

a report on the activities conducted pursuant to this chapter during the preceding fiscal year, including—

- (a) a summary of the achievements of the Program during the previous fiscal year;
- (b) an analysis of the progress made toward achieving the goals and objectives of the Program;
- (c) a copy of the 5-year plan and any changes made in such plan;
- (d) a summary of the multiagency budget request for the Program of section 2904(g) of this title; and
- (e) any recommendations for additional legislation which may be required to assist in achieving the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95-367, §7, Sept. 17, 1978, 92 Stat. 604; Pub. L. 97-375, title II, §202(b), Dec. 21, 1982, 96 Stat. 1822.)

AMENDMENTS

1982—Pub. L. 97-375 substituted “March 31” for “January 30”.

**§ 2907. Contract and grant authority; records and audits**

(a) Functions vested in any Federal officer or agency by this chapter or under the Program may be exercised through the facilities and personnel of the agency involved or, to the extent provided or approved in advance in appropriation Acts, by other persons or entities under contracts or grant arrangements entered into by such officer or agency.

(b)(1) Each person or entity to which Federal funds are made available under a contract or grant arrangement as authorized by this chapter shall keep such records as the Director of the Office shall prescribe, including records which fully disclose the amount and disposition by such person or entity of such funds, the total cost of the activities for which such funds were so made available, the amount of that portion of such cost supplied from other sources, and such other records as will facilitate an effective audit.

(2) The Director of the Office and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall, until the expiration of 3 years after the completion of the activities (referred to in paragraph (1)) of any person or entity pursuant to any contract or grant arrangement referred to in subsection (a), have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of such person or entity which, in the judgment of the Director or the Comptroller General, may be related or pertinent to such contract or grant arrangement.

(Pub. L. 95-367, §8, Sept. 17, 1978, 92 Stat. 604.)

**§ 2908. Authorization of appropriations**

In addition to any other funds otherwise authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of conducting climate-related programs, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this chapter, not to exceed \$50,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979, not to exceed \$65,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September

30, 1980, and not to exceed \$25,500,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, of which amount not less than \$2,653,000 shall be made directly available to the National Climate Program Office in the form of a budget item separate from the activities of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(Pub. L. 95-367, §9, Sept. 17, 1978, 92 Stat. 605; Pub. L. 96-547, §1, Dec. 18, 1980, 94 Stat. 3217.)

AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-547 revised former subsec. (a) into entire section with additional provisions relating to fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1981, and struck out subsec. (b) setting forth authorization of appropriations for grants.

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**§ 2921. Definitions**

As used in this chapter, the term—

(1) “Committee” means the Committee on Earth and Environmental Sciences established under section 2932 of this title;

(2) “Council” means the Federal Coordinating Council on Science, Engineering, and Technology;

(3) “global change” means changes in the global environment (including alterations in climate, land productivity, oceans or other water resources, atmospheric chemistry, and ecological systems) that may alter the capacity of the Earth to sustain life;

(4) “global change research” means study, monitoring, assessment, prediction, and information management activities to describe and understand—

(A) the interactive physical, chemical, and biological processes that regulate the total Earth system;

(B) the unique environment that the Earth provides for life;

(C) changes that are occurring in the Earth system; and

(D) the manner in which such system, environment, and changes are influenced by human actions;

(5) “Plan” means the National Global Change Research Plan developed under section 2934 of this title, or any revision thereof; and