

**§ 883d. Improvement of methods, instruments, and equipments; investigations and research**

To improve the efficiency of the National Ocean Survey and to increase engineering and scientific knowledge, the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to conduct developmental work for the improvement of surveying and cartographic methods, instruments, and equipments; and to conduct investigations and research in geophysical sciences (including geodesy, oceanography, seismology, and geomagnetism).

(Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 4, 61 Stat. 788; 1965 Reorg. Plan No. 2, eff. July 13, 1965, 30 F.R. 8819, 79 Stat. 1318; 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 4, eff. Oct. 3, 1970, 35 F.R. 15627, 84 Stat. 2090.)

**TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS**

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**§ 883e. Agreements for surveys and investigations; contribution of costs incurred by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

(1) The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements, or any other agreements, with, and to receive and expend funds made available by, any State or subdivision thereof, any Federal agency, or any public or private organization, or individual, for surveys or investigations authorized herein, or for performing related surveying and mapping activities, including special-purpose maps, and for the preparation and publication of the results thereof.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to establish the terms of any agreement entered into under this section, including the amount of funds to be received, and may contribute that portion of the costs incurred by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, including shiptime and personnel expenses, which the Secretary determines represents the amount of benefits derived by the Administration from the agreement.

(Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 5, 61 Stat. 788; 1965 Reorg. Plan No. 2, eff. July 13, 1965, 30 F.R. 8819, 79 Stat. 1318; Pub. L. 99-272, title VI, § 6085, Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 138; Pub. L. 106-181, title VI, § 605(b), Apr. 5, 2000, 114 Stat. 154.)

**AMENDMENTS**

2000—Par. (1). Pub. L. 106-181, § 605(b)(1), substituted “cooperative agreements, or any other agreements,” for “cooperative agreements”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 106-181, § 605(b)(2), which directed the striking of “cooperative”, was executed by striking “cooperative” before “agreement” in two places, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1986—Pub. L. 99-272 designated existing provisions as par. (1), inserted “any Federal agency,” after “or subdivision thereof,” and added par. (2).

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-181 applicable only to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1999, see section 3 of Pub. L. 106-181, set out as a note under section 106 of Title 49, Transportation.

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**§ 883f. Contracts with qualified organizations**

The Secretary of Commerce is authorized to contract with qualified organizations for the performance of any part of the authorized functions of the National Ocean Survey when he deems such procedure to be in the public interests.

(Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 6, 61 Stat. 788; 1965 Reorg. Plan No. 2, eff. July 13, 1965, 30 F.R. 8819, 79 Stat. 1318; 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 4, eff. Oct. 3, 1970, 35 F.R. 15627, 84 Stat. 2090.)

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**§ 883g. Repealed. Pub. L. 88-611, § 4(a)(2), Oct. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 991**

Section, act Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 7, 61 Stat. 788, provided for acceptance of gifts or bequests and exemption from Federal taxes. See sections 1522 and 1523 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

**§ 883h. Employment of public vessels**

The President is authorized to cause to be employed such of the public vessels as he deems it

expedient to employ, and to give such instructions for regulating their conduct as he deems proper in order to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

(Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 8, 61 Stat. 788.)

#### DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under this section delegated to Secretary of Commerce, see section 1(l) of Ex. Ord. No. 11023, May 28, 1962, 27 F.R. 5131, as amended, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 3, The President.

#### § 883i. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such funds as may be necessary to acquire, construct, maintain, and operate ships, stations, equipment, and facilities and for such other expenditures, including personal services at the seat of government and elsewhere and including the erection of temporary observatory buildings and lease of sites therefor, as may be necessary for the conduct of the activities herein authorized.

(Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, § 9, 61 Stat. 788.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Herein, referred to in text, means act Aug. 6, 1947, ch. 504, 61 Stat. 787, as amended, which is classified generally to this subchapter (§883a et seq.). For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

#### § 883j. Ocean satellite data

The Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (hereinafter referred to in this subtitle<sup>1</sup> as the “Administration”) shall take such actions, including the sponsorship of applied research, as may be necessary to assure the future availability and usefulness of ocean satellite data to the maritime community.

(Pub. L. 99-272, title VI, § 6082, Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 135.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subtitle, referred to in text, is subtitle H (§§ 6081-6085) of title VI of Pub. L. 99-272, Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 135, which enacted this section and section 1530 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, amended section 883e of this title and sections 330e, 2903 and 2904 of Title 15, and repealed section 2905 of Title 15. For complete classification of this subtitle to the Code, see Tables.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of Secretary and other officers of Department of Commerce under this section that relate to the Office of Aeronautical Charting and Cartography to provide aeronautical charts, products, and services for safe and efficient navigation of air commerce transferred to Administrator of Federal Aviation Administration effective Oct. 1, 2000, see section 44721(c)(2) of Title 49, Transportation.

#### REPORT ON SATELLITE OCEANOGRAPHY

Pub. L. 102-567, title I, § 116, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4279, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering, and Technology through the Committee on Earth and Environmental Sciences, in consultation with Federal, academic, and commercial users of remotely sensed data, shall consider and develop findings and recommendations regarding—

“(1) the most urgent current needs of oceanographic researchers within the Federal Government, the academic community, and the private sector, for remote sensing capabilities and remotely sensed data, including findings regarding the present inadequacies in these capabilities and data; and

“(2) the major goals of satellite oceanography for the next 10 years.

“(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 29, 1992], the Federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering, and Technology shall submit to the Congress a report which describes the findings and recommendations of the Committee on Earth and Environmental Sciences, including recommendations for, or a description of actions to be taken toward—

“(1) correcting the inadequacies in remote sensing capabilities;

“(2) improving the availability of remotely sensed data; and

“(3) achieving the major goals of satellite oceanography developed pursuant to subsection (a)(2).”

#### § 883k. Acquisition of land for facilities

For fiscal year 1990 and hereafter funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for acquisition of land for facilities.

(Pub. L. 101-162, title I, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 992.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Funds appropriated under this heading, referred to in text, refers to funds appropriated under the headings “NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION” and “OPERATIONS, RESEARCH, AND FACILITIES” of title I, “Department of Commerce”, of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1990, Pub. L. 101-162.

#### § 883l. Contracts for surveying and mapping services

On and after February 20, 2003, the Secretary of Commerce may award contracts for hydrographic, geodetic, and photogrammetric surveying and mapping services in accordance with title IX of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949.<sup>1</sup>

(Pub. L. 108-7, div. B, title II, § 206, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 77.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, referred to in text, is act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, 63 Stat. 377. Title IX of the Act, which was classified generally to subchapter VI (§541 et seq.) of chapter 10 of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, was repealed and reenacted by Pub. L. 107-217, § 1, 6(b), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062, 1304, as chapter 11 (§1101 et seq.) of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works. For disposition of sections of former Title 40 to revised Title 40, see Table preceding section 101 of Title 40. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Pub. L. 107-77, title II, § 206, Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 778.

Pub. L. 106-553, § 1(a)(2) [title II, § 207], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2762, 2762A-79.

Pub. L. 106-113, div. B, § 1000(a)(1) [title II, § 208], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1535, 1501A-32.

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