

sections 577c, 577d, and 577e to 577h of this title; *Provided*, That the total appropriations under the authority of said sections shall not exceed \$9,000,000 for the purchase and condemnation of lands, water, or interests therein, and that funds made available through the provisions of chapter 2003 of title 54, may also be used for such acquisitions: *Provided further*, That such appropriations may be used for the payment of court judgments in condemnation actions brought under authority of sections 577c, 577d, and 577e to 577h of this title without regard to the date such actions were initially instituted.

#### (b) Reports on acquisitions

Not later than March 1 of each year 1977 through 1980, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to the Congress a report concerning the acquisition of lands or interests in lands under sections 577c, 577d, and 577e to 577h of this title. The final report of the Secretary shall specify whether additional authorizations or appropriations are necessary to carry out the purposes of said sections.

(June 22, 1948, ch. 593, §6, 62 Stat. 570; June 22, 1956, ch. 425, §3, 70 Stat. 328; Pub. L. 87-351, Oct. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 772; Pub. L. 94-384, Aug. 13, 1976, 90 Stat. 1123; Pub. L. 113-287, §5(d)(19), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3266.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 113-287 substituted “chapter 2003 of title 54” for “the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (78 Stat. 897), as amended”.

1976—Pub. L. 94-384 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), substituted “implement” for “carry out the provisions of”, “\$9,000,000” for “\$4,500,000”, and “lands, water, or interests therein” for “land”, struck out “however” after “*Provided*”, inserted provision relating to the availability of funds under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act and provision relating to the availability of appropriations for payment of court judgments in condemnation actions regardless of the date of institution of such action, and added subsec. (b).

1961—Pub. L. 87-351 increased appropriation for purchase and condemnation of land from \$2,500,000 to \$4,500,000.

1956—Act June 22, 1956, increased appropriation for purchase and condemnation of land from \$500,000 to \$2,500,000.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS

Pub. L. 87-351 provided in part that: “Funds appropriated to carry out the purposes of the Act [sections 577c, 577d and 577e to 577h of this title] shall remain available until expended.”

#### §§ 578 to 579. Omitted

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section 578, act June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 546, which authorized rental of Forest Service equipment to other Federal agencies, was from the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1941, and was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provisions appeared in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1940, approved June 30, 1939, ch. 253, title I, 53 Stat. 955.

Section 578a, acts July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 422; July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 679; July 12, 1943, ch. 215,

57 Stat. 411; June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 443, related to rental of foreign service equipment to non-Federal agencies, and is now covered by section 580 of this title.

Section 579, act June 29, 1954, ch. 409, title I, 68 Stat. 307, which authorized the purchase of improvements in lieu of construction, was from the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1955, and was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. Similar provisions were contained in following prior appropriation acts:

July 28, 1953, ch. 251, title I, 67 Stat. 212.

July 5, 1952, ch. 574, title I, 66 Stat. 342.

Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 374, title I, 65 Stat. 232.

Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, Ch. VI, title I, 64 Stat. 666.

June 29, 1949, ch. 280, title I, 63 Stat. 337.

June 19, 1948, ch. 543, 62 Stat. 521.

July 30, 1947, ch. 356, title I, 61 Stat. 523.

June 22, 1946, ch. 445, 60 Stat. 283.

May 5, 1945, ch. 109, 59 Stat. 150.

June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 444.

July 12, 1943, ch. 215, 57 Stat. 412.

July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 680.

July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 422.

June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 546.

#### § 579a. Operation of aerial facilities and services

The Forest Service by contract or otherwise may provide for procurement and operation of aerial facilities and services for the protection and management of the national forests and other lands administered by it, including the furnishing, at the airbase, of facilities, equipment, materials and the preparation, mixing and loading into aircraft, with authority to renew any contract for such purpose annually, not more than twice, without additional advertising.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title II, §205, 58 Stat. 736; Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, §4, 64 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 91-435, Oct. 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 888.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as a part of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944.

##### AMENDMENTS

1970—Pub. L. 91-435 authorized the Forest Service to extend aerial facilities and services for the protection and management of other lands administered by the Service and to procure, at the airbase, facilities, equipment, materials and the preparation, mixing and loading into aircraft.

1950—Act Apr. 24, 1950, amended section to provide for aerial facilities and services for the protection and management of our national forests.

#### § 579b. Working capital fund; establishment; availability; transfer; capitalization; advance payments credited

There is established a working capital fund which shall be available without fiscal year limitation for expenses necessary, including the purchase or construction of buildings and improvements within the limitations thereon set forth in the appropriations for the Forest Service, for furnishing supply and equipment services in support of programs of the Forest Service. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to transfer to the fund, without reimbursement, and to capitalize in the fund at fair and reasonable values, such receivables, inventories, equipment, and other assets as he may determine, and