

**§ 470o. Transfer of personnel, property, etc., by Department of the Interior to Council; time limit**

So much of the personnel, property, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds employed, held, used, programed, or available or to be made available by the Department of the Interior in connection with the functions of the Council, as the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall determine, shall be transferred from the Department to the Council within 60 days of the effective date of this Act.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §207, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The effective date of this Act, referred to in text, probably means the effective date of Pub. L. 94-422, which was approved on Sept. 28, 1976.

**§ 470p. Rights, benefits, and privileges of transferred employees**

Any employee in the competitive service of the United States transferred to the Council under the provisions of this section shall retain all the rights, benefits, and privileges pertaining thereto held prior to such transfer.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §208, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322.)

**§ 470q. Operations of Council; exemption**

The Council is exempt from the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (86 Stat. 770), and the provisions of subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7, of title 5 shall govern the operations of the Council.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §209, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Advisory Committee Act (86 Stat. 770), referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is classified to the Appendix of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

CODIFICATION

“Subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7 of title 5” substituted in text for “the Administrative Procedure Act (80 Stat. 381)” 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.

**§ 470r. Transmittal of legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments, to any officer or agency of the United States prior to submission thereof to Congress; prohibition**

No officer or agency of the United States shall have any authority to require the Council to submit its legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments on legislation to any officer or agency of the United States for approval, comments, or review, prior to the submission of such recommendations, testimony, or comments to the Congress. In instances in which the Council voluntarily seeks to obtain the comments or

review of any officer or agency of the United States, the Council shall include a description of such actions in its legislative recommendations, testimony, or comments on legislation which it transmits to the Congress.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §210, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322; amended Pub. L. 96-515, title III, §301(k), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2999.)

AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-515 struck out provision requiring the Council, whenever it transmits any legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments on legislation to the President or Office of Management and Budget, to concurrently transmit copies thereof to the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs and the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

**§ 470s. Rules and regulations; participation by local governments**

The Council is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as it deems necessary to govern the implementation of section 470f of this title in its entirety. The Council shall, by regulation, establish such procedures as may be necessary to provide for participation by local governments in proceedings and other actions taken by the Council with respect to undertakings referred to in section 470f of this title which affect such local governments.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §211, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1322; amended Pub. L. 96-515, title III, §301(l), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2999; Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4018, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4763.)

AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-575 inserted “in its entirety” before period at end of first sentence.

1980—Pub. L. 96-515 inserted provision authorizing the Council to establish procedures as necessary to provide for participation by local governments in proceedings and other actions taken by the Council with respect to undertakings referred to in section 470f of this title which affect such local governments.

**§ 470t. Budget; authorization of appropriations**

**(a) Time of submission; related department; authorized appropriations**

The Council shall submit its budget annually as a related agency of the Department of the Interior. There are authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be necessary to carry out this part.

**(b) Transmittal of copies to Congressional committees**

Whenever the Council submits any budget estimate or request to the President or the Office of Management and Budget, it shall concurrently transmit copies of that estimate or request to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees and the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, §212, as added Pub. L. 94-422, title II, §201(9), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1323; amended Pub. L. 95-625, title VI, §614, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3521; Pub. L. 96-205, title VI, §608(a)(3), Mar. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 92; Pub. L.