

Section 1634 of the Department of Defense Authorization Act, 1985 (Public Law 98-525), referred to in subsec. (d), was formerly set out as a note under section 7158 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, and was renumbered section 4101 of Pub. L. 107-314, the Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003, by Pub. L. 108-136, div. C, title XXXI, §3141(d)(2), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1757. Section 4101 of Pub. L. 107-314 is classified to section 2511 of this title.

#### § 2407. General Counsel

There is a General Counsel of the Administration. The General Counsel is the chief legal officer of the Administration.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3217, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960.)

#### § 2408. Staff of Administration

##### (a) In general

The Administrator shall maintain within the Administration sufficient staff to assist the Administrator in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the Administrator.

##### (b) Responsibilities

The staff of the Administration shall perform, in accordance with applicable law, such of the functions of the Administrator as the Administrator shall prescribe. The Administrator shall assign to the staff responsibility for the following functions:

- (1) Personnel.
- (2) Legislative affairs.
- (3) Public affairs.
- (4) Liaison with the Department of Energy's Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence.
- (5) Liaison with other elements of the Department of Energy and with other Federal agencies, State, tribal, and local governments, and the public.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3218, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 960; Pub. L. 109-364, div. C, title XXXI, §3117(e), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2508.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b)(4), (5). Pub. L. 109-364 added par. (4) and redesignated former par. (4) as (5).

#### § 2409. Scope of authority of Secretary of Energy to modify organization of Administration

Notwithstanding the authority granted by section 7253 of title 42 or any other provision of law, the Secretary of Energy may not establish, abolish, alter, consolidate, or discontinue any organizational unit or component, or transfer any function, of the Administration, except as authorized by subsection (b) or (c) of section 2481 of this title.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3219, as added Pub. L. 106-377, §1(a)(2) [title III, §314(a)], Oct. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 1441, 1441A-81.)

#### § 2410. Status of Administration and contractor personnel within Department of Energy

##### (a) Status of Administration personnel

Each officer or employee of the Administration—

- (1) shall be responsible to and subject to the authority, direction, and control of—

(A) the Secretary acting through the Administrator and consistent with section 7132(c)(3) of title 42;

(B) the Administrator; or

(C) the Administrator's designee within the Administration; and

(2) shall not be responsible to, or subject to the authority, direction, or control of, any other officer, employee, or agent of the Department of Energy.

##### (b) Status of contractor personnel

Each officer or employee of a contractor of the Administration shall not be responsible to, or subject to the authority, direction, or control of, any officer, employee, or agent of the Department of Energy who is not an employee of the Administration, except for the Secretary of Energy consistent with section 7132(c)(3) of title 42.

##### (c) Construction of section

Subsections (a) and (b) of this section may not be interpreted to in any way preclude or interfere with the communication of technical findings derived from, and in accord with, duly authorized activities between (1) the head, or any contractor employee, of a national security laboratory or of a nuclear weapons production facility, and (2) the Department of Energy, the President, or Congress.

##### (d) Prohibition on dual office holding

Except in accordance with sections 2402(a)(2) and 2406(a)(1) of this title:

(1) An individual may not concurrently hold or carry out the responsibilities of—

- (A) a position within the Administration; and
- (B) a position within the Department of Energy not within the Administration.

(2) No funds appropriated or otherwise made available for any fiscal year may be used to pay, to an individual who concurrently holds or carries out the responsibilities of a position specified in paragraph (1)(A) and a position specified in paragraph (1)(B), the basic pay, salary, or other compensation relating to any such position.

##### (e) Status of intelligence and counterintelligence personnel

Notwithstanding the restrictions of subsections (a) and (b), each officer or employee of the Administration, or of a contractor of the Administration, who is carrying out activities related to intelligence or counterintelligence shall, in carrying out those activities, be subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Energy or the Secretary's delegate.

(Pub. L. 106-65, div. C, title XXXII, §3220, formerly §3213, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 958; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [div. C, title XXXI, §3157], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-468; renumbered §3220, Pub. L. 107-107, div. C, title XXXI, §3141(a)(1), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1370; Pub. L. 109-364, div. C, title XXXI, §3117(a)(2)(B), (d), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2507, 2508; Pub. L. 111-84, div. C, title XXXI, §3121, Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2710; Pub. L. 113-66, div. C, title XXXI, §3145(b), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 1071.)