

ure. Meetings of the committee shall be held at the request of the Secretary for the purpose of making recommendations concerning the promotion of tourist travel under the provisions of sections 1544 to 1548 of this title. The members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their services as members, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for such necessary travel and other expenses in connection with their attendance at committee meetings as may be authorized or approved by the Secretary.

(July 19, 1940, ch. 642, §3, 54 Stat. 773; Pub. L. 93-193, §2, Dec. 19, 1973, 87 Stat. 765; Pub. L. 97-31, §12(10), Aug. 6, 1981, 95 Stat. 154; Pub. L. 98-443, §9(o), Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1708.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 18b of Title 16, Conservation.

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-443 struck out “the Civil Aeronautics Authority,” after “the Interstate Commerce Commission,”.

1981—Pub. L. 97-31 substituted “Department of Transportation” for “United States Maritime Commission”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-443 effective Jan. 1, 1985, see section 9(v) of Pub. L. 98-443, set out as a note under section 5314 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Secretary of Commerce substituted for Secretary of the Interior in view of transfer of functions to Secretary of Commerce from Secretary of the Interior by section 2 of Pub. L. 93-193. See Transfer of Functions note set out under section 1544 of this title.

#### ABOLITION OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Interstate Commerce Commission abolished and functions of Commission transferred, except as otherwise provided in Pub. L. 104-88, to Surface Transportation Board effective Jan. 1, 1996, by section 702 of Title 49, Transportation, and section 101 of Pub. L. 104-88, set out as a note under section 701 of Title 49. References to Interstate Commerce Commission deemed to refer to Surface Transportation Board, a member or employee of the Board, or Secretary of Transportation, as appropriate, see section 205 of Pub. L. 104-88, set out as a note under section 701 of Title 49.

### § 1547. Rules and regulations; employees

In the performance of his functions and duties under the provisions of sections 1544 to 1548 of this title, the Secretary of Commerce is authorized—

(a) To prescribe, amend, and repeal such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary, and to accept contributions for carrying out the purposes of said sections; and

(b) To employ, subject to chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, one special assistant and not to exceed five artists and illustrators.

(July 19, 1940, ch. 642, §4, 54 Stat. 774; Oct. 28, 1949, ch. 782, title XI, §1106(a), 63 Stat. 972; Pub. L. 93-193, §2, Dec. 19, 1973, 87 Stat. 765.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 18c of Title 16, Conservation.

Provisions of par. (b) authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to employ “without regard to the civil-service laws” were omitted as such employment is subject to the civil service laws unless specifically excepted by those laws or by laws enacted subsequent to Executive Order 8743, Apr. 23, 1941, issued by the President pursuant to the Act of Nov. 26, 1940, ch. 919, title I, §1, 54 Stat. 1211, which covered most excepted positions into the classified (competitive) civil service. The Order is set out as a note under section 3301 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

“Chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5” substituted in par. (b) for “the Classification Act of 1949, as amended” on authority of Pub. L. 89-554, §7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, the first section of which enacted Title 5.

#### AMENDMENTS

1949—Par. (b), Act Oct. 28, 1949, substituted “Classification Act of 1949” for “Classification Act of 1923”.

#### REPEALS

Act Oct. 28, 1949, ch. 782, cited as a credit to this section, was repealed (subject to a savings clause) by Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, §8, 80 Stat. 632, 655.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Secretary of Commerce substituted for Secretary of the Interior in view of transfer of functions to Secretary of Commerce from Secretary of the Interior by section 2 of Pub. L. 93-193. See Transfer of Functions note set out under section 1544 of this title.

### § 1548. Authorization of appropriations

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of sections 1544 to 1548 of this title, there are authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976; \$625,000 for the transition period of July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976; \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, and \$2,500,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978.

(July 19, 1940, ch. 642, §5, 54 Stat. 774; Pub. L. 91-549, Dec. 14, 1970, 84 Stat. 1437; Pub. L. 94-55, §2(a), July 9, 1975, 89 Stat. 262.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 18d of Title 16, Conservation.

#### AMENDMENTS

1975—Pub. L. 94-55 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$2,500,000 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, \$625,000 for the transition period of July 1, 1976 through Sept. 30, 1976, \$2,500,000 for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1977, and \$2,500,000 for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1978, for provisions authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$250,000 for fiscal year 1971 and \$750,000 for fiscal year 1972.

1970—Pub. L. 91-549 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of not more than \$250,000 for fiscal year 1971 and not more than \$750,000 for fiscal year 1972, for provisions which authorized appropriations of not more than \$100,000 annually.

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