

(Mar. 29, 1944, ch. 146, § 7, 58 Stat. 134.)

**§ 583g. Rules and regulations; delegation of powers and duties**

The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior may severally prescribe such rules and regulations as may be appropriate to carry out the purposes of this subchapter. Each Secretary may delegate any of his powers and duties under this subchapter to other officers or employees of his Department.

(Mar. 29, 1944, ch. 146, § 8, 58 Stat. 134.)

**§ 583h. Prior acts as affecting or affected by subchapter**

Nothing contained in this subchapter shall be construed to abrogate or curtail any authority conferred upon the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior by any Act relating to management of federally owned or administered forest lands, and nothing contained in any such Acts shall be construed to limit or restrict any authority conferred upon the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior by this subchapter.

(Mar. 29, 1944, ch. 146, § 9, 58 Stat. 134.)

**§ 583i. Authorization of appropriations**

Funds available for the protection or management of Federally owned or administered forest land within the unit concerned may also be expended in carrying out the purposes of this subchapter, and there are authorized to be appropriated such additional sums for the purposes of this subchapter as the Congress may from time to time deem necessary, but such additional sums shall not exceed \$150,000 for the Department of Agriculture and \$50,000 for the Department of the Interior, for any fiscal year.

(Mar. 29, 1944, ch. 146, § 10, 58 Stat. 135.)

SUBCHAPTER V—FOREST FOUNDATION

**§ 583j. Establishment and purposes of Foundation**

**(a) Establishment**

There is established the National Forest Foundation (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation") as a charitable and nonprofit corporation domiciled in the District of Columbia.

**(b) Purposes**

The purposes of the Foundation are to—

(1) encourage, accept, and administer private gifts of money, and of real and personal property for the benefit of, or in connection with, the activities and services of the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture;

(2) undertake and conduct activities that further the purposes for which units of the National Forest System are established and are administered and that are consistent with approved forest plans; and

(3) undertake, conduct and encourage educational, technical and other assistance, and other activities that support the multiple use, research, cooperative forestry and other programs administered by the Forest Service.

**(c) Limitation and conflicts of interests**

(1) The Foundation shall not participate or intervene in a political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

(2) No director, officer, or employee of the Foundation shall participate, directly or indirectly, in the consideration or determination of any question before the Foundation affecting—

(A) the financial interests of the director, officer, or employee; or

(B) the interests of any corporation partnership, entity, or organization in which such director, officer, or employee—

(i) is an officer, director, or trustee; or

(ii) has any direct or indirect financial interest.

(Pub. L. 101-593, title IV, § 402, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 2970.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

SHORT TITLE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-106, § 1, Oct. 12, 1993, 107 Stat. 1031, provided that: "This Act [amending sections 583j-3 and 583j-8 of this title and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 583j-3 of this title] may be cited as the 'National Forest Foundation Act Amendment Act of 1993'."

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 101-593, title IV, § 401, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 2969, provided that: "This title [enacting this subchapter] may be cited as the 'National Forest Foundation Act'."

**§ 583j-1. Board of Directors of Foundation**

**(a) Establishment and membership**

The Foundation shall have a governing Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"), which shall consist of not more than 30 Directors, each of whom shall be a United States citizen. At the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary may increase the number of Directors to not more than twenty. At all times, a majority of members of the Board shall be educated or have actual experience in natural or cultural resource management, law, or research. To the extent practicable, members of the Board shall represent diverse points of view relating to natural and cultural resource issues. The Chief of the Forest Service shall be an ex officio nonvoting member of the Board.

**(b) Appointment and terms**

Within one year from November 16, 1990, the Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall appoint the Directors of the Board. Directors shall be appointed for terms of six years; except that the Secretary, in making the initial appointments to the Board, shall appoint one-third each of the Directors to terms of two, four, and six years respectively. A vacancy on the Board shall be filled within sixty days of such vacancy in the manner in which the original appointment was made. No individual may serve more than twelve consecutive years as a Director.

**(c) Chairman**

The Chairman shall be elected by the Board from its members. A chairman shall serve for a