

Dec. 12, 1985, 99 Stat. 1059; Pub. L. 104-4, title I, § 104, Mar. 22, 1995, 109 Stat. 62; renumbered § 402, Pub. L. 105-33, title X, § 10116(c)(1), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 692.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 1353 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97-258, § 1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 402 of Pub. L. 93-344 was classified to section 652 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-33.

#### AMENDMENTS

1995—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(2), struck out subsection designation.

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(1)(A), (C), redesignated par. (3) as (2) and struck out former par. (2), which read as follows: “an estimate of the cost which would be incurred by State and local governments in carrying out or complying with any significant bill or resolution in the fiscal year in which it is to become effective and in each of the four fiscal years following such fiscal year, together with the basis for each such estimate;”.

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(1)(C), redesignated par. (4) as (3). Former par. (3) redesignated (2).

Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(1)(B), which directed the substitution of “paragraph (1)” for “paragraphs (1) and (2)”, was executed by making the substitution for “paragraph (1) and (2)” to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(1)(C), redesignated par. (4) as (3).

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 104-4, § 104(3), struck out subsecs. (b) and (c) which read as follows:

“(b) For purposes of subsection (a)(2) of this section, the term ‘local government’ has the same meaning as in section 6501 of title 31.

“(c) For purposes of subsection (a)(2) of this section, the term ‘significant bill or resolution’ is defined as any bill or resolution which in the judgment of the Director of the Congressional Budget Office is likely to result in an annual cost to State and local governments of \$200,000,000 or more, or is likely to have exceptional fiscal consequences for a geographic region or a particular level of government.”

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-177 added par. (4) and substituted “estimates, comparison, and description” for “estimates and comparison” in last sentence.

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-108, § 2(a)(1)-(6), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), added par. (2), redesignated former par. (2) as (3), in par. (3) as so redesignated, substituted “estimates” for “estimate” in two places, and substituted reference to pars. (1) and (2) for reference to par. (1), and in provision following par. (3) substituted “estimates” for “estimate”.

Subsecs. (b) and (c). Pub. L. 97-108, § 2(a)(7), added subsecs. (b) and (c).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1995 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-4 effective Jan. 1, 1996, or on the date 90 days after appropriations are made available as authorized under section 1516 of this title, whichever is earlier, and applicable to legislation considered on and after such date, see section 110 of Pub. L. 104-4, set out as an Effective Date note under section 1511 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-177 effective Dec. 12, 1985, and applicable with respect to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1985, see section 275(a)(1) of Pub. L. 99-177, formerly set out as an Effective and Termination Dates note under section 900 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 112-25, title I, § 104(a), Aug. 2, 2011, 125 Stat. 246.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 97-108, § 2(b), Dec. 23, 1981, 95 Stat. 1511, provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to bills or resolutions reported by committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate after September 30, 1982.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Amendment by Pub. L. 93-344 effective on day on which first Director of Congressional Budget Office is appointed under section 601(a) of this title, see section 905(b) of Pub. L. 93-344, formerly set out as an Effective Date note under section 621 of this title.

#### AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Pub. L. 97-108, § 3, Dec. 23, 1981, 95 Stat. 1511, provided that: “There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this Act [amending this section and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and section 621 of this title].”

#### EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATION

Pub. L. 97-108, § 4, Dec. 23, 1981, 95 Stat. 1511, which provided for expiration on Sept. 30, 1987, of authorization granted under Pub. L. 97-108, which amended this section and enacted provisions set out as notes under sections 621 and 653 of this title, was repealed by Pub. L. 100-119, title II, § 204, Sept. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 784.

### § 654. Study by Government Accountability Office of forms of Federal financial commitment not reviewed annually by Congress

The Government Accountability Office shall study those provisions of law which provide mandatory spending and report to the Congress its recommendations for the appropriate form of financing for activities or programs financed by such provisions not later than eighteen months after December 12, 1985. Such report shall be revised from time to time.

(Pub. L. 93-344, title IV, § 404, formerly § 405, as added Pub. L. 99-177, title II, § 214, Dec. 12, 1985, 99 Stat. 1059; renumbered § 404 and amended Pub. L. 105-33, title X, § 10116(c)(1), (2), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 692; Pub. L. 108-271, § 8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 404 of Pub. L. 93-344, which is not classified to the Code, was renumbered section 403 by Pub. L. 105-33, title X, § 10116(c)(1), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 692.

#### AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-271 substituted “Government Accountability Office” for “General Accounting Office” in section catchline and text.

1997—Pub. L. 105-33, § 10116(c)(2), substituted “mandatory spending” for “spending authority as described by section 651(c)(2) of this title and which provide permanent appropriations,”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 12, 1985, and applicable with respect to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1985, see section 275(a)(1) of Pub. L. 99-177, formerly set out as an Effective and Termination Dates note under section 900 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 112-25, title I, § 104(a), Aug. 2, 2011, 125 Stat. 246.

### § 655. Off-budget agencies, programs, and activities

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, budget authority, credit authority, and es-