

**§ 3608. Repealed. Pub. L. 116–271, title I, § 107(a), Dec. 31, 2020, 134 Stat. 3341**

Section, Pub. L. 111–11, title XII, § 12309, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1436, related to independent cost estimates to be sent to Congress within 1 year after Mar. 30, 2009.

**§ 3609. Intent of Congress**

It is the intent of Congress that funding provided to agencies of the Council to implement this chapter shall supplement, and not replace, existing sources of funding for other programs. It is the further intent of Congress that agencies of the Council shall not enter into contracts or agreements for the development or procurement of new Federal assets for the System that are estimated to be in excess of \$250,000,000 in life-cycle costs without first providing adequate notice to Congress and opportunity for review and comment.

(Pub. L. 111–11, title XII, § 12310, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1436.)

**§ 3610. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Commerce to support the integrated oceans observations under this chapter—

- (1) \$48,000,000 for fiscal year 2021;
- (2) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2022;
- (3) \$52,000,000 for fiscal year 2023;
- (4) \$54,000,000 for fiscal year 2024; and
- (5) \$56,000,000 for fiscal year 2025.

(Pub. L. 111–11, title XII, § 12311, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1436; Pub. L. 116–271, title I, § 108, Dec. 31, 2020, 134 Stat. 3341.)

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

2020—Pub. L. 116–271 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section related to authorization of appropriations for fiscal years 2009 to 2013.

**§ 3611. Assessing and modeling named storms over coastal States**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) COASTAL Formula**

The term “COASTAL Formula” has the meaning given the term in section 4057(a) of title 42.

**(2) Coastal State**

The term “coastal State” has the meaning given the term “coastal state” in section 1453 of title 16, except that the term shall not apply with respect to a State or territory that has an operational wind and flood loss allocation system.

**(3) Coastal waters**

The term “coastal waters” has the meaning given the term in such section.

**(4) Covered data**

The term “covered data” means, with respect to a named storm identified by the Administrator under subsection (b)(2)(A), empirical data that are—

- (A) collected before, during, or after such storm; and

(B) necessary to determine magnitude and timing of wind speeds, rainfall, the barometric pressure, river flows, the extent, height, and timing of storm surge, topographic and bathymetric data, and other measures required to accurately model and assess damage from such storm.

**(5) Indeterminate loss**

The term “indeterminate loss” has the meaning given the term in section 4057(a) of title 42.

**(6) Named storm**

The term “named storm” means any organized weather system with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of at least 39 miles per hour which the National Hurricane Center of the United States National Weather Service names as a tropical storm or a hurricane.

**(7) Named Storm Event Model**

The term “Named Storm Event Model” means the official meteorological and oceanographic computerized model, developed by the Administrator under subsection (b)(1)(A), which utilizes covered data to replicate the magnitude, timing, and spatial variations of winds, rainfall, and storm surges associated with named storms for which post-storm assessments are conducted.

**(8) Participant**

The term “participant” means a Federal, State, or private entity that chooses to cooperate with the Administrator in carrying out the provisions of this section by collecting, contributing, and maintaining covered data.

**(9) Post-storm assessment**

The term “post-storm assessment” means a scientific assessment produced and certified by the Administrator to determine the magnitude, timing, and spatial variations of winds, rainfall, and storm surges associated with a specific named storm to be used in the COASTAL Formula.

**(10) State**

The term “State” means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any other territory or possession of the United States.

**(b) Named Storm Event Model and post-storm assessment**

**(1) Establishment of Named Storm Event Model**

**(A) In general**

Not later than December 31, 2020, the Administrator shall develop the Named Storm Event Model.

**(B) Accuracy**

The Named Storm Event Model shall be designed to generate post-storm assessments, as provided in paragraph (2), that have a degree of accuracy of not less than 90 percent for an indeterminate loss for which a post-storm assessment is utilized.

**(C) Public review**

The Administrator shall seek input and suggestions from the public before the