

the Board in accordance with section 5383 of title 5.

(Pub. L. 102-259, § 5, Mar. 19, 1992, 106 Stat. 79; Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, §101(f) [title VI, §655], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-314, 3009-369; Pub. L. 105-156, § 3, Feb. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 8; Pub. L. 111-90, § 5, Nov. 3, 2009, 123 Stat. 2977.)

AMENDMENTS

2009—Pub. L. 111-90, §5(1), substituted “and Stewart L. Udall” for “Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-90, §5(2), substituted “and Stewart L. Udall” for “Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy”.

Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 111-90, §5(3), substituted “a rate determined by the Board in accordance with section 5383 of title 5” for “the rate specified for employees in level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5”.

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-156, §3(1), substituted “thirteen” for “twelve” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(7). Pub. L. 105-156, §3(2), added par. (7).

1996—Subsec. (c)(1)(C). Pub. L. 104-208 added subpar. (C).

§ 5604. Purpose of Foundation

It is the purpose of the Foundation to—

(1) increase awareness of the importance of and promote the benefit and enjoyment of the Nation’s natural resources;

(2) foster among the American population greater recognition and understanding of the role of the environment, public lands and resources in the development of the United States;

(3) identify critical environmental issues;

(4) establish a Program for Environmental Policy Research and Environmental Conflict Resolution and Training at the Center;

(5) develop resources to properly train professionals in the environmental and related fields;

(6) provide educational outreach regarding environmental policy;

(7) develop resources to properly train Native American and Alaska Native professionals in health care and public policy, by conducting management and leadership training of Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and others involved in tribal leadership, providing assistance and resources for policy analysis, and carrying out other appropriate activities;¹

(8) establish as part of the Foundation the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution to assist the Federal Government in implementing section 4331 of title 42 by providing assessment, mediation, and other related services to resolve environmental disputes involving agencies and instrumentalities of the United States; and

(9) complement the direction established by the President in Executive Order No. 12988 (61 Fed. Reg. 4729; relating to civil justice reform).

(Pub. L. 102-259, § 6, Mar. 19, 1992, 106 Stat. 80; Pub. L. 105-156, § 4, Feb. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106-568, title VIII, §817(a), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2918.)

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

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Executive Order No. 12988, referred to in par. (9), is set out as a note under section 519 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

AMENDMENTS

2000—Par. (7). Pub. L. 106-568 inserted before semicolon at end “, by conducting management and leadership training of Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and others involved in tribal leadership, providing assistance and resources for policy analysis, and carrying out other appropriate activities.”

1998—Par. (4). Pub. L. 105-156, §4(1), substituted “Environmental Conflict Resolution and Training” for “an Environmental Conflict Resolution”.

Pars. (8), (9). Pub. L. 105-156, §4(2)–(4), added pars. (8) and (9).

§ 5605. Authority of Foundation

(a) Authority of Foundation

(1) In general

(A) The Foundation, in consultation with the Center, is authorized to identify and conduct such programs, activities, and services as the Foundation considers appropriate to carry out the purposes described in section 5604 of this title. The Foundation shall have the authority to award scholarships, fellowships, internships, and grants and fund the Center to carry out and manage other programs, activities and services.

(B) The Foundation may provide, directly or by contract, for the conduct of national competition for the purpose of selecting recipients of scholarships, fellowships, internships, and grants awarded under this chapter.

(C) The Foundation may award scholarships, fellowships, internships and grants to eligible individuals in accordance with the provisions of this chapter for study in fields related to the environment and Native American and Alaska Native health care and tribal public policy. Such scholarships, fellowships, internships and grants shall be awarded to eligible individuals who meet the minimum criteria established by the Foundation.

(D) INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The Foundation shall—

(I) establish the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution as part of the Foundation; and

(II) identify and conduct such programs, activities, and services as the Foundation determines appropriate to permit the Foundation to provide assessment, mediation, training, and other related services to resolve environmental disputes.

(ii) GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY OF CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROVISION.—In providing assessment, mediation, training, and other related services under clause (i)(II) to resolve environmental disputes, the Foundation shall consider, to the maximum extent practicable, conflict resolution providers within the geographic proximity of the conflict.

(2) Scholarships

(A) Scholarships shall be awarded to outstanding undergraduate students who intend to pursue careers related to the environment