

the paramount interest of the United States to do so.

**(4) Consideration of site of origin prohibited**

Any requirement respecting dumping of materials into ocean waters applied by a State shall be applied without regard to the site of origin of the material to be dumped.

**(e) Existing conservation programs not affected**

Nothing in this subchapter shall be deemed to affect in any manner or to any extent any provision of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act as amended (16 U.S.C. 661-666c).

**(f) Dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound from any Federal, etc., project**

In addition to other provisions of law and not withstanding the specific exclusion relating to dredged material in the first sentence in section 1412(a) of this title, the dumping of dredged material in Long Island Sound from any Federal project (or pursuant to Federal authorization) or from a dredging project by a non-Federal applicant exceeding 25,000 cubic yards shall comply with the requirements of this subchapter.

**(g) Savings clause**

Nothing in this Act shall restrict, affect or modify the rights of any person (1) to seek damages or enforcement of any standard or limitation under State law, including State common law, or (2) to seek damages under other Federal law, including maritime tort law, resulting from noncompliance with any requirement of this Act or any permit under this Act.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title I, §106, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1058; Pub. L. 96-572, §4, Dec. 22, 1980, 94 Stat. 3345; Pub. L. 99-499, title I, §127(d), Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1693; Pub. L. 101-596, title II, §203, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3006; Pub. L. 102-580, title V, §505, Oct. 31, 1992, 106 Stat. 4867.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The effective date of this subchapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), means the effective date of title I of Pub. L. 92-532, which is six months after Oct. 23, 1972. See section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as an Effective Date note under section 1411 of this title.

The Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, referred to in subsec. (b), probably means the Act popularly known as the Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Act of 1899, act Mar. 3, 1899, ch. 425, 30 Stat. 1151, which enacted sections 401, 403, 404, 406 to 409, 411 to 416, 418, 502, 549, 686, and 687 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act referred to in subsec. (e), is act Mar. 10, 1934, ch. 55, 48 Stat. 401, which is classified generally to sections 661 to 666c of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 661 of Title 16 and Tables.

This Act, referred to in subsec. (g), means Pub. L. 92-532, which is classified generally to this chapter, chapter 41 (§2801 et seq.) of this title, and chapters 32 (§1431 et seq.) and 32A (§1447 et seq.) of Title 16.

AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102-580 amended subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (d) read as follows: “After the effective date of this subchapter, no State shall adopt or enforce any rule or regulation relating to any activity regulated by this subchapter. Any State may, however, propose to the Administrator criteria relating to the dumping of materials into

ocean waters within its jurisdiction, or into other ocean waters to the extent that such dumping may affect waters within the jurisdiction of such State, and if the Administrator determines, after notice and opportunity for hearing, that the proposed criteria are not inconsistent with the purposes of this subchapter, may adopt those criteria and may issue regulations to implement such criteria. Such determination shall be made by the Administrator within one hundred and twenty days of receipt of the proposed criteria. For the purposes of this subsection, the term ‘State’ means any State, interstate or regional authority, Federal territory or Commonwealth or the District of Columbia.”

1990—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 101-596, which directed the substitution of “the requirements of this subchapter” for all after “shall comply with” in “subsection 116(g) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act (33 U.S.C. 1416(g))”, was executed by making the substitution for “the criteria established pursuant to the second sentence of section 1412(a) of this title relating to the effects of dumping. Subsection (d) of this section shall not apply to this subsection.” which followed “shall comply with” in section 106(f) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, which is classified to subsec. (f) of this section, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1986—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 99-499 added subsec. (g).

1980—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 96-572 added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 6 months after Oct. 23, 1972, see section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as a note under section 1411 of this title.

TERRITORIAL SEA OF UNITED STATES

For extension of territorial sea of United States, see Proc. No. 5928, set out as a note under section 1331 of Title 43, Public Lands.

**§ 1417. Enforcement**

**(a) Utilization of other departments, agencies, and instrumentalities**

The Administrator or the Secretary, as the case may be, may, whenever appropriate, utilize by agreement, the personnel, services and facilities of other Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities, or State agencies or instrumentalities, whether on a reimbursable or a nonreimbursable basis, in carrying out his responsibilities under this subchapter.

**(b) Delegation of review and evaluation authority**

The Administrator or the Secretary may delegate responsibility and authority for reviewing and evaluating permit applications, including the decision as to whether a permit will be issued, to an officer of his agency, or he may delegate, by agreement, such responsibility and authority to the heads of other Federal departments or agencies, whether on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis.

**(c) Surveillance and other enforcement activity**

The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall conduct surveillance and other appropriate enforcement activity to prevent unlawful transportation of material for dumping, or unlawful dumping. Such enforcement activity shall include, but not be limited to, enforcement of regulations issued by him pursuant to section 1418 of this title, relating to safe transportation, handling, carriage, storage, and stowage. The Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating

shall supply to the Administrator and to the Attorney General, as appropriate, such information of enforcement activities and such evidentiary material assembled as they may require in carrying out their duties relative to penalty assessments, criminal prosecutions, or other actions involving litigation pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title I, § 107, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1059.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 6 months after Oct. 23, 1972, see section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as a note under section 1411 of this title.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

#### § 1418. Regulations

In carrying out the responsibilities and authority conferred by this subchapter, the Administrator, the Secretary, and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating are authorized to issue such regulations as they may deem appropriate.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title I, § 108, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1059.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 6 months after Oct. 23, 1972, see section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as a note under section 1411 of this title.

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#### § 1419. International cooperation

The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Administrator, shall seek effective international action and cooperation to insure protection of the marine environment, and may, for this purpose, formulate, present, or support specific proposals in the United Nations and other component international organizations for the development of appropriate international rules and regulations in support of the policy of this Act.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title I, § 109, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1060.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, means Pub. L. 92-532, which is classified generally to this chapter, chapter 41 (§ 2801 et seq.) of this title, and chapters 32 (§ 1431 et seq.) and 32A (§ 1447 et seq.) of Title 16, Conservation.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 6 months after Oct. 23, 1972, see section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as a note under section 1411 of this title.

#### § 1420. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated, for purposes of carrying out this subchapter, not to exceed \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 1993 and not to exceed \$14,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997, to remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title I, § 111, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1060; Pub. L. 93-472, Oct. 26, 1974, 88 Stat. 1430; Pub. L. 94-62, § 1, July 25, 1975, 89 Stat. 303; Pub. L. 94-326, § 1, June 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 725; Pub. L. 95-153, § 1, Nov. 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 1255; Pub. L. 96-572, § 1, Dec. 22, 1980, 94 Stat. 3344; Pub. L. 97-16, June 23, 1981, 95 Stat. 100; Pub. L. 100-536, Oct. 28, 1988, 102 Stat. 2710; Pub. L. 102-580, title V, § 509(a), Oct. 31, 1992, 106 Stat. 4870.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-580 substituted “for fiscal year 1993 and not to exceed \$14,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997, to remain available until expended” for “for each of fiscal years 1989, 1990, and 1991”.

1988—Pub. L. 100-536 amended section generally, substituting provisions authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$12,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1989, 1990, and 1991, for provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 1973 to 1982.

1981—Pub. L. 97-16 increased to \$4,213,000 from \$2,000,000 the authorization of appropriation for fiscal year 1982.

1980—Pub. L. 96-572 inserted provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 1980, 1981, and 1982.

1977—Pub. L. 95-153 inserted provision authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$4,800,000 for fiscal year 1978.

1976—Pub. L. 94-326 inserted provision authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$4,800,000 for fiscal year 1977.

1975—Pub. L. 94-62 substituted “not to exceed \$5,500,000 for each of the fiscal years 1974 and 1975” for “and not to exceed \$5,500,000 for fiscal years 1974 and 1975”, and inserted provisions authorizing appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$5,300,000 for fiscal year 1976, and not to exceed \$1,325,000 for the transition period (July 1 through Sept. 30, 1976).

1974—Pub. L. 93-472 substituted “fiscal years 1974 and 1975,” for “fiscal year 1974,”.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 6 months after Oct. 23, 1972, see section 110(a) of Pub. L. 92-532, set out as a note under section 1411 of this title.

#### § 1421. Omitted

#### CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 92-532, title I, § 112, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1060; Pub. L. 94-326, § 2, June 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 725; Pub. L. 96-470, title II, § 209(f), Oct. 19, 1980, 94 Stat. 2245; Pub. L. 102-580, title V, § 510, Oct. 31, 1992, 106 Stat. 4870, which required the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to report annually to Congress on the administration of this subchapter, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, page 163 of House Document No. 103-7.

#### SUBCHAPTER II—RESEARCH

#### § 1441. Monitoring and research program

The Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department in which