

ment, and utilization of ores and other mineral substances that (A) are found in the United States, or in its territories or possessions, (B) are essential to the national defense, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States, and (C) are found in known domestic sources in inadequate quantities or grades.

(2) Such investigations shall be carried out in order to—

(A) determine and develop new domestic sources of supply of such ores and mineral substances;

(B) devise new methods for the treatment and utilization of lower grade reserves of such ores and mineral substances; and

(C) develop substitutes for such essential ores and mineral products.

(3) Investigations under paragraph (1) may be carried out on public lands and, with the consent of the owner, on privately owned lands for the purpose of exploring and determining the extent and quality of deposits of such minerals, the most suitable methods of mining and beneficiating such minerals, and the cost at which the minerals or metals may be produced.

(b) Development of sources of supplies of agricultural materials; use of agricultural commodities for manufacture of materials

The President shall make scientific, technologic, and economic investigations of the feasibility of developing domestic sources of supplies of any agricultural material or for using agricultural commodities for the manufacture of any material determined pursuant to section 98b(a) of this title to be a strategic and critical material or substitutes therefor.

(c) Development of sources of supply of other materials; development or use of alternative methods for refining or processing materials in stockpile

The President shall make scientific, technologic, and economic investigations concerning the feasibility of—

(1) developing domestic sources of supply of materials (other than materials referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of this section) determined pursuant to section 98b(a) of this title to be strategic and critical materials; and

(2) developing or using alternative methods for the refining or processing of a material in the stockpile so as to convert such material into a form more suitable for use during an emergency or for storage.

(d) Grants and contracts to encourage conservation of strategic and critical materials

The President shall encourage the conservation of domestic sources of any material determined pursuant to section 98b(a) of this title to be a strategic and critical material by making grants or awarding contracts for research regarding the development of—

(1) substitutes for such material; or

(2) more efficient methods of production or use of such material.

(June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 8, as added Pub. L. 96-41, § 2(a), July 30, 1979, 93 Stat. 322; amended Pub. L. 101-189, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3311, Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1686.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 98g, act June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 8, as added July 23, 1946, ch. 590, 60 Stat. 600; amended 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 2(b), eff. June 12, 1953, 18 F.R. 3375, 67 Stat. 634; 1958 Reorg. Plan No. 1, § 2, eff. July 1, 1958, 23 F.R. 4991, 72 Stat. 1799; Oct. 21, 1968, Pub. L. 90-608, § 402, 82 Stat. 1194; Ex. Ord. No. 11725, § 3, eff. June 29, 1973, 38 F.R. 17175, authorized appropriations for procurement, transportation, maintenance, rotation, storage, and refining or processing of materials acquired under this subchapter, prior to repeal by section 2(a) of Pub. L. 96-41. See section 98d(c) of this title.

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in former section 98f of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 96-41.

AMENDMENTS

1989—Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 101-189 added subsecs. (c) and (d).

DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under subsec. (a) of this section delegated to Secretary of the Interior and functions of President under subsec. (b) of this section delegated to Secretary of Agriculture by section 1 of Ex. Ord. No. 12636, Feb. 25, 1988, 53 F.R. 6114, set out under section 98 of this title.

§ 98h. National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund

(a) Establishment

There is established in the Treasury of the United States a separate fund to be known as the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “fund”).

(b) Fund operations

(1) All moneys received from the sale of materials in the stockpile under paragraphs (5) and (6) of section 98e(a) of this title¹ shall be covered into the fund.

(2) Subject to section 98d(a)(1) of this title, moneys covered into the fund under paragraph (1) are hereby made available (subject to such limitations as may be provided in appropriation Acts) for the following purposes:

(A) The acquisition, maintenance, and disposal of strategic and critical materials under section 98e(a) of this title.

(B) Transportation, storage, and other incidental expenses related to such acquisition, maintenance, and disposal.

(C) Development of current specifications of stockpile materials and the upgrading of existing stockpile materials to meet current specifications (including transportation, when economical, related to such upgrading).

(D) Encouraging the appropriate conservation of strategic and critical materials.

(E) Testing and quality studies of stockpile materials.

(F) Studying future material and mobilization requirements for the stockpile.

(G) Activities authorized under section 98h-6 of this title.

(H) Contracting under competitive procedures for materials development and research to—

(i) improve the quality and availability of materials stockpiled from time to time in the stockpile; and

¹ See References in Text note below.

(ii) develop new materials for the stockpile.

(I) Improvement or rehabilitation of facilities, structures, and infrastructure needed to maintain the integrity of stockpile materials.

(J) Disposal of hazardous materials that are stored in the stockpile and authorized for disposal by law.

(K) Performance of environmental remediation, restoration, waste management, or compliance activities at locations of the stockpile that are required under a Federal law or are undertaken by the Government under an administrative decision or negotiated agreement.

(L) Pay of employees of the National Defense Stockpile program.

(M) Other expenses of the National Defense Stockpile program.

(3) Moneys in the fund shall remain available until expended.

(c) Moneys received from sale of materials being rotated or disposed of

All moneys received from the sale of materials being rotated under the provisions of section 98e(a)(4) of this title or disposed of under section 98f(a) of this title shall be covered into the fund and shall be available only for the acquisition of replacement materials.

(d) Effect of bartering

If, during a fiscal year, the National Defense Stockpile Manager barter materials in the stockpile for the purpose of acquiring, upgrading, refining, or processing other materials (or for services directly related to that purpose), the contract value of the materials so bartered shall—

(1) be applied toward the total value of materials that are authorized to be disposed of from the stockpile during that fiscal year;

(2) be treated as an acquisition for purposes of satisfying any requirement imposed on the National Defense Stockpile Manager to enter into obligations during that fiscal year under subsection (b)(2) of this section; and

(3) not increase or decrease the balance in the fund.

(June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 9, as added Pub. L. 96-41, § 2(a), July 30, 1979, 93 Stat. 323; amended Pub. L. 97-35, title II, § 203(d), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 382; Pub. L. 99-661, div. C, title II, § 3203(a), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 4067; Pub. L. 100-180, div. C, title II, § 3204, Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1247; Pub. L. 101-189, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3312(b), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1688; Pub. L. 101-510, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3301(c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1845; Pub. L. 102-190, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3311(a), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1584; Pub. L. 102-484, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3313, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2653; Pub. L. 103-160, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3313, Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1962; Pub. L. 105-261, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3304, Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2264; Pub. L. 113-66, div. A, title XIV, § 1411(b), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 934.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Paragraphs (5) and (6) of section 98e(a) of this title, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), were redesignated as paragraphs (6) and (7) of section 98e(a) of this title by Pub.

L. 113-66, div. A, title XIV, § 1411(a), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 934.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 98h, act June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 9, as added July 23, 1946, ch. 590, 60 Stat. 600, related to disposition of receipts, prior to repeal by section 2(a) of Pub. L. 96-41. See section 98h(b)(1) of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2013—Subsec. (b)(2)(D) to (M). Pub. L. 113-66 added subpar. (D) and redesignated former subpars. (D) to (L) as (E) to (M), respectively.

1998—Subsec. (b)(2)(J) to (L). Pub. L. 105-261 added subpar. (J) and redesignated former subpars. (J) and (K) as (K) and (L), respectively.

1993—Subsec. (b)(2)(J), (K). Pub. L. 103-160, § 3313(a), added subpars. (J) and (K).

Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 103-160, § 3313(b), struck out par. (4) which read as follows: “Notwithstanding paragraph (2), moneys in the fund may not be used to pay salaries and expenses of stockpile employees.”

1992—Subsec. (b)(2)(A). Pub. L. 102-484, § 3313(a)(1), inserted “, maintenance, and disposal” after “acquisition” and substituted “section 98e(a)” for “section 98e(a)(1)”.

Subsec. (b)(2)(B). Pub. L. 102-484, § 3313(a)(2), substituted “such acquisition, maintenance, and disposal” for “such acquisition”.

Subsec. (b)(2)(H), (I). Pub. L. 102-484, § 3313(b), added subpars. (H) and (I).

Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 102-484, § 3313(c), added par. (4).

1991—Subsec. (b)(2)(G). Pub. L. 102-190 added subpar. (G).

1990—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101-510 added subsec. (d).

1989—Subsec. (b)(2)(F). Pub. L. 101-189 added subpar. (F).

1987—Subsec. (b)(2)(F). Pub. L. 100-180 struck out subpar. (F) which related to other reasonable requirements for management of stockpile.

1986—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 99-661, § 3203(a)(1), struck out “Such moneys shall remain in the fund until appropriated.” after “covered into the fund.”

Subsec. (b)(2), (3). Pub. L. 99-661, § 3203(a)(2), added pars. (2) and (3) and struck out former pars. (2) and (3) which read as follows:

“(2) Moneys covered into the fund under paragraph (1) shall be available, when appropriated therefor, only for the acquisition of strategic and critical materials under section 98e(a)(1) of this title (and for transportation related to such acquisition).

“(3) Moneys in the fund, when appropriated, shall remain available until expended, unless otherwise provided in appropriation Acts.”

1981—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-35 in par. (1) struck out provisions relating to moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the third fiscal year following the fiscal year in which received, and in par. (3) substituted provisions respecting funds remaining available until expended, for provisions relating to funds remaining available for a period of five fiscal years.

USE OF FUNDS FROM NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND TO MEET NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE GOALS AND SPECIFICATIONS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 1984

Pub. L. 100-440, title V, § 518, Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1748, directed that, no later than Oct. 1, 1989, Administrator of General Services, or any Federal officer assuming Administrator’s responsibilities with respect to management of the stockpile, to use all funds authorized and appropriated before Jan. 1, 1985, from National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund to evaluate, test, relocate, upgrade or purchase stockpile materials to meet National Defense Stockpile goals and specifications in effect on Oct. 1, 1984. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Pub. L. 100-202, § 101(m) [title V, § 519], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-390, 1329-417.

Pub. L. 99-500, § 101(m) [title V, § 520], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-308, 1783-326, and Pub. L. 99-591, § 101(m) [title V, § 520], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-308, 3341-326.

DEPOSIT OF FUNDS ACCRUING FROM NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES

Pub. L. 98-525, title IX, § 905, Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2574, as amended by Pub. L. 99-145, title XVI, § 1611(a), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 776, provided that: "There shall be deposited into the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund established under section 9 of the Act (50 U.S.C. 98h) 30 percent of all money accruing to the United States during fiscal years 1985 and 1986 from lands in the naval petroleum and oil shale reserves (less amounts spent for exploration, development and operation of those reserves and related expenses during that period). Moneys deposited into the Fund under this subsection shall be deemed to have been covered into the Fund under section 9(b) of the Act."

§ 98h-1. Advisory committees

(a) Membership

The President may appoint advisory committees composed of individuals with expertise relating to materials in the stockpile or with expertise in stockpile management to advise the President with respect to the acquisition, transportation, processing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, rotation, and disposal of such materials under this subchapter.

(b) Expenses

Each member of an advisory committee established under subsection (a) of this section while serving on the business of the advisory committee away from such member's home or regular place of business shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703 of title 5 for persons intermittently employed in the Government service.

(c) Market Impact Committee

(1) The President shall appoint a Market Impact Committee composed of representatives from the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Defense, the Department of Energy, the Department of the Interior, the Department of State, the Department of the Treasury, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and such other persons as the President considers appropriate. The representatives from the Department of Commerce and the Department of State shall be Cochairmen of the Committee.

(2) The Committee shall advise the National Defense Stockpile Manager on the projected domestic and foreign economic effects of all acquisitions and disposals of materials from the stockpile that are proposed to be included in the annual materials plan submitted to Congress under section 98h-2(b) of this title, or in any revision of such plan, and shall submit to the manager the Committee's recommendations regarding those acquisitions and disposals.

(3) The annual materials plan or the revision of such plan, as the case may be, shall contain—

(A) the views of the Committee on the projected domestic and foreign economic effects of all acquisitions and disposals of materials from the stockpile;

(B) the recommendations submitted by the Committee under paragraph (2); and

(C) for each acquisition or disposal provided for in the plan or revision that is inconsistent with a recommendation of the Committee, a justification for the acquisition or disposal.

(4) In developing recommendations for the National Defense Stockpile Manager under paragraph (2), the Committee shall consult from time to time with representatives of producers, processors, and consumers of the types of materials stored in the stockpile.

(June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 10, as added Pub. L. 96-41, § 2(a), July 30, 1979, 93 Stat. 323; amended Pub. L. 102-484, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3314, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2654.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 10 of act June 7, 1939, ch. 190, § 10, was renumbered section 13 and is classified to section 98h-4 of this title.

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in former section 98a(b) of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 96-41.

AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-484 added subsec. (c).

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of all functions, personnel, assets, components, authorities, grant programs, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management relating thereto, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, see section 315(a)(1) of Title 6, Domestic Security.

For transfer of functions, personnel, assets, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency relating thereto, to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see former section 313(1) and sections 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.

DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under this section delegated to Secretary of Defense by section 1 of Ex. Ord. No. 12636, Feb. 25, 1988, 53 F.R. 6114, set out under section 98 of this title.

TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory committees 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 committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided for by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGARDING OPERATION AND MODERNIZATION OF STOCKPILE

Pub. L. 102-484, div. C, title XXXIII, § 3306, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2652, provided that:

“(a) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than March 15, 1993, the President shall appoint an advisory committee under section 10(a) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h-1(a)) to make recommendations to the President concerning the operation and modernization of the National Defense Stockpile.

“(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The committee shall consist of members who have expertise regarding strategic and critical materials, including—