

“(2) the relative effectiveness of the Endowment, the States (including State agencies), and local arts agencies in maximizing the amount of financial assistance they make available under such section, and

“(3) the existing capacity of the States to receive increased allocations under section 5 of such Act and the ability of the States to manage such increased allocations effectively.

“(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than October 1, 1992, the Comptroller General shall submit, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate, a report summarizing the results of the study conducted under subsection (a).”

TEMPORARY INDEPENDENT COMMISSION TO REVIEW GRANT MAKING PROCEDURES AND CONSIDER STANDARDS FOR PUBLICLY FUNDED ART

Pub. L. 101-121, title III, §304(a)–(c), Oct. 23, 1989, 103 Stat. 741, 742, prohibited use of funds for National Endowment for the Arts or National Endowment for the Humanities to promote, disseminate, or produce materials which in judgment of National Endowment for the Arts or National Endowment for the Humanities may be considered obscene; stated the sense of Congress concerning present procedures employed for awarding National Endowment for the Arts grants; and established Independent Commission, to expire Sept. 30, 1990, for purpose of reviewing National Endowment for the Arts grant making procedures, and considering whether standard for publicly funded art should be different than standard for privately funded art.

§ 954a. Access to the arts through support of education

(a) Purposes

The purposes of this section are—

(1) to increase accessibility to the arts through providing education to all Americans, including diverse cultures, urban and rural populations by encouraging and developing quality education in the arts at all levels, in conjunction with programs of nonformal education for all age groups, with formal systems of elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education;

(2) to develop and stimulate research to teach quality education in the arts; and

(3) to encourage and facilitate the work of artists, arts institutions, and Federal, State, regional, and local agencies in the area of education in the arts.

(b) Program of contracts or grants

The Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts,¹ is authorized to establish and carry out a program of contracts with, or grants to, any State or other public agency, individual, artist, any nonprofit society, performing and nonperforming arts and educational institution or organization, association, or museum in the United States, in order to foster and encourage exceptional talent, public knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of the arts, and to support the education, training, and development of this Nation's artists, through such activities as projects that will—

(1) promote and improve the availability of arts instruction for American youth and life-long learning in the arts;

(2) enhance the quality of arts instruction in programs of teacher education;

(3) develop arts faculty resources and talents;

(4) support and encourage the development of improved curriculum materials in the arts;

(5) improve evaluation and assessment of education in the arts programs and instruction;

(6) foster cooperative programs with the Department of Education and encourage partnerships between arts and education agencies at State and local levels, arts organizations, business colleges and universities;

(7) support apprenticeships, internships, and other career oriented work-study experiences for artists and arts teachers, and encourage residencies of artists at all educational levels;

(8) support the use of technology and improved facilities and resources in education in the arts programs at all levels; and

(9) foster the development of demonstration projects, demonstration productions, demonstration workshops, and demonstration programs in arts education and collect, and make available to the public, information on their implementation and effectiveness.

(c) Advisory council on arts education

In order to provide advice and counsel concerning arts education, the Chairperson shall appoint an advisory council on arts education.

(Pub. L. 89-209, §5A, as added Pub. L. 101-512, title III, §318 [title I, §105], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1960, 1967.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1990, see section 318 [title IV, §403(a)] of Pub. L. 101-512, set out as an Effective Date of 1990 Amendment note under section 951 of this title.

§ 955. National Council on the Arts

(a) Inclusion within the National Endowment for the Arts

There shall be, within the National Endowment for the Arts, a National Council on the Arts (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “Council”).

(b) Appointment and composition of Council

(1) The Council shall be composed of members as follows:

(A) The Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts, who shall be the chairperson of the Council.

(B) Members of Congress appointed for a 2-year term beginning on January 1 of each odd-numbered year as follows:

(i) Two Members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(ii) One Member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(iii) Two Senator¹ appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.

(iv) One Senator appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

Members of the Council appointed under this subparagraph shall serve ex officio and shall be nonvoting members of the Council.

¹ So in original. The comma probably should not appear.

¹ So in original. Probably should be “Senators”.