

laborative Consortia, transfer of technology to private sector and others, reports on activities, and authorization of appropriations.

1995—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 104-66 amended heading and text of subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “Within one year after December 9, 1991, and every year thereafter, the Secretary of Energy shall transmit to the Congress a report on activities taken to carry out this chapter.”

§ 5524. Department of Commerce activities

(a) General responsibilities

As part of the Program described in subchapter I of this chapter—

(1) the National Institute of Standards and Technology shall—

(A) conduct basic and applied measurement research needed to support various high-performance computing systems and networks;

(B) develop and propose standards and guidelines, and develop measurement techniques and test methods, for the interoperability of high-performance computing systems in networks and for common user interfaces to systems; and

(C) be responsible for developing benchmark tests and standards for high-performance computing systems and software; and

(2) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shall conduct basic and applied research in weather prediction and ocean sciences, particularly in development of new forecast models, in computational fluid dynamics, and in the incorporation of evolving computer architectures and networks into the systems that carry out agency missions.

(b) High-performance computing and network security

Pursuant to the Computer Security Act of 1987 (Public Law 100-235; 101 Stat. 1724), the National Institute of Standards and Technology shall be responsible for developing and proposing standards and guidelines needed to assure the cost-effective security and privacy of sensitive information in Federal computer systems.

(c) Study of impact of Federal procurement regulations

(1) The Secretary of Commerce shall conduct a study to—

(A) evaluate the impact of Federal procurement regulations that require that contractors providing software to the Federal Government share the rights to proprietary software development tools that the contractors use to develop the software; and

(B) determine whether such regulations discourage development of improved software development tools and techniques.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce shall, within one year after December 9, 1991, report to the Congress regarding the results of the study conducted under paragraph (1).

(d) Authorization of appropriations

From sums otherwise authorized to be appropriated, there are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) to the National Institute of Standards and Technology for the purposes of the Pro-

gram \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 1992; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1993; \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1994; \$6,000,000 for fiscal year 1995; and \$7,000,000 for fiscal year 1996; and

(2) to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for the purposes of the Program \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 1992; \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 1993; \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 1994; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1995; and \$4,500,000 for fiscal year 1996.

(Pub. L. 102-194, title II, §204, Dec. 9, 1991, 105 Stat. 1601.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Computer Security Act of 1987, referred to in subsec. (b), is Pub. L. 100-235, Jan. 8, 1988, 101 Stat. 1724, which enacted sections 278g-3 and 278g-4 of this title, amended section 272 of this title and section 759 of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and enacted provisions set out as notes under section 271 of this title and section 1441 of former Title 40. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

§ 5525. Environmental Protection Agency activities

(a) General responsibilities

As part of the Program described in subchapter I of this chapter, the Environmental Protection Agency shall conduct basic and applied research directed toward the advancement and dissemination of computational techniques and software tools which form the core of ecosystem, atmospheric chemistry, and atmospheric dynamics models.

(b) Authorization of appropriations

From sums otherwise authorized to be appropriated, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency for the purposes of the Program \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1992; \$5,500,000 for fiscal year 1993; \$6,000,000 for fiscal year 1994; \$6,500,000 for fiscal year 1995; and \$7,000,000 for fiscal year 1996.

(Pub. L. 102-194, title II, §205, Dec. 9, 1991, 105 Stat. 1602.)

§ 5526. Role of Department of Education

(a) General responsibilities

As part of the Program described in subchapter I of this chapter, the Secretary of Education is authorized to conduct basic and applied research in computational research with an emphasis on the coordination of activities with libraries, school facilities, and education research groups with respect to the advancement and dissemination of computational science and the development, evaluation and application of software capabilities.

(b) Authorization of appropriations

From sums otherwise authorized to be appropriated, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Education for the purposes of this section \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 1992; \$1,700,000 for fiscal year 1993; \$1,900,000 for fiscal year 1994; \$2,100,000 for fiscal year 1995; and \$2,300,000 for fiscal year 1996.

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