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Guard's Operating Expenses appropriation account, and shall be available for obligation and expenditure for the maintenance of light stations remaining under the administrative control of the Coast Guard, such funds to remain available until expended and shall be available in addition to funds available in the Operating Expense appropriation for this purpose.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title III, §309, as added Pub. L. 106–355, §3, Oct. 24, 2000, 114 Stat. 1389.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The National Maritime Heritage Act of 1994, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), is Pub. L. 103–451, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4769, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 74 (§5401 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5401 of this title and Tables.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

PART D—NATIONAL CENTER FOR PRESERVATION TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING

§ 470x. Findings

The Congress finds and declares that, given the complexity of technical problems encountered in preserving historic properties and the lack of adequate distribution of technical information to preserve such properties, a national initiative to coordinate and promote research, distribute information, and provide training about preservation skills and technologies would be beneficial.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title IV, $\S401$, as added Pub. L. 102–575, title XL, $\S4022$, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4765)

§ 470x-1. Definitions

For the purposes of this part—

- (1) The term "Board" means the National Preservation Technology and Training Board established pursuant to section 470x-3 of this title.
- (2) The term "Center" means the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training established pursuant to section 470x-2 of this title.
- (3) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title IV, \$402, as added Pub. L. 102–575, title XL, \$4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766.)

§ 470x-2. Establishment of National Center

(a) Establishment

There is hereby established within the Department of the Interior a National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. The Center shall be located at Northwestern State University of Louisiana in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

(b) Purposes

The purposes of the Center shall be to-

- (1) develop and distribute preservation and conservation skills and technologies for the identification, evaluation, conservation, and interpretation of prehistoric and historic resources:
- (2) develop and facilitate training for Federal, State and local resource preservation professionals, cultural resource managers, maintenance personnel, and others working in the preservation field;
- (3) take steps to apply preservation technology benefits from ongoing research by other agencies and institutions;
- (4) facilitate the transfer of preservation technology among Federal agencies, State and local governments, universities, international organizations, and the private sector; and
- (5) cooperate with related international organizations including, but not limited to the International Council on Monuments and Sites, the International Center for the Study of Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property, and the International Council on Museums.

(c) Programs

Such purposes shall be carried out through research, professional training, technical assistance, and programs for public awareness, and through a program of grants established under section 470x-4 of this title.

(d) Executive Director

The Center shall be headed by an Executive Director with demonstrated expertise in historic preservation appointed by the Secretary with advice of the Board.

(e) Assistance from Secretary

The Secretary shall provide the Center assistance in obtaining such personnel, equipment, and facilities as may be needed by the Center to carry out its activities.

(Pub. L. 89–665, title IV, \$403, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, \$4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766)

§ 470x-3. Preservation Technology and Training Board

(a) Establishment

There is established a Preservation Technology and Training Board.

(b) Duties

The Board shall—

- (1) provide leadership, policy advice, and professional oversight to the Center;
- (2) advise the Secretary on priorities and the allocation of grants among the activities of the Center; and
- (3) submit an annual report to the President and the Congress.

(c) Membership

The Board shall be comprised of—

- (1) the Secretary, or the Secretary's designee;
- (2) 6 members appointed by the Secretary who shall represent appropriate Federal,