

from” at beginning of subsection, and struck out “thereafter” after “time to time”.

Subsecs. (c) to (e). Pub. L. 97-259, §105(b), (c), redesignated subsecs. (d) and (e) as (c) and (d), respectively, and in par. (1) of subsec. (c), as so redesignated, substituted “two” for “three” after “employee board consisting of”.

1981—Subsecs. (f), (g). Pub. L. 97-35 added subsecs. (f) and (g).

1980—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 96-470 struck out “; and the Commission shall promptly report to the Congress each such case which has been pending before it more than such three- or six-month period, respectively, stating the reasons therefor” after “hearing cases”.

1961—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 87-192, §1, repealed subsec. (c) which provided for establishment of review staff, its composition, responsibility and duties.

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, substituted provisions which authorized the delegation of functions by published rule or by order to a panel of commissioners, and individual commissioner, an employee board, or an individual employee, and of review functions to an employee board of three or more employees, enumerated the functions to be delegated, with stated exceptions, and prescribed majority vote for order delegating review functions for former provision which authorized the assignment of reference of work, business or functions by order to an individual commissioner or commissioners or to a board of one or more employees and eliminated provision concerning force, effect and enforcement of orders, now incorporated in par. (3) of this subsection.

Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, added par. (2). The subject matter was formerly covered by the introductory words of former par. (1) of this subsection which read “Except as provided in section 409 of this title.” Sentences 1 and 2 of former par. (2) redesignated pars. (4) and (6), respectively.

Subsec. (d)(3). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, redesignated second sentence of former par. (1) as par. (3) and substituted therein “report, or action made or taken pursuant to any such delegation, unless reviewed as provided in paragraph (4), shall have” and “other actions” for “report made, or other action taken, pursuant to any such order of assignment or reference shall, unless reviewed pursuant to paragraph (2), have” and “action”, respectively. Former par. (3) redesignated (9).

Subsec. (d)(4). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, redesignated first sentence of former par. (2) as par. (4), included “action” in enumeration, and inserted provision for review on initiative of the Commission.

Subsec. (d)(5). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, added par. (5).

Subsec. (d)(6). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, redesignated second sentence of former par. (2) as par. (6), inserting “for review” after “applications” and substituting “the Commission”, “the order”, “it may order” and “in accordance with” for “it”, “such order”, “may order” and “under”, respectively.

Subsec. (d)(7), (8). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, added pars. (7) and (8).

Subsec. (d)(9). Pub. L. 87-192, §2, redesignated former par. (3) as (9) and made it applicable to each panel of the Commission, each employee board instead of each board, and each individual employee.

1952—Act July 16, 1952, amended section generally to provide for the organization of the staff, integrated bureaus, and for a review staff.

### § 155a. Authority of Chief Information Officer

#### (a) In general

The Commission shall ensure that the Chief Information Officer of the Commission has a significant role in—

(1) the decision-making process for annual and multi-year planning, programming, budgeting, and execution decisions, related reporting requirements, and reports related to information technology;

(2) the management, governance, and oversight processes related to information technology; and

(3) the hiring of personnel with information technology responsibilities.

#### (b) CIO approval

The Chief Information Officer of the Commission, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer of the Commission and budget officials, shall specify and approve the allocation of amounts appropriated to the Commission for information technology, consistent with the provisions of appropriations Acts, budget guidelines, and recommendations from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(Pub. L. 115-141, div. P, title V, §502, Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1091.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Repack Airwaves Yielding Better Access for Users of Modern Services Act of 2018, also known as the RAY BAUM'S Act of 2018, and also as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018, and not as part of the Communications Act of 1934 which comprises this chapter.

#### DEFINITION

Pub. L. 115-141, div. P, §2, Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1081, provided that: “In this division [see Short Title of 2018 Amendment note set out under section 609 of this title], the term ‘Commission’ means the Federal Communications Commission.”

### § 156. Authorization of appropriations

#### (a) Authorization

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Commission to carry out the functions of the Commission \$333,118,000 for fiscal year 2019 and \$339,610,000 for fiscal year 2020.

#### (b) Offsetting collections

The sum appropriated in any fiscal year to carry out the activities described in subsection (a), to the extent and in the amounts provided for in Appropriations Acts, shall be derived from fees authorized by section 159 of this title.

(June 19, 1934, ch. 652, title I, §6, as added Pub. L. 97-35, title XII, §1251(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 738; amended Pub. L. 98-214, §2(a), Dec. 8, 1983, 97 Stat. 1467; Pub. L. 99-272, title V, §5002(a)(1), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 117; Pub. L. 100-594, §2(a), Nov. 3, 1988, 102 Stat. 3021; Pub. L. 101-396, §2(a), Sept. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 848; Pub. L. 103-66, title VI, §6003(b), Aug. 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 401; Pub. L. 115-141, div. P, title I, §101(a), Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1081.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-141 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section related to authorization of appropriations for fiscal years 1990 and 1991.

1993—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 103-66 added subsec. (d).

1990—Pub. L. 101-396 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “There are authorized to be appropriated for the administration of this chapter by the Commission \$107,250,000 for fiscal year 1988 and \$109,250,000 for fiscal year 1989, together with such sums as may be necessary for increases resulting from adjustments in salary, pay, retirement, other employee benefits required by law, and other nondiscretionary costs, for each of the fiscal years 1988 and 1989.”