

of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

§ 669h-1. Firearm and bow hunter education and safety program grants

(a) In general

(1) Grants

Of the revenues covered into the fund, \$7,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2001 and 2002, and \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, shall be apportioned among the States in the manner specified in section 669c(c)¹ of this title by the Secretary of the Interior and used to make grants to the States to be used for—

(A) in the case of a State that has not used all of the funds apportioned to the State under section 669c(c)¹ of this title for the fiscal year in the manner described in section 669g(b) of this title—

(i) the enhancement of hunter education programs, hunter and sporting firearm safety programs, and hunter development programs;

(ii) the enhancement of interstate coordination and development of hunter education and shooting range programs;

(iii) the enhancement of bow hunter and archery education, safety, and development programs; and

(iv) the enhancement of construction or development of firearm shooting ranges and archery ranges, and the updating of safety features of firearm shooting ranges and archery ranges; and

(B) in the case of a State that has used all of the funds apportioned to the State under section 669c(c)¹ of this title for the fiscal year in the manner described in section 669g(b) of this title, any use authorized by this chapter (including hunter safety programs and the construction, operation, and maintenance of public target ranges).

(2) Limitation on use

Under paragraph (1), a State shall not be required to use more than the amount described in section 669g(b) of this title for hunter safety programs and the construction, operation, and maintenance of public target ranges.

(b) Cost sharing

The Federal share of the cost of any activity carried out with a grant under this section shall not exceed 75 percent of the total cost of the activity.

(c) Period of availability; reapportionment

(1) Period of availability

Amounts made available and apportioned for grants under this section shall remain available only for the fiscal year for which the amounts are apportioned.

(2) Reapportionment

At the end of the period of availability under paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Interior shall apportion amounts made available that

have not been used to make grants under this section among the States described in subsection (a)(1)(B) of this section for use by those States in accordance with this chapter.

(Sept. 2, 1937, ch. 899, §10, as added Pub. L. 106-408, title I, §112(2), Nov. 1, 2000, 114 Stat. 1766.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 10 of act Sept. 2, 1937, was renumbered section 12 and is classified to section 669i of this title.

§ 669h-2. Multistate conservation grant program

(a) In general

(1) Amount for grants

Not more than \$3,000,000 of the revenues covered into the fund for a fiscal year shall be available to the Secretary of the Interior for making multistate conservation project grants in accordance with this section.

(2) Period of availability; apportionment

(A) Period of availability

Amounts made available under paragraph (1) shall remain available for making grants only for the first fiscal year for which the amount is made available and the following fiscal year.

(B) Apportionment

At the end of the period of availability under subparagraph (A), the Secretary of the Interior shall apportion any amounts that remain available among the States in the manner specified in section 669c(b) of this title for use by the States in the same manner as funds apportioned under section 669c(b) of this title.

(b) Selection of projects

(1) States or entities to be benefited

A project shall not be eligible for a grant under this section unless the project will benefit—

(A) at least 26 States;

(B) a majority of the States in a region of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service; or

(C) a regional association of State fish and game departments.

(2) Use of submitted priority list of projects

The Secretary of the Interior may make grants under this section only for projects identified on a priority list of wildlife restoration projects described in paragraph (3).

(3) Priority list of projects

A priority list referred to in paragraph (2) is a priority list of wildlife restoration projects that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies—

(A) prepares through a committee comprised of the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees), in consultation with—

(i) nongovernmental organizations that represent conservation organizations;

(ii) sportsmen organizations; and

(iii) industries that support or promote hunting, trapping, recreational shooting, bow hunting, or archery;

¹ Probably means section 669c(c) relating to apportionment of certain taxes.

(B) approves by vote of a majority of the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees); and

(C) not later than October 1 of each fiscal year, submits to the Assistant Director for Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs.

(4) Publication

The Assistant Director for Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs shall publish in the Federal Register each priority list submitted under paragraph (3)(C).

(c) Eligible grantees

(1) In general

The Secretary of the Interior may make a grant under this section only to—

(A) a State or group of States;

(B) the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, or a State or group of States, for the purpose of carrying out the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation; and

(C) subject to paragraph (2), a nongovernmental organization.

(2) Nongovernmental organizations

(A) In general

Any nongovernmental organization that applies for a grant under this section shall submit with the application to the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies a certification that the organization—

(i) will not use the grant funds to fund, in whole or in part, any activity of the organization that promotes or encourages opposition to the regulated hunting or trapping of wildlife; and

(ii) will use the grant funds in compliance with subsection (d) of this section.

(B) Penalties for certain activities

Any nongovernmental organization that is found to use grant funds in violation of subparagraph (A) shall return all funds received under this section and be subject to any other applicable penalties under law.

(d) Use of grants

A grant under this section shall not be used, in whole or in part, for an activity, project, or program that promotes or encourages opposition to the regulated hunting or trapping of wildlife.

(e) Nonapplicability of Federal Advisory Committee Act

The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to any activity carried out under this section.

(Sept. 2, 1937, ch. 899, §11, as added Pub. L. 106-408, title I, §113, Nov. 1, 2000, 114 Stat. 1767.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

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

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 11 of act Sept. 2, 1937, was classified to section 669j of this title prior to repeal by act Aug. 7, 1946.

§ 669i. Rules and regulations

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

(Sept. 2, 1937, ch. 899, §12, formerly §10, 50 Stat. 919; 1939 Reorg. Plan No. II, §4(f), eff. July 1, 1939, 4 F.R. 2731, 53 Stat. 1433; renumbered §12, Pub. L. 106-408, title I, §112(1), Nov. 1, 2000, 114 Stat. 1766.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Reorg. Plan No. II of 1939, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, transferred functions of Secretary of Agriculture relating to conservation of wildlife, game, and migratory birds to Secretary of the Interior.

§ 669j. Repealed. Aug. 7, 1946, ch. 770, §1(14), 60 Stat. 867

Section, act Sept. 2, 1937, ch. 899, §11, 50 Stat. 919; Reorg. Plan No. II, §4(f) of 1939, eff. July 1, 1939, 4 F.R. 2731, 53 Stat. 1433, related to annual report to Congress by the Secretary of the Interior.

§ 669k. Reports and certifications

(a) Implementation report

(1) In general

At the time at which the President submits to Congress a budget request for the Department of the Interior for fiscal year 2002, the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report on the steps that have been taken to comply with this title¹ and the amendments made by this title.¹

(2) Contents

The report under paragraph (1) shall describe—

(A) the extent to which compliance with this title¹ and the amendments made by this title¹ has required a reduction in the number of personnel assigned to administer, manage, and oversee the Federal Assistance Program for State Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration;

(B) any revisions to this title¹ or the amendments made by this title¹ that would be desirable in order for the Secretary of the Interior to adequately administer the Program and ensure that funds provided to State agencies are properly used; and

(C) any other information concerning the implementation of this title¹ and the amendments made by this title¹ that the Secretary of the Interior considers appropriate.

(b) Projected spending report

At the time at which the President submits a budget request for the Department of the Interior for fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary of the Interior shall report in writing to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of

¹ See References in Text note below.