

riculum vitae, licenses, lists of publications, and other documents considered relevant by the Working Group.

**(B) Considerations**

In establishing the centralized profile database under subparagraph (A), the Working Group shall consider incorporating existing investigator databases.

**(C) Grant proposals**

To the extent practicable, all grant proposals shall utilize the centralized investigator profile database established under subparagraph (A).

**(D) Requirements**

Each investigator shall—

- (i) be responsible for ensuring the investigator's profile is current and accurate; and
- (ii) be assigned a unique identifier linked to the database and accessible to all Federal funding agencies.

**(4) Centralized assurances repository**

The Working Group shall—

- (A) establish a central repository for all of the assurances required for Federal research grants; and
- (B) provide guidance to institutions of higher education and Federal science agencies on the use of the centralized assurances repository.

**(5) Comprehensive review**

**(A) In general**

The Working Group shall—

- (i) conduct a comprehensive review of the mandated progress reports for federally funded research; and
- (ii) develop a strategy to simplify investigator progress reports.

**(B) Considerations**

In developing the strategy, the Working Group shall consider limiting progress reports to performance outcomes.

**(f) Consultation**

In carrying out its responsibilities under subsection (e)(1), the Working Group shall consult with academic researchers outside the Federal Government, including—

- (1) federally funded researchers;
- (2) non-federally funded researchers;
- (3) institutions of higher education and their representative associations;
- (4) scientific and engineering disciplinary societies and associations;
- (5) nonprofit research institutions;
- (6) industry, including small businesses;
- (7) federally funded research and development centers; and
- (8) members of the public with a stake in ensuring effectiveness, efficiency, and accountability in the performance of scientific research.

**(g) Reports**

Not later than 1 year after January 6, 2017, and annually thereafter for 3 years, the Working Group shall submit to the appropriate commit-

tees of Congress a report on its responsibilities under this section, including a discussion of the considerations described in paragraphs (2)(B), (3)(B), and (5)(B) of subsection (e) and recommendations made under subsection (e)(1).

(Pub. L. 114-329, title II, §201, Jan. 6, 2017, 130 Stat. 2995.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as the Research and Development Efficiency Act and also as part of the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act, and not as part of the National Science and Technology Policy, Organization, and Priorities Act of 1976 which comprises this chapter.

DEFINITIONS

For definitions of terms used in this section, see section 2 of Pub. L. 114-329, set out as a note under section 1862s of this title.

SUBCHAPTER II—OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

**§ 6611. Establishment of Office**

There is established in the Executive Office of the President an Office of Science and Technology Policy (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the “Office”).

(Pub. L. 94-282, title II, §202, May 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 463.)

SHORT TITLE

For short title of this subchapter as the “Presidential Science and Technology Advisory Organization Act of 1976”, see section 201 of Pub. L. 94-282, set out as a Short Title note under section 6601 of this title.

HIGH-RESOLUTION INFORMATION SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

Pub. L. 102-245, title V, §501, Feb. 14, 1992, 106 Stat. 22, authorized the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy to establish within that office a High-Resolution Information Systems Advisory Board to monitor and, as appropriate, foster the development and competitiveness of United States-based high-resolution information systems industries, further provided that “high-resolution information systems” means equipment and techniques required to create, store, recover, and play back high-resolution images and accompanying sound, further provided for functions of the Board, including provision of guidance and advice relating to establishment of such industries as well as transfer of Federal technologies to the private sector, further provided for membership and procedures of the Board, including submission of annual report of its activities to the President and Congress, and further provided for limitation on functions of Board and appropriations through fiscal year 1993.

**§ 6612. Director; Associate Directors**

**(a) In general**

There shall be at the head of the Office a Director who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and who shall be compensated at the rate provided for level II of the Executive Schedule in section 5313 of title 5.

**(b) Associate Directors**

The President is authorized to appoint not more than four Associate Directors, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall