

“(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘appropriate congressional committees’ means—

“(1) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives;

“(2) the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate; and

“(3) the House Office Building Commission.

“(b) STUDY OF CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE ENTITY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 8, 2004], the Comptroller General shall conduct a study and submit to the appropriate congressional committees and the Architect of the Capitol a report that—

“(1) analyzes the costs, cost effectiveness, benefits, and feasibility of the Architect of the Capitol entering into a contract with a private entity for the management and operation of the Capitol Power Plant; and

“(2) makes a recommendation on whether the Architect of the Capitol should enter into such a contract.

“(c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—If the Comptroller General makes a recommendation under subsection (b)(2) in favor of entering into a contract, the Architect of the Capitol shall submit an implementation plan for that contract to the appropriate congressional committees not later than the later of—

“(1) 270 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 8, 2004]; or

“(2) the date of the completion of the West Refrigeration Plant.

“(d) CONTRACT.—Subject to the approval of the appropriate congressional committees, the Architect of the Capitol shall enter into a contract with a private entity for the management and operation of the Capitol Power Plant.

“(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply to fiscal year 2005 and each fiscal year thereafter.”

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION COAL YARD

Pub. L. 100-458, title I, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2170, provided: “That appropriations under this head [‘CAPITOL POWER PLANT’] shall hereafter be available for maintenance, alterations, personal and other services, and for all other necessary expenses of the Government owned property, buildings and facilities located in Lot 803, Square 695, formerly known as the General Services Administration Coal Yard at 42 I Street, S.E., in the District of Columbia.”

§ 2162a. Promoting maximum efficiency in operation of Capitol Power Plant

(a) Steam boilers

(1) In general

The Architect of the Capitol shall take such steps as may be necessary to operate the steam boilers at the Capitol Power Plant in the most energy efficient manner possible to minimize carbon emissions and operating costs, including adjusting steam pressures and adjusting the operation of the boilers to take into account variations in demand, including seasonality, for the use of the system.

(2) Effective date

The Architect shall implement the steps required under paragraph (1) not later than 30 days after December 19, 2007.

(b) Chiller plant

(1) In general

The Architect of the Capitol shall take such steps as may be necessary to operate the chiller plant at the Capitol Power Plant in the most energy efficient manner possible to minimize carbon emissions and operating costs, in-

cluding adjusting water temperatures and adjusting the operation of the chillers to take into account variations in demand, including seasonality, for the use of the system.

(2) Effective date

The Architect shall implement the steps required under paragraph (1) not later than 30 days after December 19, 2007.

(c) Meters

Not later than 90 days after December 19, 2007, the Architect of the Capitol shall evaluate the accuracy of the meters in use at the Capitol Power Plant and correct them as necessary.

(d) Report on implementation

Not later than 180 days after December 19, 2007, the Architect of the Capitol shall complete the implementation of the requirements of this section and submit a report describing the actions taken and the energy efficiencies achieved to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

(Pub. L. 110-140, title V, §504, Dec. 19, 2007, 121 Stat. 1656.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective on the date that is 1 day after Dec. 19, 2007, see section 1601 of Pub. L. 110-140, set out as a note under section 1824 of this title.

§ 2163. Capitol Grounds shuttle service

Funds appropriated for the Capitol Grounds after October 1, 1976, shall be available for the purchase or rental, maintenance and operation of passenger motor vehicles to provide shuttle service for Members and employees of Congress to and from the buildings in the Legislative group.

(Pub. L. 94-440, title VI, Oct. 1, 1976, 90 Stat. 1453.)

CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 223 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107-217, §1, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062.

§ 2164. Transportation of House Pages by Capitol Grounds shuttle service

The passenger motor vehicles authorized by section 2163 of this title to provide a shuttle service for Members and employees of Congress may be used for the transportation of House Pages to and from special events associated with their education when approved by the House of Representatives Page Board: *Provided further*, That the use of the said passenger motor vehicles for transportation of House Pages shall not interfere with the shuttle service for Members and employees of the Congress.

(Pub. L. 99-151, title I, Nov. 13, 1985, 99 Stat. 801.)

CODIFICATION

Section was classified to section 224 of former Title 40, prior to the enactment of Title 40, Public Buildings,