tion of birth or certification of nationality or issuance of a passport of a United States citizen born in Taiwan, the Secretary of State shall permit the place of birth to be recorded as Taiwan."

## § 2706. Reprograming of funds; notice requirements

## (a) In general

Unless the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate are notified fifteen days in advance of the proposed reprograming, funds appropriated for the Department of State shall not be available for obligation or expenditure through any reprograming of funds—

- (1) which creates new programs;
- (2) which eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- (3) which increases funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress;
  - (4) which relocates an office or employees;
- (5) which reorganizes offices, programs, or activities;
- (6) which involves contracting out functions which had been performed by Federal employees: or
- (7) which involves a reprograming in excess of \$1,000,000 or 10 per centum, whichever is less, and which (A) augments existing programs, projects, or activities, (B) reduces by 10 per centum or more the funding for any existing program, project, activity, or personnel approved by the Congress, or (C) results from any general savings from a reduction in personnel which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects approved by the Congress.

## (b) Final 15 days in which funds available

Funds appropriated for the Department of State may not be available for obligation or expenditure through any reprogramming described in subsection (a) during the period which is the last 15 days in which such funds are available unless notice of such reprogramming is made before such period.

## (c) Waiver

The Secretary of State may waive the notification requirement of subsection (a), if the Secretary determines that failure to do so would pose a substantial risk to human health or welfare. In the case of any waiver under this subsection, notification to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives shall be provided as soon as practicable, but not later than 3 days after taking the action to which the notification requirement was applicable, and shall contain an explanation of the emergency circumstances.

(Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, title I, §34, as added Pub. L. 98–164, title I, §123, Nov. 22, 1983, 97 Stat. 1025; amended Pub. L. 100–204, title I, §121, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1339; Pub. L. 102–138, title I,

§117(b), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 657; Pub. L. 103-236, title I, §122(c), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 392; Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXII, §2243, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-823.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 34 of act Aug. 1, 1956, was renumbered sections 35 and 36 by sections 123 and 124 of Pub. L. 98–164, and subsequently renumbered, and set out as a Short Title of 1956 Amendment note under section 2651 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 102–138, title I, § 111(1), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 654.

#### AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105–277, §2243(1), in introductory provisions, substituted "International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations" for "Foreign Affairs" and inserted "and the Committee on Appropriations" after "Foreign Relations".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 105–277,  $\S$ 2243(2), added subsec. (c). 1994—Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 103–236 substituted "\$1,000,000" for "\$500,000".

1991—Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 102–138 substituted ''\$500,000'' for ''\$250,000''.

1987—Pub. L. 100–204 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

#### CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on International Relations of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Foreign Affairs of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

## § 2706a. Rewards payments

The Secretary may transfer to and merge with "Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Service" for rewards payments unobligated balances of funds appropriated under "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" for this fiscal year and for each fiscal year on and after December 26, 2007, at no later than the end of the fifth fiscal year after the fiscal year for which any such funds were appropriated or otherwise made available.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. J, title I (part), Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 2278.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Secretary, referred to in text, means the Secretary of State.

# § 2707. International communications and information policy; duties of Secretary of State

- (a) Repealed. Pub. L. 103–236, title I, §162(k)(1)(A), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 408.
- (b) The Secretary of State shall be responsible for formulation, coordination, and oversight of foreign policy related to international communications and information policy. The Secretary of State shall—
  - (1) exercise primary authority for the conduct of foreign policy with respect to such telecommunications functions, including the determination of United States positions and the conduct of United States participation in negotiations with foreign governments and international bodies. In exercising this responsibility, the Secretary shall coordinate with other agencies as appropriate, and, in particular, shall give full consideration to the authority vested by law or Executive order in the Federal Communications Commission, the Department of Commerce and the Office of the