

establish National Film Registry for purpose of maintaining and preserving culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant films.

Section 179a, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §203, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 267, required Librarian of Congress to conduct study of film preservation, to establish film preservation program and guidelines and procedures for inclusion of films in National Film Registry, and to report to Congress on films selected and activities undertaken.

Section 179b, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §204, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 268, related to establishment of National Film Preservation Board and provided for number and appointment of members, chairperson, term of office, quorum, basic pay, meetings, and conflict of interest.

Section 179c, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §205, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 270, related to responsibilities and powers of Board, including consultation with Librarian with respect to inclusion of films in Registry, consideration of films nominated for inclusion in Registry, and general powers.

Section 179d, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §206, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 270, related to National Film Registry Collection of Library of Congress, including provisions relating to acquisition of archival quality copies and additional materials, ownership of copies and additional materials by United States, and maintenance of and access to Collection.

Section 179e, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §207, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 271, related to seal of National Film Registry.

Section 179f, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §208, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 271, provided that district courts of United States were to have jurisdiction to prevent and restrain unlawful use of seal.

Section 179g, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §209, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 271, provided that remedies provided in section 179f were to be exclusive.

Section 179h, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §210, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 271, authorized Librarian to appoint and fix pay of staff and to procure services of experts and consultants.

Section 179i, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §211, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 271, defined terms for purpose of sections 179 to 179k of this title.

Section 179j, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §212, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 272, authorized to be appropriated to Librarian necessary sums to carry out sections 179 to 179k of this title.

Section 179k, Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §213, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 272, provided that sections 179 to 179k of this title were effective for 4 years beginning June 26, 1992, and applicable to any copy of any film, including copies of films selected for inclusion in National Film Registry under National Film Preservation Act of 1988.

For similar provisions, see section 179l et seq. of this title.

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §201, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 267, which provided that title II of Pub. L. 102-307, which enacted sections 179 to 179k of this title and repealed sections 178 to 178l of this title and provisions set out as a note under section 178 of this title, was to be cited as the “National Film Preservation Act of 1992”, was repealed by Pub. L. 104-285, title I, §114, Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3382.

§ 179l. National Film Registry of Library of Congress

The Librarian of Congress (hereafter in sections 179l to 179w of this title referred to as the “Librarian”) shall continue the National Film Registry established and maintained under the National Film Preservation Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-446), and the National Film Preservation Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-307) pursuant to the provisions of sections 179l to 179w of this

title, for the purpose of maintaining and preserving films that are culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant.

(Pub. L. 104-285, title I, §102, Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3377.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 179l to 179w of the title, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act” the first place appearing and “this title” the second place appearing, both of which were translated as meaning title I of Pub. L. 104-285, Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3377, which is classified principally to sections 179l to 179w of this title. For complete classification of title I to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

The National Film Preservation Act of 1988, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 100-446, title I, §§1-13, Sept. 27, 1988, 102 Stat. 1782-1788, which was classified to sections 178 to 178l of this title and was repealed by Pub. L. 102-307, title II, §214, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 272.

The National Film Preservation Act of 1992, referred to in text, is title II of Pub. L. 102-307, June 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 267, which was classified principally to sections 179 to 179k of this title and was repealed by Pub. L. 104-285, title I, §114, Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3382.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior provisions similar to sections 179l to 179w of this title were contained in former section 179 et seq. of this title.

SHORT TITLE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 110-336, §1, Oct. 2, 2008, 122 Stat. 3726, provided that: “This Act [amending sections 179m, 179n, 179v, 179w, 1722, and 1743 of this title and sections 151702, 151703, 151711, 152403, 152405, 152406, and 152411 of Title 36, Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 179v and 1743 of this title and section 152411 of Title 36] may be cited as the ‘Library of Congress Sound Recording and Film Preservation Programs Reauthorization Act of 2008.’”

SHORT TITLE OF 2005 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-9, title III, §301, Apr. 27, 2005, 119 Stat. 224, provided that: “This subtitle [subtitle A (§§301, 302) of title III of Pub. L. 109-9, amending sections 179m, 179n, 179p, 179q, and 179w of this title] may be cited as the ‘National Film Preservation Act of 2005.’”

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 104-285, title I, §101, Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3377, provided that: “This title [enacting this section and sections 179m to 179w of this title and repealing sections 179 to 179k of this title and provisions set out as a note under section 179 of this title] may be cited as the ‘National Film Preservation Act of 1996.’”

§ 179m. Duties of Librarian of Congress

(a) Powers

(1) In general

The Librarian shall, after consultation with the Board established pursuant to section 179n of this title—

(A) continue the implementation of the comprehensive national film preservation program for motion pictures established under the National Film Preservation Act of 1992, in conjunction with other film archivists, educators and historians, copyright owners, film industry representatives, and others involved in activities related to film preservation, taking into account the objectives of the national film preservation study