

by this part to the same extent that USIA would have been liable if such judgment or remedy had been rendered on the day before the abolition of USIA.

**(e) Administrative actions relating to promulgation of regulations**

Any administrative action relating to the preparation or promulgation of a regulation by the Broadcasting Board of Governors relating to a function exercised by the Board before the effective date of this subchapter may be continued by the Board with the same effect as if this part had not been enacted.

**(f) References**

Reference in any other Federal law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation of authority, or any document of or relating to the Broadcasting Board of Governors of the United States Information Agency with regard to functions exercised before the effective date of this subchapter, shall be deemed to refer to the Board.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XIII, §1327, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-783.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the effective date of this subchapter, referred to in subsecs. (a), (b)(1), (d)(1), (e), and (f), meaning the effective date of title XIII of subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105-277, see section 1301 of Pub. L. 105-277, set out as a note under section 6531 of this title.

This part, referred to in subsecs. (b) to (e), was in the original “this chapter”, meaning chapter 3 (§§1321-1328) of title XIII of subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105-277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-777. For complete classification of chapter 3 to the Code, see Tables.

CHANGE OF NAME

Broadcasting Board of Governors renamed United States Agency for Global Media pursuant to section 6204(a)(22) of this title. The renaming was effectuated by notice to congressional appropriations committees dated May 24, 2018, and became effective Aug. 22, 2018.

**§ 6544. Report on privatization of RFE/RL, Incorporated**

Not later than March 1 of each year, the Broadcasting Board of Governors shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the progress of the Board and of RFE/RL, Incorporated, on any steps taken to further the policy declared in section 6211(a) of this title. The report under this subsection shall include the following:

- (1) Efforts by RFE/RL, Incorporated, to terminate individual language services.
- (2) A detailed description of steps taken with regard to section 6211(a) of this title.
- (3) An analysis of prospects for privatization over the coming year.
- (4) An assessment of the extent to which United States Government funding may be appropriate in the year 2000 and subsequent years for surrogate broadcasting to the countries to which RFE/RL, Incorporated, broadcast during the year. This assessment shall include an analysis of the environment for independent media in those countries, noting the extent of government control of the media, the ability of independent journalists and news organizations to operate, relevant domestic legislation, level of government harass-

ment and efforts to censor, and other indications of whether the people of such countries enjoy freedom of expression.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XIII, §1328, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-784.)

CHANGE OF NAME

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PART C—CONFORMING AMENDMENTS

**§ 6551. References**

**(a) In general**

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any reference in any statute, reorganization plan, Executive order, regulation, agreement, determination, or other official document or proceeding to—

(1) the Director of the United States Information Agency or the Director of the International Communication Agency shall be deemed to refer to the Secretary of State; and

(2) the United States Information Agency, USIA, or the International Communication Agency shall be deemed to refer to the Department of State.

**(b) Continuing references to USIA or Director**

Subsection (a) shall not apply to section 4069a(f), 4069b(g), or 4069c(f) of this title.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XIII, §1331, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-785.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original “this subdivision”, meaning subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105-277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-765, known as the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998. For complete classification of this subdivision to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables.

Section 4069a(f), 4069b(g), or 4069c(f) of this title, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original “section 146(a), (b), or (c) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991” meaning section 146(a), (b), (c) of Pub. L. 101-246, title I, Feb. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 37, which amended sections 830, 831, and 832, respectively, of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, by adding subsecs. (f), (g), and (h), respectively, to those sections which are classified to sections 4069a(f), 4069b(g), and 4069c(f) of this title.

**§ 6552. Application of certain laws**

**(a) Application to functions of Department of State**

Section 1461 of this title, section 1461-1 of this title, and section 1461-1a of this title shall not apply to public affairs and other information dissemination functions of the Secretary of State as carried out prior to any transfer of functions pursuant to this chapter.

**(b) Application to functions transferred to Department of State**

Section 1461 of this title, section 1461-1 of this title, and section 1461-1a of this title shall apply only to public diplomacy programs of the Director of the United States Information Agency as