

penses may include laboratory modernization and equipment replacement, computer operations, maintenance, and telecommunications services; requirements definition, systems analysis, and design services; acquisition or development of software; systems support services such as implementation assistance, training, and maintenance; acquisition and replacement of computer, publications, scientific instrumentation, telecommunications, and related automatic data processing equipment; and, such other activities as may be approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

There are authorized to be transferred to the fund, at fair and reasonable values at the time of transfer, inventories, equipment, receivables, and other assets, less liabilities, related to the functions to be financed by the fund as determined by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That the fund shall be credited with appropriations and other funds of the Survey, and other agencies of the Department of the Interior, other Federal agencies, and other sources, for providing materials, supplies, equipment, work, and services as authorized by law and such payments may be made in advance or upon performance: *Provided further*, That charges to users will be at rates approximately equal to the costs of furnishing the materials, supplies, equipment, facilities, and services, including such items as depreciation of equipment and facilities, and accrued annual leave: *Provided further*, That all existing balances as of November 5, 1990, from amortization fees resulting from the Survey providing telecommunications services and deposited in a special fund established on the books of the Treasury and available for payment of replacement or expansion of telecommunications services as authorized by Public Law 99-190, are hereby transferred to and merged with the working capital fund, to be used for the same purposes as originally authorized: *Provided further*, That funds that are not necessary to carry out the activities to be financed by the fund, as determined by the Secretary, shall be covered into miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury.

(Pub. L. 101-512, title I, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1924; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000; Pub. L. 103-332, title I, Sept. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 2507.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Provisions relating to the special fund authorized by Public Law 99-190, referred to in text, were formerly classified to this section. See Prior Provisions note below.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 50a, Pub. L. 99-190, §101(d) [title I], Dec. 19, 1985, 99 Stat. 1224, 1231, related to deposit of amortization fees from Geological Survey providing telecommunications services.

#### AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-332 in first par., in second sentence after “work,” inserted “facilities,” in third sentence after “include” inserted “laboratory modernization and equipment replacement,” after “operations” inserted “, maintenance,” and after “replacement of computer,” inserted “publications, scientific instrumentation,” and in second par., in second proviso after “depreciation of equipment” inserted “and facilities.”

#### CHANGE OF NAME

“United States Geological Survey” substituted for “Geological Survey” in first paragraph pursuant to provision of title I of Pub. L. 102-154, set out as a note under section 31 of this title.

#### § 50b. Recording of obligations against accounts receivable and crediting of amounts received; work involving cooperation with State, Territory, etc.

Before, on, and after October 18, 1986, in carrying out work involving cooperation with any State, Territory, possession, or political subdivision thereof, the United States Geological Survey may, notwithstanding any other provision of law, record obligations against accounts receivable from any such entities and shall credit amounts received from such entities to this appropriation.

(Pub. L. 99-500, §101(h) [title I], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-242, 1783-252, and Pub. L. 99-591, §101(h) [title I], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-242, 3341-252; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This appropriation, referred to in text, probably means appropriations under the headings “GEOLOGICAL SURVEY” and “SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH” of the annual Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

#### CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 99-591 is a corrected version of Pub. L. 99-500. In text, “Before, on, and after October 18, 1986” substituted for “heretofore and hereafter”.

#### CHANGE OF NAME

“United States Geological Survey” substituted in text for “Geological Survey” pursuant to provision of title I of Pub. L. 102-154, set out as a note under section 31 of this title.

#### § 50c. Payment of costs incidental to utilization of services of volunteers

Appropriations herein and on and after December 22, 1987, made shall be available for paying costs incidental to the utilization of services contributed by individuals who serve without compensation as volunteers in aid of work of the United States Geological Survey, and that within appropriations herein and on and after December 22, 1987, provided, United States Geological Survey officials may authorize either direct procurement of or reimbursement for expenses incidental to the effective use of volunteers such as, but not limited to, training, transportation, lodging, subsistence, equipment, and supplies: *Provided further*, That provision for such expenses or services is in accord with volunteer or cooperative agreements made with such individuals, private organizations, educational institutions, or State or local government.

(Pub. L. 100-202, §101(g) [title I], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-213, 1329-224; Pub. L. 102-154, title I, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1000.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Appropriations herein, referred to in text, probably means appropriations under the headings “GEOLOGICAL SURVEY”, “SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH”

and “ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS”, of the annual Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

#### CHANGE OF NAME

“United States Geological Survey” substituted in text for “Geological Survey” pursuant to provision of title I of Pub. L. 102-154, set out as a note under section 31 of this title.

### § 50d. Services of students or recent graduates

The United States Geological Survey may on and after November 29, 1999, contract directly with individuals or indirectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without regard to section 6101 of title 41, for the temporary or intermittent services of students or recent graduates, who shall be considered employees for the purposes of chapters 57 and 81 of title 5, relating to compensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171 of title 28, relating to tort claims, but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for any other purposes.

(Pub. L. 106-113, div. B, § 1000(a)(3) [title I], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1535, 1501A-146.)

#### CODIFICATION

In text, “section 6101 of title 41” substituted for “41 U.S.C. 5” on authority of Pub. L. 111-350, § 6(c), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3854, which Act enacted Title 41, Public Contracts.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, § 101(e) [title I], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-243.

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#### CODIFICATION

Section, act Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144, which abolished office of surveyor general and transferred its functions to Field Surveying Service under Supervisor of Surveys, was superseded by Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1946, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100. See note set out under section 1 of this title.

The office of surveyor general abolished in certain States by acts July 31, 1876, ch. 246, 19 Stat. 121, and Oct. 2, 1888, ch. 1069, 25 Stat. 525, and discontinued in others pursuant to R.S. § 2218.

So far as they were not already superseded or obsolete by reason of abolition or discontinuance of the office, or otherwise, the following provisions were superseded by former provisions of this section:

R.S. § 2207, providing for appointment of surveyors general in States and territories therein named, and acts Apr. 10, 1890, ch. 77, § 1, 26 Stat. 53, and July 24, 1897, ch. 14, § 2, 30 Stat. 215, providing for surveyors general in North and South Dakota and Alaska;

R.S. §§ 2208 to 2211; acts Apr. 10, 1890, ch. 77, § 2, 26 Stat. 53; July 24, 1897, ch. 14, § 3, 30 Stat. 215, concerning salaries of particular surveyors general;

R.S. §§ 2212 to 2214, concerning number and location, of offices, and place of residence, of surveyors general.

R.S. §§ 2215 and 2216, concerning bonds of surveyors general;

R.S. § 2217, concerning duration of term of office of surveyors general;

R.S. §§ 2226 and 2227, concerning allowances for clerk hire and office expenses;

Act Mar. 3, 1893, ch. 211, 27 Stat. 709, relative to consolidation of offices of two or more surveyors general; and provisions of act May 24, 1922, ch. 199, 42 Stat. 556, and prior acts concerning detail of clerks from office of one surveyor general to another.

### § 52. Surveying duties

The Secretary of the Interior or such officer as he may designate shall engage a sufficient number of skillful surveyors as his deputies, to whom he is authorized to administer the necessary oaths upon their appointments. He shall have authority to frame regulations for their direction, not inconsistent with law or the instructions of the Bureau of Land Management, and to remove them for negligence or misconduct in office.

Second. He shall cause to be surveyed, measured, and marked, without delay, all base and meridian lines through such points and perpetuated by such monuments, and such other correction parallels and meridians as may be prescribed by law or by instructions from the Bureau of Land Management, in respect to the public lands to which the Indian title has been or may be extinguished.

Third. He shall cause to be surveyed all private land claims after they have been confirmed by authority of Congress, so far as may be necessary to complete the survey of the public lands.

Fourth. He shall transmit to the officer, as the Secretary of the Interior may designate, of the respective land offices general and particular plats of all lands surveyed by him for each land district; and he shall forward copies of such plats to such officer as the Secretary may designate.

Fifth. He shall, so far as is compatible with the desk duties of his office, occasionally inspect the surveying operations while in progress in the field, sufficiently to satisfy himself of the fidelity of the execution of the work according to contract, and the actual and necessary expenses incurred by him while so engaged shall be allowed; and where it is incompatible with his other duties for the Secretary of the Interior or such officer as he may designate to devote the time necessary to make a personal inspection of the work in progress, then he is authorized to depute a confidential agent to make such examination; and the actual and necessary expenses of such person shall be allowed and paid for that service, and \$5 a day during the examination in the field; but such examination shall not be protracted beyond thirty days; and in no case longer than is actually necessary; and when the Secretary or such officer, or any person employed in his office at a regular salary, is engaged in such special service, he shall receive only his necessary expenses in addition to his regular salary.