

ice, Domestic Volunteer Service Programs, Operating Expenses” shall be \$316,550,000, of which \$3,500,000 shall be for establishment in the Treasury of a VISTA Advance Payments Revolving Fund (in this section referred to as the “Fund”) for the Corporation for National and Community Service which, in addition to reimbursements collected from eligible public agencies and private nonprofit organizations pursuant to cost-share agreements, shall be available until expended to make advance payments in furtherance of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 [42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.]: *Provided*, That up to 10 percent of funds appropriated to carry out title I of such Act may be transferred to the Fund if the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service determines that the amounts in the Fund are not sufficient to cover expenses of the Fund: *Provided further*, That the Corporation for National and Community Service shall provide detailed information on the activities and financial status of the Fund during the preceding fiscal year in the annual congressional budget justifications to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. (Pub. L. 109-289, div. B, title II, § 20638, as added Pub. L. 110-5, § 2, Feb. 15, 2007, 121 Stat. 36.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 101, referred to in text, is section 101 of title I of div. B of Pub. L. 109-289, as added by Pub. L. 110-5, § 2, Feb. 15, 2007, 121 Stat. 8. Subsec. (b) of section 101 is classified as a note under this section. Subsecs. (a) and (c) of section 101 are not classified to the Code.

The Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 93-113, Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 394. Title I of the Act is classified generally to subchapter I (§ 4951 et seq.) of chapter 66 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4950 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007, and not as part of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 which comprises this chapter.

## DEFINITIONS

Pub. L. 109-289, div. B, title I, § 101(b), as added by Pub. L. 110-5, § 2, Feb. 15, 2007, 121 Stat. 9, provided that: “For purposes of this division [see Tables for classification], the term ‘level’ means an amount.”

**§ 12651j. Assignment to State Commissions****(a) Assignment**

In accordance with section 12651d(c)(1) of this title, the Chief Executive Officer may assign to State Commissions specific programmatic functions upon a determination that such an assignment will increase efficiency in the operation or oversight of a program under the national service laws. In carrying out this section, and before executing any assignment of authority, the Corporation shall seek input from and consult Corporation employees, State Commissions, State educational agencies, and other interested stakeholders.

**(b) Report**

Not later than 2 years after the effective date of the Serve America Act, the Corporation shall

submit a report to the authorizing committees describing the consultation process described in subsection (a), including the stakeholders consulted, the recommendation of stakeholders, and any actions taken by the Corporation under this section.

(Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 196B, as added Pub. L. 111-13, title I, § 1708, Apr. 21, 2009, 123 Stat. 1548.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the effective date of the Serve America Act, referred to in subsec. (b), as Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as an Effective Date of 2009 Amendment note under section 4950 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as an Effective Date of 2009 Amendment note under section 4950 of this title.

**§ 12651k. Study of involvement of veterans****(a) Study and report**

The Corporation shall conduct a study and submit a report to the authorizing committees, not later than 3 years after the effective date of the Serve America Act, on—

(1) the number of veterans serving in national service programs historically by year;

(2) strategies being undertaken to identify the specific areas of need of veterans, including any goals set by the Corporation for veterans participating in the service programs;

(3) the impact of the strategies described in paragraph (2) and the Veterans Corps on enabling greater participation by veterans in the national service programs carried out under the national service laws;

(4) how existing programs and activities carried out under the national service laws could be improved to serve veterans, veterans service organizations, families of active-duty military, including gaps in services to veterans;

(5) the extent to which existing programs and activities carried out under the national service laws are coordinated and recommendations to improve such coordination including the methods for ensuring the efficient financial organization of services directed towards veterans; and

(6) how to improve utilization of veterans as resources and volunteers.

**(b) Consultation**

In conducting the studies and preparing the reports required under this subsection, the Corporation shall consult with veterans’ service organizations, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, State veterans agencies, the Secretary of Defense, as appropriate, and other individuals and entities the Corporation considers appropriate.

(Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 196C, as added Pub. L. 111-13, title I, § 1709, Apr. 21, 2009, 123 Stat. 1549.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the effective date of the Serve America Act, referred to in subsec. (a), as Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as an Effective Date of 2009 Amendment note under section 4950 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as an Effective Date of 2009 Amendment note under section 4950 of this title.

Division H—Investment for Quality and  
Innovation

PRIOR PROVISIONS

This division is comprised of subtitle H, §§ 198–198C, 198H, 198K, 198O, 198P, and 198S, of title I of Pub. L. 101–610. A prior part H (§ 12653 et seq.), comprised of subtitle H, §§ 195–195O, of title I of Pub. L. 101–610, was renumbered subtitle E, §§ 151–166, of title I of Pub. L. 101–610 by Pub. L. 103–82, § 104(b), and transferred to division E (§ 12611 et seq.) of this subchapter.

PART I—ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES  
TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE

**§ 12653. Additional Corporation activities to support national service**

**(a) Methods of conducting activities**

The Corporation may carry out this section directly (except as provided in subsection (g)) or through grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements with other entities.

**(b) Innovation and quality improvement**

The Corporation may undertake activities to address emergent needs through summer programs and other activities, and to support service-learning programs and national service programs, including—

- (1) programs, including programs for rural youth, under division B or C;
- (2) employer-based retiree programs;
- (3) intergenerational programs;
- (4) programs involving individuals with disabilities as participants providing service; and
- (5) programs sponsored by Governors.

**(c) Conferences and materials**

The Corporation may organize and hold conferences, and prepare and publish materials, to disseminate information and promote the sharing of information among programs for the purpose of improving the quality of programs and projects.

**(d) Research**

The Corporation may support research on national service, including service-learning.

**(e) Youth leadership**

The Corporation may support activities to enhance the ability of youth and young adults to play leadership roles in national service.

**(f) National program identity**

The Corporation may support the development and dissemination of materials, including training materials, and arrange for uniforms and insignia, designed to promote unity and shared features among programs that receive assistance under the national service laws.

**(g) Global Youth Service Day**

**(1) Designation**

April 24, 2009, and April 23, 2010, are each designated as “Global Youth Service Days”. The President is authorized and directed to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate youth-led community improvement and service-learning activities.

**(2) Federal activities**

In order to observe Global Youth Service Day at the Federal level, the Corporation and

other Federal departments and agencies may organize and carry out appropriate youth-led community improvement and service-learning activities.

**(3) Activities**

The Corporation and other Federal departments and agencies may make grants to public or private nonprofit organizations with demonstrated ability to carry out appropriate activities, in order to support such activities on Global Youth Service Day.

**(h) Assistance for Head Start**

The Corporation may make grants to, and enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with, public or nonprofit private agencies and organizations that receive grants or contracts under the Foster Grandparent Program (part B of title II of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 [42 U.S.C. 5011 et seq.]), for projects of the type described in section 211(a) of such Act [42 U.S.C. 5011] operating under memoranda of agreement with the Corporation, for the purpose of increasing the number of low-income individuals who provide services under such program to children who participate in Head Start programs under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C 9831 et seq.).

**(i) Martin Luther King, Jr., Service Day**

**(1) Assistance**

The Corporation may make grants to eligible entities described in paragraph (2) to pay for the Federal share of the cost of planning and carrying out service opportunities in conjunction with the Federal legal holiday honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. Such service opportunities shall consist of activities reflecting the life and teachings of Martin Luther King, Jr., such as cooperation and understanding among racial and ethnic groups, nonviolent conflict resolution, equal economic and educational opportunities, and social justice.

**(2) Eligible entities**

Any entity otherwise eligible for assistance under the national services laws shall be eligible to receive a grant under this subsection.

**(3) Repealed. Pub. L. 105–354, § 2(b), Nov. 3, 1998, 112 Stat. 3244**

**(4) Federal share**

Grants provided under this subsection to an eligible entity to support the planning and carrying out of a service opportunity in conjunction with the Federal legal holiday honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., together with all other Federal funds used to plan or carry out the service opportunity, may not exceed 30 percent of the cost of planning and carrying out the service opportunity.

**(5) Calculation of entity contributions**

In determining the non-Federal share of the costs of planning and carrying out a service opportunity supported by a grant under this subsection, the Corporation shall consider in-kind contributions (including facilities, equipment, and services) made to plan or carry out the service opportunity.

**(j) Call to Service Campaign**

Not later than 180 days after April 21, 2009, the Corporation shall conduct a nationwide “Call To