal year limitation.

**(c) Limitations on obligation of appropriated amounts for shares of capital stock**

**(1) Paid-in capital stock**

**(A) In general**

Not more than \$105,000,000 of the amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section may be obligated for subscription to shares of paid-in capital stock.

**(B) Fiscal year 1997**

Not more than \$52,500,000 of the amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section for fiscal year 1997 may be obligated for subscription to shares of paid-in capital stock.

**(2) Callable capital stock**

Not more than \$787,505,852 of the amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section may be obligated for subscription to shares of callable capital stock.

**(d) Disposition of net income distributions by Bank**

Any payment made to the United States by the Bank as a distribution of net income shall be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 706], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-179.)

**§ 290o-5. Jurisdiction and venue of civil actions by or against Bank**

**(a) Jurisdiction**

The United States district courts shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction of any civil action brought in the United States by or against the Bank.

**(b) Venue**

For purposes of section 1391(b) of title 28, the Bank shall be deemed to be a resident of the judicial district in which the principal office of the Bank in the United States, or its agent appointed for the purpose of accepting service or notice of service, is located.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 707], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-180.)

**§ 290o-6. Effectiveness of Agreement**

The Agreement shall have full force and effect in the United States, its territories and possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, upon acceptance of membership by the United States in the Bank and the entry into force of the Agreement.

(Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(c) [title VII, § 708], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-121, 3009-180.)

**§ 290o-7. Exemption from securities laws for certain securities issued by Bank; reports required**

**(a) Exemption from securities laws; reports to Securities and Exchange Commission**

Any securities issued by the Bank (including any guaranty by the Bank, whether or not limited in scope) in connection with borrowing of funds, or the guarantee of securities as to both principal and interest, shall be deemed to be exempted securities within the meaning of section 77c(a)(2) of title 15 and section 78c(a)(12) of title 15. The Bank shall file with the Securities and Exchange Commission such annual and other reports with regard to such securities as the Commission shall determine to be appropriate in view of the special character of the Bank and its operations and necessary in the public interest or for the protection of investors.

**(b) Authority of Securities and Exchange Commission to suspend exemption; reports to Congress**

The Securities and Exchange Commission, acting in consultation with such agency or officer as the President shall designate, may suspend

the provisions of subsection (a) of this section at any time as to any or all securities issued or guaranteed by the Bank during the period of such suspension. The Commission shall include in its annual reports to the Congress such information as it shall deem advisable with regard to the operations and effect of this section.

(Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(c) [title VII, §709], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–121, 3009–180.)

#### SUBCHAPTER XXXI—INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY

##### § 290p. Acceptance of statute and membership

For fiscal year 2011 and thereafter, the President is authorized to accept the statute of, and to maintain membership of the United States in, the International Renewable Energy Agency, and the United States' assessed contributions to maintain such membership may be paid from funds appropriated for "Contributions to International Organizations".

(Pub. L. 111–212, title I, §1014, July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2332.)

#### CHAPTER 8—FOREIGN SERVICE BUILDINGS

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##### § 291. Lease of buildings, etc., for offices, living quarters, heat, light, and equipment

The Secretary of State may lease or rent, for periods not exceeding ten years, such buildings and grounds for the use of the Foreign Service as may be necessary; and he may, in accordance with existing practice without cost to them, and within the limit of any appropriation made by Congress, furnish the officers and employees in the Foreign Service with living quarters, heat, light, and household equipment in Government-owned or rented buildings, at places where, in his judgment, it would be in the public interest to do so, notwithstanding the provisions of sec-

tion 5536 of title 5; and appropriations for "Contingent expenses, foreign missions," and "Contingent expenses, consulates," are made available for such purposes.

(Apr. 18, 1930, ch. 184, title I, 46 Stat. 177.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of the Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926, which comprises this chapter.

"Section 5536 of title 5" substituted in text for "section 1765 of the Revised Statutes (U.S.C., title 5, sec. 70; U.S.C., Supp. III, title 5, sec. 70)" on authority of Pub. L. 89–554, §7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, the first section of which enacted Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

##### § 292. Acquisition of sites and buildings for diplomatic and consular establishments; allotment of space; credit of payments without regard to limitations of amounts

###### (a) Authority of Secretary of State

The Secretary of State is empowered to acquire by purchase or construction in the manner hereinafter provided, within the limits of appropriations made to carry out this chapter, by exchange, in whole or in part, of any building or grounds of the United States in foreign countries and under the jurisdiction and control of the Secretary of State, sites and buildings in foreign capitals and in other foreign cities, and to alter, repair, and furnish such buildings for the use of the diplomatic and consular establishments of the United States, or for the purpose of consolidating within one or more buildings, the embassies, legation, consulates, and other agencies of the United States Government there maintained. The space in such buildings shall be allotted by the Secretary of State among the several agencies of the United States Government.

###### (b) Payments from other than appropriated funds for acquisition of property

Payments made for rent or otherwise by the United States from funds other than appropriations made to carry out this chapter may be credited toward the acquisition of property under this chapter without regard to limitations of amounts imposed by this chapter.

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, §1, 44 Stat. 403; May 29, 1928, ch. 876, §1, 45 Stat. 971; Pub. L. 88–94, §2(b), Aug. 12, 1963, 77 Stat. 122; Pub. L. 89–636, §2, Oct. 10, 1966, 80 Stat. 881; Pub. L. 95–105, title I, §106(a), Aug. 17, 1977, 91 Stat. 845.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1977—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95–105, §106(a)(1), substituted "to carry out" for "pursuant to".

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95–105, §106(a)(2), substituted "to carry out" for "under authority of".

1966—Pub. L. 89–636 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

1963—Pub. L. 88–94 struck out " , subject to the direction of the commission hereinafter established," after "is empowered", "under such terms and conditions as in the judgment of the commission may best protect the interests of the United States," after "in part," and " , to the extent deemed advisable by the commission," after "consolidating" and substituted " . The space in such buildings shall be allotted by the Secretary of State" for " , which buildings shall be appropriately designated by the commission, and the space in which