

United States Commissioner shall be appointed for a term of office not to exceed 4 years, but is eligible for reappointment. Individuals serving as such Commissioners shall not be considered to be Federal employees while performing such service, except for purposes of injury compensation or tort claims liability as provided in chapter 81 of title 5 and chapter 171 of title 28. Of the Commissioners—

- (1) one shall be an official of the United States Government;
- (2) one shall be a resident of the State of Alaska; and
- (3) one shall be a resident of the State of Washington.

An individual is not eligible for appointment under paragraph (2) or (3) as a Commissioner unless the individual is knowledgeable or experienced concerning the anadromous stocks and ecologically related species of the North Pacific Ocean.

**(b) Alternate Commissioners**

The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, may designate from time to time Alternate United States Commissioners to the Commission. An Alternate United States Commissioner may exercise all designated powers and duties of a United States Commissioner in the absence of a duly designated Commissioner for whatever reason. The number of such Alternate United States Commissioners that may be designated for any such meeting shall be limited to the number of authorized United States Commissioners that will not be present.

**(c) United States Section**

The United States Section, in consultation with the Advisory Panel established in section 5004 of this title, shall identify and recommend to the Commission research needs and priorities for anadromous stocks and ecologically related species subject to the Convention, and oversee the United States research programs involving such fisheries, stocks, and species.

**(d) Compensation**

United States Commissioners and Alternate United States Commissioners shall receive no compensation for their services as Commissioners and Alternate Commissioners.

(Pub. L. 102-567, title VIII, §804, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4310; Pub. L. 102-587, title VIII, §8004, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5099; Pub. L. 106-562, title III, §304, Dec. 23, 2000, 114 Stat. 2806.)

CODIFICATION

Title VIII of Pub. L. 102-567 and Pub. L. 102-587 enacted identical sections. Title VIII of Pub. L. 102-587 was repealed by Pub. L. 106-562.

AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-562, §304(b), inserted after second sentence “Individuals serving as such Commissioners shall not be considered to be Federal employees while performing such service, except for purposes of injury compensation or tort claims liability as provided in chapter 81 of title 5 and chapter 171 of title 28.”

**§ 5004. Advisory Panel**

**(a) Establishment of Panel**

An Advisory Panel to the United States Section is established. The Advisory Panel shall be composed of the following:

- (1) The Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.
- (2) The Director of the Washington Department of Fisheries.
- (3) One representative of the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, designated by the Executive Director of that commission.

(4) Eleven members (six of whom shall be residents of the State of Alaska and five of whom shall be residents of the State of Washington), appointed by the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, from among a slate of 12 persons nominated by the Governor of Alaska and a slate of 10 persons nominated by the Governor of Washington.

**(b) Qualifications**

Persons appointed to the Advisory Panel shall be individuals who are knowledgeable or experienced concerning anadromous stocks and ecologically related species. In submitting a slate of nominees pursuant to subsection (a)(4) of this section, the Governors of Alaska and Washington shall seek to represent the broad range of parties interested in anadromous stocks and ecologically related species, and at a minimum shall include on each slate at least one representative of commercial salmon fishing interests and of environmental interests concerned with protection of living marine resources.

**(c) Limitation on service**

Any person appointed to the Advisory Panel pursuant to subsection (a)(4) of this section shall serve for a term not to exceed 4 years, and may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

**(d) Functions**

The Advisory Panel shall be invited to all non-executive meetings of the United States Section and at such meetings shall be granted the opportunity to examine and to be heard on all proposed programs of study and investigation, reports, and recommendations of the United States Section.

**(e) Compensation and expenses**

The members of the Advisory Panel shall receive no compensation or travel expenses for their services as such members.

(Pub. L. 102-567, title VIII, §805, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4311; Pub. L. 102-587, title VIII, §8005, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5100; Pub. L. 106-562, title III, §304(a), Dec. 23, 2000, 114 Stat. 2806.)

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TERMINATION OF ADVISORY PANELS

Advisory panels established after Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a panel established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such panel is

renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a panel established by Congress, its duration is otherwise provided for by law, see sections 3(2) and 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### § 5005. Commission recommendations

The Secretary, with the concurrence of the Secretary of Commerce, may accept or reject, on behalf of the United States, recommendations made by the Commission in accordance with article IX of the Convention.

(Pub. L. 102-567, title VIII, §806, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4311; Pub. L. 102-587, title VIII, §8006, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5101; Pub. L. 106-562, title III, §304(a), Dec. 23, 2000, 114 Stat. 2806.)

##### CODIFICATION

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#### § 5006. Administration and enforcement of Convention

##### (a) Responsibilities

The Secretary of Commerce shall be responsible for administering provisions of the Convention, this chapter, and regulations issued under this chapter. The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Transportation, shall be responsible for coordinating the participation of the United States in the Commission.

##### (b) Consultation and cooperation

In carrying out such functions, the Secretary of Commerce—

(1) shall, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the United States Section, issue such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and objectives of the Convention and this chapter; and

(2) may, with the concurrence of the Secretary, cooperate with the authorized officials of the government of any Party.

(Pub. L. 102-567, title VIII, §807, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4311; Pub. L. 102-587, title VIII, §8007, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5101; Pub. L. 106-562, title III, §304(a), Dec. 23, 2000, 114 Stat. 2806.)

##### CODIFICATION

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#### § 5007. Cooperation with other agencies

##### (a) In general

Any agency of the Federal Government is authorized, upon request of the Commission, to cooperate in the conduct of scientific and other programs, and to furnish, on a reimbursable basis, facilities and personnel for the purpose of assisting the Commission in carrying out its duties under the Convention. Such agency may accept reimbursement from the Commission.

##### (b) Functions of Secretary of Commerce

In carrying out the provisions of the Convention and this chapter, the Secretary of Com-

merce may arrange for cooperation with agencies of the United States, the States, private institutions and organizations, and agencies of the government of any Party, to conduct scientific and other programs, and may execute such memoranda as may be necessary to reflect such agreements.

(Pub. L. 102-567, title VIII, §808, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4312; Pub. L. 102-587, title VIII, §8008, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5101; Pub. L. 106-562, title III, §304(a), Dec. 23, 2000, 114 Stat. 2806.)

##### CODIFICATION

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#### § 5008. Enforcement provisions

##### (a) Duties of Secretaries of Commerce and Transportation

This chapter shall be enforced by the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Transportation. Such Secretaries may by agreement utilize, on a reimbursable basis or otherwise, the personnel, services, equipment (including aircraft and vessels), and facilities of any other Federal agency, including all elements of the Department of Defense, and of any State agency, in the performance of such duties. Such Secretaries shall, and the head of any Federal or State agency that has entered into an agreement with either such Secretary under the preceding sentence may (if the agreement so provides), authorize officers to enforce the provisions of the Convention, this chapter, and regulations issued under this chapter. Any such agreement or contract entered into pursuant to this section shall be effective only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

##### (b) District court jurisdiction

The district courts of the United States shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any case or controversy arising under the provisions of this chapter.

##### (c) Powers of enforcement officers

Authorized officers may, shoreward of the outer boundary of the exclusive economic zone, or during hot pursuit from the zone—

(1) with or without a warrant or other process—

(A) arrest any person, if the officer has reasonable cause to believe that such person has committed an act prohibited by section 5009 of this title;

(B) board, and search or inspect, any fishing vessel subject to the provisions of the Convention and this chapter;

(C) seize any fishing vessel (together with its fishing gear, furniture, appurtenances, stores, and cargo) used or employed in, or with respect to which it reasonably appears that such vessel was used or employed in, the violation of any provision of the Convention, this chapter, or regulations issued under this chapter;

(D) seize any fish (wherever found) taken or retained in violation of any provision referred to in subparagraph (C);