

## “CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES” DEFINED

Congressional defense committees means the Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives, see section 3 of Pub. L. 111-84, 123 Stat. 2208. See note under section 101 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

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There is established within the Department of Energy a separately organized agency to be known as the National Nuclear Security Administration (in this chapter referred to as the “Administration”).

**(b) Mission**

The mission of the Administration shall be the following:

(1) To enhance United States national security through the military application of nuclear energy.

(2) To maintain and enhance the safety, reliability, and performance of the United States nuclear weapons stockpile, including the ability to design, produce, and test, in order to meet national security requirements.

(3) To provide the United States Navy with safe, militarily effective nuclear propulsion plants and to ensure the safe and reliable operation of those plants.

(4) To promote international nuclear safety and nonproliferation.

(5) To reduce global danger from weapons of mass destruction.

(6) To support United States leadership in science and technology.

**(c) Operations and activities to be carried out consistent with certain principles**

In carrying out the mission of the Administration, the Administrator shall ensure that all operations and activities of the Administration are consistent with the principles of protecting the environment and safeguarding the safety and health of the public and of the workforce of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, § 3211, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 957.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original “this title”, meaning title XXXII of div. C of Pub. L. 106-65, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 953, as amended, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title XXXII to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, § 3299, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 971, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the provisions of this title [see Short Title note below] shall take effect on March 1, 2000.

“(b) EXCEPTIONS.—(1) Sections 3202, 3204, 3251, 3295, and 3297 [enacting sections 2451 and 2483 of this title and sections 7144a to 7144c of Title 42, amending section