

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 4, 44 Stat. 404; June 19, 1952, ch. 446, § 2, 66 Stat. 140; Pub. L. 86-723, § 49, Sept. 8, 1960, 74 Stat. 847; Pub. L. 88-94, §§ 1, 2(d), Aug. 12, 1963, 77 Stat. 121, 122; Pub. L. 88-414, Aug. 10, 1964, 78 Stat. 387; Pub. L. 89-22, May 21, 1965, 79 Stat. 112; Pub. L. 89-636, § 1, Oct. 10, 1966, 80 Stat. 881; Pub. L. 90-442, July 30, 1968, 82 Stat. 461; Pub. L. 91-586, Dec. 24, 1970, 84 Stat. 1578; Pub. L. 93-47, June 22, 1973, 87 Stat. 98; Pub. L. 93-263, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 94-141, title I, § 171, Nov. 29, 1975, 89 Stat. 760; Pub. L. 94-350, title I, § 109, July 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 824; Pub. L. 95-45, § 3, June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 221; Pub. L. 103-199, title V, § 503, Dec. 17, 1993, 107 Stat. 2327; Pub. L. 114-323, title I, § 113, Dec. 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 1911.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 295b of this title, referred to in subsec. (b), was omitted from the Code.

Date of enactment of this section, referred to in subsec. (d), probably means the date of enactment of Pub. L. 88-94, which was approved on Aug. 12, 1963.

AMENDMENTS

2016—Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 114-323 added subsec. (j).

1993—Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 103-199 struck out subsec. (j) which read as follows: "For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this chapter in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, there is authorized to be appropriated, in addition to amounts authorized prior to July 12, 1976, \$30,000,000, which amount is authorized to remain available until expended."

1977—Subsec. (h)(1). Pub. L. 95-45 substituted "\$225,000" for "\$6,725,000" in subpar. (A), "\$12,885,000" for "\$8,005,000" in subpar. (B), "\$3,400,000" for "\$3,745,000" in subpar. (C), "\$150,000" for "\$420,000" in subpar. (D), added subpar. (E), authorizing an appropriation of not to exceed \$17,200,000 for facilities for the United States Agency for International Development for fiscal year 1977, and struck out subpars. which had authorized appropriations for Africa, the American Republics, and East Asia for fiscal year 1977.

1976—Subsec. (h)(2). Pub. L. 94-350, § 109(1), increased appropriations authorization for fiscal years 1976 and 1977 to \$73,058,000 from \$71,600,000.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 94-350, § 109(2), added subsec. (j).

1975—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 94-141, § 171(a), substituted "\$850,000" for "\$2,190,000" in subpar. (A), "\$240,000" for "\$375,000" in subpar. (B), "\$682,000" for "\$4,780,000" in subpar. (C), "\$1,243,000" for "\$2,585,000" in subpar. (D), and "\$10,433,000" for "\$3,518,000" in subpar. (E).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 94-141, § 171(b)(1), added subsec. (h). Former subsec. (h) redesignated (i).

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 94-141, § 171(b), redesignated former subsec. (h) as (i), and, as so redesignated, in par. (2) inserted reference to subsec. (h) of this section.

1974—Subsec. (g)(1). Pub. L. 93-263, § 1(1)-(3), increased appropriations authorization for fiscal year 1974, in subpar. (A) to \$631,000 from \$590,000, in subpar. (C) to \$204,000 from \$160,000, and in subpar. (E) to \$2,287,000 from \$2,218,000.

Subsec. (g)(2). Pub. L. 92-263, § 1(4), increased appropriations authorization for fiscal years 1974 and 1975 to \$48,532,000 from \$45,800,000 and increased limitation for fiscal year 1974, to \$23,066,000 from \$21,700,000.

1973—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 93-47, § 1(1), added subsec. (g). Former subsec. (g) redesignated (h).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 93-47, § 1(1), (2), redesignated former subsec. (g) as (h), struck out from par. (2) provision for application of the paragraph beginning with the fiscal year 1966, inserted reference to subsec. (g), and added par. (3), respectively.

1970—Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 91-586 authorized appropriations of not more than \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 1972, and not more than \$15,900,000 for fiscal year 1973.

1968—Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 90-442 authorized appropriations not to exceed \$13,500,000 for fiscal year 1970, and not to exceed \$14,300,000 for fiscal year 1971.

1966—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 89-636, § 1(1), struck out last three sentences providing for availability of appropriated funds until expended, use of foreign currencies for expenditures, and use of funds authorized by any subpar. of par. (1) of subsec. (d), now incorporated in subsec. (g)(1) and (2) of this section, respectively.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 89-636, § 1(2), substituted "\$2,600,000" for "\$1,000,000".

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 89-636, § 1(3), added subsec. (f).

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 89-636, § 1(3), redesignated second and third sentences of subsec. (d) as par. (1) and last sentence of subsec. (d) as par. (2), inserting therein provision for use of funds authorized by any subpar. of par. (1) of subsec. (f).

1965—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 89-22 added subsec. (e).

1964—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 88-414 authorized appropriations of not more than \$12,200,000 for fiscal year 1966, \$12,400,000 for fiscal year 1967, and beginning with fiscal year 1966, permitted use of not more than 10 per centum of the funds authorized for any subparagraph under par. (1) of this subsection for the purposes of any other subparagraph of such par. (1).

1963—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 88-94, § 2(d), struck out "subject to the direction of the commission," after "Secretary of State".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 88-94, § 1, added subsec. (d).

1960—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 86-723 added subsec. (c).

Subsec. (b). Act June 19, 1952, added subsec. (b).

1952—Act June 19, 1952, designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), permitted the expenditure of the authorized and appropriated funds for continuing alterations, repairs, and furnishings, and added subsec. (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1960 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 86-723 effective on first day of first pay period which begins more than thirty days after Sept. 8, 1960, see section 56(a) of Pub. L. 86-723.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

United States Information Agency (other than Broadcasting Board of Governors and International Broadcasting Bureau) abolished and functions transferred to Secretary of State, see sections 6531 and 6532 of this title.

§§ 295a, 295b. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 295a, act May 25, 1938, ch. 275, 52 Stat. 441, authorized additional appropriations of an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

Section 295b, act June 25, 1946, ch. 643, 60 Stat. 663, authorized additional appropriations of an amount not to exceed \$125,000,000 of which \$110,000,000 was to be used exclusively for the payments representing the value of property or credits held abroad by the Government or owing to the Government which could have been used by the Department of State for buildings, equipment, etc.

DIPLOMATIC ESTABLISHMENTS IN PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Acts July 9, 1947, ch. 211, title I, § 101, 61 Stat. 288; June 3, 1948, ch. 400, title I, § 1, 62 Stat. 315; July 20, 1949, ch. 354, title I, § 101, 63 Stat. 456, provided in part that the construction of diplomatic and consular establishments in the Philippines should be without regard to the limitation proviso of section 295a.

§ 296. Duties of Secretary of State with respect to commission and properties

For the purposes of this chapter the Secretary of State is authorized to supervise, preserve, maintain, operate, and, when deemed necessary, to insure the Foreign Service properties in foreign countries and the other properties acquired

in accordance with the provisions of this chapter; to rent and insure objects of art; to collect information and formulate plans; and, without regard to civil service and classification laws, to obtain architectural and other expert technical services as may be necessary and pay therefor the scale of professional fees as established by local authority, law or custom, and to make expenditures without regard to section 295a of this title requiring purchase of articles manufactured in the United States.

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 5, 44 Stat. 404; June 19, 1952, ch. 446, § 3, 66 Stat. 140.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 295a of this title, referred to in text, was omitted from the Code.

AMENDMENTS

1952—Act June 19, 1952, amended section generally to authorize Secretary of State to supervise, preserve, maintain, operate, and insure Foreign Service property in foreign countries.

§ 296a. Maintenance management of overseas property

The Director of the Office of Foreign Buildings Operations shall—

(1) direct overseas posts to make annual building condition assessments of buildings and facilities used by the post;

(2) not later than 90 days after October 28, 1991, revise the Foreign Affairs Manual to stipulate that the Buildings and Maintenance Handbook shall be used by each post to identify their maintenance needs, standardize their maintenance operations, and conduct annual assessments as required by paragraph (1);

(3) direct the Office of Foreign Buildings Operations to provide proper training and assistance to posts to ensure that annual surveys are effectively completed; and

(4) direct overseas posts to ensure that all maintenance program fiscal transactions are properly encoded in the Department of State accounting system to enable compilation of actual expenditures on routine maintenance and specific maintenance funded by the Office of Foreign Buildings Operations.

(Pub. L. 102-138, title I, § 125, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 659.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1992 and 1993, and not as part of the Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926, which comprises this chapter.

AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF STATE

Except as otherwise provided, Secretary of State to have and exercise any authority vested by law in any official or office of Department of State and references to such officials or offices deemed to refer to Secretary of State or Department of State, as appropriate, see section 2651a of this title and section 161(d) of Pub. L. 103-236, set out as a note under section 2651a of this title.

§ 297. Acquisition of property by lease

The authority granted to acquire sites and buildings by purchase or otherwise shall include authority to acquire leaseholds.

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 6, 44 Stat. 405; June 19, 1952, ch. 446, § 4, 66 Stat. 140; Pub. L. 95-105, title I, § 106(b), Aug. 17, 1977, 91 Stat. 845.)

AMENDMENTS

1977—Pub. L. 95-105 struck out “of not less than ten years” after “acquire leaseholds”.

1952—Act June 19, 1952, provided for leaseholds of not less than 10 years.

§ 297a. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, which related to leaseholds of not less than ten years, was from the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1953, act July 10, 1952, ch. 651, title I, 66 Stat. 550, and was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

1951—Oct. 22, 1951, ch. 533, title I, 65 Stat. 577.

1950—Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, ch. III, title I, 64 Stat. 610.

1949—July 20, 1949, ch. 354, title I, 63 Stat. 449.

§ 298. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, act May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 7, 44 Stat. 405, repealed act Feb. 17, 1911, ch. 105, 36 Stat. 917, incorporated as section 133 of this title, with a provision that the repeal “shall not invalidate appropriations already made under the authority of such Act.”

§ 299. Short title

This chapter may be cited as the “Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926.”

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 8, 44 Stat. 405.)

§ 300. Dispositions of property; damage payments; acceptance of gifts or services

(a) Authority of Secretary of State

The Secretary of State is authorized—

(1) to sell, exchange, lease, or license any property or property interest acquired under this chapter, or under other authority, for use of diplomatic and consular establishments in foreign countries or in the United States pursuant to section 4304(b)(5) of this title,

(2) to receive payment in whatever form, or in kind, he determines to be in the interest of the United States for damage to or destruction of property acquired for use of diplomatic and consular establishments abroad, and the contents of such buildings, and

(3) to accept on behalf of the United States gifts of property or services of any kind made by will or otherwise for the purposes of this chapter.

(b) Disposition of proceeds; report to Congress

Proceeds derived from dispositions, payments, or gifts under subsection (a) shall, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, be applied toward acquisition, construction, or other purposes authorized by this chapter or held in the Foreign Service Buildings Fund, as in the judgment of the Secretary may best serve the Government's interest: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall report all such transactions annually to the Congress with the budget estimates of the Department of State.

(c) Proceeds from sale of furniture, furnishings, and equipment

Notwithstanding subsection (b), proceeds from the disposition of furniture, furnishings, and