in effect for positions at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5.

(b) AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT.—The Museum may, in accordance with applicable law, enter into contracts and other arrangements with public agencies and with private organizations and persons and may make such payments as may be necessary to carry out its functions under this chapter.

(c) ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER FEDERAL DEPART-MENTS AND AGENCIES.—The Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Library of Congress, and the heads of all executive branch departments, agencies, and establishments of the United States may assist the Museum in the performance of its functions under this chapter.

(d) ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND SUPPORT.— The Secretary of the Interior may provide administrative services and support to the Museum on a reimbursable basis.

(Added Pub. L. 106-292, §1, Oct. 12, 2000, 114 Stat. 1032.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2304, Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1278, related to gifts, bequests, and devises of property to the Holocaust Memorial Council, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 106–292.

§2305. Staff

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MUSEUM DIRECTOR AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.—There shall be a director of the Museum (hereafter in this chapter referred to as the "Director") who shall serve as chief executive officer of the Museum and exercise day-to-day authority for the Museum. The Director shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Council, subject to confirmation of the Council. The Director may be paid with nonappropriated funds, and, if paid with appropriated funds shall be paid the rate of basic pay for positions at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5. The Director shall report to the Council and its Executive Committee through the Chairperson. The Director shall serve at the pleasure of the Council.

(b) APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES.—The Director shall have authority to—

(1) appoint employees in the competitive service subject to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, relating to classification and general schedule pay rates;

(2) appoint and fix the compensation (at a rate not to exceed the rate of basic pay in effect for positions at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5) of up to three employees notwithstanding any other provision of law; and

(3) implement the decisions and strategic plan for the Museum, as approved by the Council, and perform such other functions as may be assigned from time-to-time by the Council, the Executive Committee of the Council, or the Chairperson of the Council, consistent with this legislation.

(Added Pub. L. 106–292, §1, Oct. 12, 2000, 114 Stat. 1032.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2305, Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1278, related to the establishment of the memorial museum, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 106–292.

§2306. Insurance for Museum

The Museum shall maintain insurance on the memorial museum to cover such risks, in such amount, and containing such terms and conditions as the Museum deems necessary.

(Added Pub. L. 106–292, §1, Oct. 12, 2000, 114 Stat. 1033.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2306, Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1279, related to audits of the Holocaust Memorial Council, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 106–292.

§2307. Gifts, bequests, and devises of property; tax treatment

The Museum may solicit, and the Museum may accept, hold, administer, invest, and use gifts, bequests, and devises of property, both real and personal, and all revenues received or generated by the Museum to aid or facilitate the operation and maintenance of the memorial museum. Property may be accepted pursuant to this section, and the property and the proceeds thereof used as nearly as possible in accordance with the terms of the gift, bequest, or devise donating such property. Funds donated to and accepted by the Museum pursuant to this section or otherwise received or generated by the Museum are not to be regarded as appropriated funds and are not subject to any requirements or restrictions applicable to appropriated funds. For the purposes of Federal income, estate, and gift taxes, property accepted under this section shall be considered as a gift, bequest, or devise to the United States.

(Added Pub. L. 106–292, §1, Oct. 12, 2000, 114 Stat. 1033.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2307, Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1279, provided for administrative provisions, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 106–292.

§2308. Annual report

The Director shall transmit to Congress an annual report on the Director's stewardship of the authority to operate and maintain the memorial museum. Such report shall include the following:

(1) An accounting of all financial transactions involving donated funds.

(2) A description of the extent to which the objectives of this chapter are being met.

(3) An examination of future major endeavors, initiatives, programs, or activities that the Museum proposes to undertake to better fulfill the objectives of this chapter.

(4) An examination of the Federal role in the funding of the Museum and its activities, and any changes that may be warranted.

(Added Pub. L. 106-292, §1, Oct. 12, 2000, 114 Stat. 1033.)