

period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided for by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS TO GS-16, 17, OR 18 PAY RATES

References in laws to the rates of pay for GS-16, 17, or 18, or to maximum rates of pay under the General Schedule, to be considered references to rates payable under specified sections of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, see section 529 [title I, § 101(c)(1)] of Pub. L. 101-509, set out in a note under section 5376 of Title 5.

### § 857-17. Interagency cooperation and assistance

#### (a) Liaison

The head of each department or agency of the Federal Government concerned with marine and atmospheric matters shall designate a senior policy official to participate as observer in the work of the Committee and offer necessary assistance.

#### (b) Agency assistance

The Committee is authorized to request from the head of any department, agency, or independent instrumentality of the Federal Government any information and assistance it deems necessary to carry out the functions assigned under sections 857-13 to 857-18 of this title. The head of each such department, agency, or instrumentality is authorized to cooperate with the Committee, and, to the extent permitted by law, to furnish such information and assistance to the Committee upon request made by the Chairman, without reimbursement for such services and assistance.

#### (c) Administrative assistance

The Secretary of Commerce shall make available to the Committee such staff, information, personnel, and administrative services and assistance as may reasonably be required to carry out the provisions of sections 857-13 to 857-18 of this title.

(Pub. L. 95-63, § 6, July 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 266.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those contained in this section, which required the designation of senior policy officials as observers, directed the Secretary of Commerce to provide administrative assistance, and authorized requests for assistance from Federal agencies by the Federal Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere as originally established on Aug. 16, 1971, were contained in sections 857-8 and 857-11 of this title prior to repeal by section 7(a) of Pub. L. 95-63.

#### TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory committees established after Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration

is otherwise provided for by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

### § 857-18. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated for purposes of carrying out sections 857-13 to 857-18 of this title not to exceed \$520,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, \$572,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979, \$565,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, \$600,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, and \$555,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1982. Such sums as may be appropriated under this section shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 95-63, § 8, July 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 267; Pub. L. 95-304, § 1(2), June 29, 1978, 92 Stat. 347; Pub. L. 96-26, June 21, 1979, 93 Stat. 74; Pub. L. 97-87, § 1(3), Dec. 1, 1981, 95 Stat. 1134.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those contained in this section, which authorized appropriations, beginning with an authorization of \$200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, for the operation of the National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere as originally established on Aug. 16, 1971, were contained in section 857-12 of this title prior to repeal by section 7(a) of Pub. L. 95-63.

#### AMENDMENTS

1981—Pub. L. 97-87 inserted provisions authorizing appropriations of not to exceed \$555,000 for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1982, and provided that such sums as might be appropriated under authority of this section remain available until expended.

1979—Pub. L. 96-26 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of \$565,000 for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1980, and \$600,000 for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1981, for provisions directing that sums appropriated under this section remain available until expended.

1978—Pub. L. 95-304 inserted provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1979.

### § 857-19. Biennial report

Beginning in September, 2001, the President shall transmit to the Congress biennially a report that includes a detailed listing of all existing Federal programs related to ocean and coastal activities, including a description of each program, the current funding for the program, linkages to other Federal programs, and a projection of the funding level for the program for each of the next 5 fiscal years beginning after the report is submitted.

(Pub. L. 106-256, § 5, Aug. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 648.)

#### NATIONAL OCEAN POLICY

Pub. L. 106-256, Aug. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 644, as amended by Pub. L. 107-206, title I, § 206, Aug. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 833; Pub. L. 107-372, title III, § 306, Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 3096, provided that:

#### “SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

“This Act may be cited as the ‘Oceans Act of 2000’.

#### “SEC. 2. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES.

“The purpose of this Act is to establish a commission to make recommendations for coordinated and comprehensive national ocean policy that will promote—

“(1) the protection of life and property against natural and manmade hazards;