

Public Law 101-609
101st Congress

An Act

To amend the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 to improve and clarify its provisions.

Nov. 16, 1990

[S. 677]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. Except as specifically provided in this Act, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed as an amendment to, or repeal of a provision, the reference shall be deemed to be made to the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984.

SEC. 2. Section 103(b)(1) (15 U.S.C. 4102(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) in the text above clause (A), by striking out “five” and inserting in lieu thereof “seven”;

(2) in clause (A), by striking out “three” and inserting in lieu thereof “four”; and

(3) in clause (C), by striking out “one member” and inserting in lieu thereof “two members”.

SEC. 3. Section 103(d)(1) (15 U.S.C. 4102(d)(1)) is amended by striking out “GS-16” and inserting in lieu thereof “GS-18”.

SEC. 4. (a) Section 104(a) (15 U.S.C. 4102(a)) is amended—

15 USC 4103.

(1) in paragraph (4), by striking out “suggest” and inserting in lieu thereof “recommend”;

(2) in paragraph (6), by striking out “suggest” and inserting in lieu thereof “recommend”;

(3) in paragraph (7), by striking out “and” at the end thereof;

(4) in paragraph (8), by striking out the period and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon; and

(5) by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraphs:

“(9) recommend to the Interagency Committee the means for developing international scientific cooperation in the Arctic; and

Science and technology.

“(10) not later than January 31, 1991, and every 2 years thereafter, publish a statement of goals and objectives with respect to Arctic research to guide the Interagency Committee established under section 107 in the performance of its duties.”.

(b) Section 104(b) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) Not later than January 31 of each year, the Commission shall submit to the President and to the Congress a report describing the activities and accomplishments of the Commission during the immediately preceding fiscal year.”.

Reports.

SEC. 5. Section 106 (15 U.S.C. 4105) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking out “and” at the end thereof;

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting in lieu thereof “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“(5) appoint, and accept without compensation the services of, scientists and engineering specialists to be advisors to the Commission. Each advisor may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by

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section 5703 of title 5, United States Code. Except for the purposes of chapter 81 of title 5 (relating to compensation for work injuries) and chapter 171 of title 28 (relating to tort claims) of the United States Code, an advisor appointed under this paragraph shall not be considered an employee of the United States for any purpose.”

Sec. 6. Subsection (b)(2) of section 108 (15 U.S.C. 4107(b)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

“(2) a statement detailing with particularity the recommendations of the Commission with respect to Federal interagency activities in Arctic research and the disposition and responses to those recommendations.”

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 677:

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