

Commerce of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress. Committee on Commerce of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Energy and Commerce of House of Representatives, and jurisdiction over matters relating to securities and exchanges and insurance generally transferred to Committee on Financial Services of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Seventh Congress, Jan. 3, 2001.

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in subsec. (c)(2) of this section relating to submitting an analysis of compiled data to Congress each year, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 30 of House Document No. 103-7.

§ 3104. Rules and regulations

(a) Authorization

The authorities and responsibilities under this chapter may be exercised through such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(b) Recordkeeping and reports

Rules or regulations issued pursuant to this chapter may require any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States—

(1) to maintain a complete record of any information (including journals or other books of original entry, minute books, stock transfer records, lists of shareholders, or financial statements) which is essential to carrying out the surveys and studies to be conducted under this chapter; and

(2) to furnish, under oath, any report containing information which is determined to be necessary to carry out the surveys and studies conducted under this chapter.

When a report under paragraph (2) is furnished under oath, such oath shall be by the officer of such person who is directly responsible for the maintenance and compilation of such information, and shall certify that the report was prepared in accordance with this chapter, is complete, and is to such officer's best knowledge and belief, substantially accurate, except in a case in which, in accordance with rules and regulations issued under this chapter, estimates have been provided because data are not available from customary accounting records or precise data could not be obtained without undue burden, and the data subject to such estimates has been noted in the report.

(c) Access to information; limitation

Access to information obtained under subsection (b)(2) of this section shall be available only to officials or employees designated to perform functions under this chapter, including consultants and persons working on contracts awarded pursuant to this chapter. Subject to the limitation of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the President may authorize the exchange between agencies or officials designated by him of information furnished by any person under this chapter as he deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any Federal agency to disclose to any official exercising authority

under this chapter any information or report collected under legal authority other than this chapter where disclosure is prohibited by law. Information collected pursuant to subsection (b)(2) may be used only—

(1) for analytical or statistical purposes within the United States Government; or

(2) for the purpose of a proceeding under subsection (e) of this section or under section 3105(b) or (c) of this title.

No official or employee designated to perform functions under this chapter, including consultants and persons working on contracts awarded pursuant to this chapter, may publish or make available to any other person any information collected pursuant to subsection (b)(2) in a manner that the person who furnished the information can be specifically identified except as provided in this section. No person can compel the submission or disclosure of any report or constituent part thereof collected pursuant to this chapter, or any copy of such report or constituent part thereof, without the prior written consent of the person who maintained or furnished such report under subsection (b) and without prior written consent of the customer, where the person who maintained or furnished such report included information identifiable as being derived from the records of such customer.

(d) Access to Bureau of Economic Analysis information

The Bureau of the Census of the Department of Commerce is authorized, for purposes of augmenting and improving the quality of data collected by the Bureau of the Census, to have, upon written request, access to data relating to business enterprises that is collected directly by the Bureau of Economic Analysis for purposes of this chapter. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor is authorized, for purposes of augmenting and improving the data collected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, to have access, upon written request, to selected identification information on business enterprises and data on international services transactions, that is collected directly by the Bureau of Economic Analysis for purposes of this chapter. Officers and employees of the Bureau of the Census and the Bureau of Labor Statistics shall, for purposes of subsection (c), be deemed to be officials or employees designated to perform functions under this chapter.

(e) Penalty

Any person who willfully violates subsection (c) or (d) shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$10,000, in addition to any other penalty imposed by law.

(Pub. L. 94-472, § 5, Oct. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 2062; Pub. L. 98-573, title III, § 306(b)(5), Oct. 30, 1984, 98 Stat. 3010; Pub. L. 101-533, §§ 6(d), (e), 7(a), Nov. 7, 1990, 104 Stat. 2349.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-533, § 7(a), inserted at end “When a report under paragraph (2) is furnished under oath, such oath shall be by the officer of such person who is directly responsible for the maintenance

and compilation of such information, and shall certify that the report was prepared in accordance with this chapter, is complete, and is to such officer's best knowledge and belief, substantially accurate, except in a case in which, in accordance with rules and regulations issued under this chapter, estimates have been provided because data are not available from customary accounting records or precise data could not be obtained without undue burden, and the data subject to such estimates has been noted in the report."

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 101-533, §6(e)(1), substituted "subsection (e)" for "subsection (d)".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101-533, §6(d)(2), added subsec. (d). Former subsec. (d) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 101-533, §6(d)(1), (e)(2), redesignated subsec. (d) as (e) and inserted "or (d)" after "subsection (c)".

1984—Subsec. (b)(1), (2). Pub. L. 98-573 struck out "international investment" before "surveys".

§ 3105. Enforcement

(a) Civil penalty for failure to furnish information

Whoever fails to furnish any information required under this chapter, whether required to be furnished in the form of a report or otherwise, or to comply with any rule, regulation, order, or instruction promulgated under this chapter, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$2,500, and not more than \$25,000, in a proceeding brought under subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Civil action for failure to furnish information

Whenever it appears that any person has failed to furnish any information required under this chapter, whether required to be furnished in the form of a report or otherwise, or has failed to comply with any rule, regulation, order, or instruction promulgated under this chapter, a civil action may be brought in an appropriate district court of the United States, or the appropriate United States court of any territory or other place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and such court may enter a restraining order or a permanent or temporary injunction commanding such person to furnish such information or to comply with such rule, regulation, order, or instruction, as the case may be, or impose the civil penalty provided in subsection (a) of this section, or both.

(c) Criminal penalty for failure to submit information

Whoever willfully fails to submit any information required under this chapter, whether required to be furnished in the form of a report or otherwise, or willfully violates any rule, regulation, order, or instruction promulgated under this chapter, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 and, if an individual, may be imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, and any officer, director, employee, or agent of any corporation who knowingly participates in such violation, upon conviction, may be punished by a like fine, imprisonment, or both.

(Pub. L. 94-472, §6, Oct. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 2063; Pub. L. 101-533, §7(b), Nov. 7, 1990, 104 Stat. 2349.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-533 substituted "shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$2,500, and not

more than \$25,000," for "may be subject to a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000".

§ 3106. Use of experts and administrative support services

(a) Compensation and travel expenses

Any official designated by the President to carry out this chapter may procure the temporary or intermittent services of experts and consultants in accordance with the provisions of section 3109 of title 5. Persons so employed shall receive compensation at a rate not in excess of the maximum amount payable under such section. While away from his home or regular place of business and engaged in the performance of services in conjunction with the provisions of this chapter, any such person may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703(b)¹ of title 5 for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

(b) Use of available Federal agency services, equipment, personnel, and facilities

Any official designated by the President to carry out this chapter may use, on a reimbursable basis when appropriate (as determined by the President), the available services, equipment, personnel, and facilities of any agency or instrumentality of the United States Government.

(Pub. L. 94-472, §7, Oct. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 2064.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5703 of title 5, referred to in subsec. (a), was amended generally by Pub. L. 94-22, §4, May 19, 1975, 89 Stat. 85, and, as so amended, does not contain a subsec. (b).

§ 3107. Consultations; creation of independent public advisory committees

Officials performing functions pursuant to this chapter shall secure balanced, diverse, and responsible views from qualified persons representing business, organized labor, and the academic community and may, where appropriate, create such independent public advisory committees as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 94-472, §8, Oct. 11, 1976, 90 Stat. 2064; Pub. L. 95-381, §3, Sept. 22, 1978, 92 Stat. 726; Pub. L. 97-33, §4, Aug. 7, 1981, 95 Stat. 171.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1981—Pub. L. 97-33 struck out designation "(a)" before "Officials performing functions" and struck out subsec. (b) which provided that the President review the results of studies and surveys conducted pursuant to this chapter and report annually to the Committee on International Relations [Foreign Affairs] of the House of Representatives and the appropriate committees of the Senate on any trends or developments which might have had national policy implications and which in the President's opinion warranted the review of the respective committees.

¹ See References in Text note below.