

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Title 48 of the Revised Statutes, referred to in text, was in the original "this Title", meaning title 48 of the Revised Statutes, consisting of R.S. §§4131 to 4305. For complete classification of R.S. §§4131 to 4305 to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

R.S. §4305 derived from act Dec. 31, 1792, ch. 1, §29, 1 Stat. 298.

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SUBCHAPTER I—IN GENERAL

**§ 400. Continuing authority programs**

**(1) Definition of continuing authority program project**

In this section, the term “continuing authority program” means 1 of the following authorities:

- (A) Section 701s of this title.  
(B) Section 426i of this title.  
(C) Section 2330 of this title.  
(D) Section 2309a of this title.  
(E) Section 577 of this title.  
(F) Section 426g of this title.  
(G) Section 701r of this title.  
(H) Section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962 (Public Law 87-874; 76 Stat. 1178).  
(I) Section 2326(e) of this title.  
(J) Section 701b-8a of this title.  
(K) Section 610(a) of this title.

**(2) Prioritization**

Not later than 1 year after June 10, 2014, the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register and on a publicly available website, the criteria the Secretary uses for prioritizing annual funding for continuing authority program projects.

**(3) Annual report**

Not later than 1 year after June 10, 2014, and each year thereafter, the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register and on a publicly avail-

able website, a report on the status of each continuing authority program, which, at a minimum, shall include—

- (A) the name and a short description of each active continuing authority program project;  
(B) the cost estimate to complete each active project; and  
(C) the funding available in that fiscal year for each continuing authority program.

**(4) Congressional notification**

On publication in the Federal Register under paragraphs (2) and (3), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a copy of all information published under those paragraphs.

(Pub. L. 113-121, title I, §1030(a), June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1231.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962, referred to in par. (1)(H), is section 103 of Pub. L. 87-874, title I, Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1178. Section 103(a)(1)-(3) of Pub. L. 87-874 amended section 426e of this title. Section 103(a)(4) of Pub. L. 87-874 amended sections 426f and 426g of this title. Section 103(b) of Pub. L. 87-874 is set out as a note under section 426 of this title. Section 103(c) of Pub. L. 87-874 is not classified to the Code.

“SECRETARY” DEFINED

Secretary means the Secretary of the Army, see section 2 of Pub. L. 113-121, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

**§ 401. Construction of bridges, causeways, dams or dikes generally; exemptions**

It shall not be lawful to construct or commence the construction of any bridge, causeway, dam, or dike over or in any port, roadstead, haven, harbor, canal, navigable river, or other navigable water of the United States until the consent of Congress to the building of such structures shall have been obtained and until the plans for (1) the bridge or causeway shall have been submitted to and approved by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, or (2) the dam or dike shall have been submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of the Army. However, such structures may be built under authority of the legislature of a State across rivers and other waterways the navigable portions of which lie wholly within the limits of a single State, provided the location and plans thereof are submitted to and approved by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating or by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of the Army before construction is commenced. When plans for any bridge or other structure have been approved by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating or by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of the Army, it shall not be lawful to deviate from such plans either before or after completion of the structure unless modification of said plans has previously been submitted to and received the approval of the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating or the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of the Army. The approval required by this section