

**The National Historic Preservation Act**  
**As amended through December 19, 2014**  
**and Codified in Title 54 of the United States Code**

[The National Historic Preservation Act (“Act”) became law on October 15, 1966, Public Law 89-665, and was codified in title 16 of the United States Code. Various amendments followed through the years. On December 19, 2014, Public Law 13-287 moved the Act’s provisions from title 16 of the United States Code to title 54, with minimal and non-substantive changes to the text of the Act and a re-ordering of some of its provisions. This document shows the provisions of the Act as they now appear in title 54 of the United States Code.

The Act’s name (the “National Historic Preservation Act”) is found in the notes of the very first section of title 54. 54 U.S.C. § 100101 note. While Public Law 13-287 did not repeal the Act’s findings, for editorial reasons those findings were not included in the text of title 54. The findings are still current law. However, rather than citing to the U.S. Code, when referring to the findings one may cite to: “Section 1 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. No. 89-665, as amended by Pub. L. No. 96-515.” For ease of use, this document reproduces the text of those findings before proceeding to the title 54 text.

Finally, the attachment at the end of this document attempts to assist those preservation stakeholders who for many years have referred to the Act’s various provisions according to the section numbers used in the 1966 public law and subsequent amendments (“old sections”). The attachment cross-references each of the old sections to the corresponding outdated title 16 legal cite and current title 54 legal cite.]

**Section 1 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. No. 89-665, as amended by Pub. L. No. 96-515:**

... (b) The Congress finds and declares that—

- (1) the spirit and direction of the Nation are founded upon and reflected in its historic heritage;
- (2) the historical and cultural foundations of the Nation should be preserved as a living part of our community life and development in order to give a sense of orientation to the American people;
- (3) historic properties significant to the Nation's heritage are being lost or substantially altered, often inadvertently, with increasing frequency;
- (4) the preservation of this irreplaceable heritage is in the public interest so that its vital legacy of cultural, educational, aesthetic, inspirational, economic, and energy benefits will be maintained and enriched for future generations of Americans;
- (5) in the face of ever-increasing extensions of urban centers, highways, and residential, commercial, and industrial developments, the present governmental and nongovernmental historic preservation programs and activities are inadequate to insure future generations a genuine opportunity to appreciate and enjoy the rich heritage of our Nation;
- (6) the increased knowledge of our historic resources, the establishment of better means of identifying and administering them, and the encouragement of their preservation will improve the planning and execution of Federal and federally assisted projects and will assist economic growth and development; and
- (7) although the major burdens of historic preservation have been borne and major efforts initiated by private agencies and individuals, and both should continue to play a vital role, it is nevertheless necessary and appropriate for the Federal Government to accelerate its historic preservation programs and activities, to give maximum encouragement to agencies and individuals undertaking preservation by private means, and to assist State and local governments

and the National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States to expand and accelerate their historic preservation programs and activities.

**Title 54 of the United States Code**  
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**54 U.S.C. § 300101. Policy**

It is the policy of the Federal Government, in cooperation with other nations and in partnership with States, local governments, Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, and private organizations and individuals, to—

- (1) use measures, including financial and technical assistance, to foster conditions under which our modern society and our historic property can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other requirements of present and future generations;
- (2) provide leadership in the preservation of the historic property of the United States and of the international community of nations and in the administration of the national preservation program;
- (3) administer federally owned, administered, or controlled historic property in a spirit of stewardship for the inspiration and benefit of present and future generations;
- (4) contribute to the preservation of nonfederally owned historic property and give maximum encouragement to organizations and individuals undertaking preservation by private means;
- (5) encourage the public and private preservation and utilization of all usable elements of the Nation’s historic built environment; and
- (6) assist State and local governments, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the National Trust to expand and accelerate their historic preservation programs and activities.

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**§ 300301. Agency**

In this division, the term “agency” has the meaning given the term in section 551 of title 5.

**§ 300302. Certified local government**

In this division, the term “certified local government” means a local government whose local historic preservation program is certified pursuant to chapter 3025 of this title.

**§ 300303. Council**

In this division, the term “Council” means the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation established by section 304101 of this title.

**§ 300304. Cultural park**

In this division, the term “cultural park” means a definable area that—

- (A) is distinguished by historic property, prehistoric property, and land related to that property; and
- (B) constitutes an interpretive, educational, and recreational resource for the public at large.

**§ 300305. Historic conservation district**

In this division, the term “historic conservation district” means an area that contains—

- (1) historic property;
- (2) buildings having similar or related architectural characteristics;
- (3) cultural cohesiveness; or
- (4) any combination of features described in paragraphs (1) to (3).

**§ 300306. Historic Preservation Fund**

In this division, the term “Historic Preservation Fund” means the Historic Preservation Fund established under section 303101 of this title.

**§ 300307. Historic preservation review commission**

In this division, the term “historic preservation review commission” means a board, council, commission, or other similar collegial body—

(1) that is established by State or local legislation as provided in section 302503(a)(2) of this title; and

(2) the members of which are appointed by the chief elected official of a jurisdiction (unless State or local law provides for appointment by another official) from among—

(A) professionals in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, planning, prehistoric and historic archeology, folklore, cultural anthropology, curation, conservation, and landscape architecture, or related disciplines, to the extent that those professionals are available in the community; and

(B) other individuals who have demonstrated special interest, experience, or knowledge in history, architecture, or related disciplines and will provide for an adequate and qualified commission.

**§ 300308. Historic property**

In this division, the term “historic property” means any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included on, or eligible for inclusion on, the National Register, including artifacts, records, and material remains relating to the district, site, building, structure, or object.

**§ 300309. Indian tribe**

In this division, the term “Indian tribe” means an Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including a Native village, Regional Corporation or Village Corporation (as those terms are defined in section 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1602)), that is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

**§ 300310. Local government**

In this division, the term “local government” means a city, county, township, municipality, or borough, or any other general purpose political subdivision of any State.

**§ 300311. National Register**

In this division, the term “National Register” means the National Register of Historic Places maintained under chapter 3021 of this title.

**§ 300312. National Trust**

In this division, the term “National Trust” means the National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States established under section 312102 of this title.

**§ 300313. Native Hawaiian**

In this division, the term “Native Hawaiian” means any individual who is a descendant of the aboriginal people who, prior to 1778, occupied and exercised sovereignty in the area that now constitutes Hawaii.

**§ 300314. Native Hawaiian organization**

(a) IN GENERAL.—In this division, the term “Native Hawaiian organization” means any organization that—

- (1) serves and represents the interests of Native Hawaiians;
- (2) has as a primary and stated purpose the provision of services to Native Hawaiians; and
- (3) has demonstrated expertise in aspects of historic preservation that are culturally significant to Native Hawaiians.

(b) INCLUSIONS.—In this division, the term “Native Hawaiian organization” includes the Office of Hawaiian Affairs of Hawaii and Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai’i Nei, an organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Hawaii.

**§ 300315. Preservation or historic preservation**

In this division, the term “preservation” or “historic preservation” includes—

- (1) identification, evaluation, recordation, documentation, curation, acquisition, protection, management, rehabilitation, restoration, stabilization, maintenance, research, interpretation, and conservation;
- (2) education and training regarding the foregoing activities; or
- (3) any combination of the foregoing activities.

**§ 300316. Secretary**

In this division, the term “Secretary” means the Secretary acting through the Director.

**§ 300317. State**

In this division, the term “State” means—

- (1) a State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands; and
- (2) the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

**§ 300318. State historic preservation review board**

In this division, the term “State historic preservation review board” means a board, council, commission, or other similar collegial body established as provided in section 302301(2) of this title—

- (1) the members of which are appointed by the State Historic Preservation Officer (unless otherwise provided for by State law);
- (2) a majority of the members of which are professionals qualified in history, prehistoric and historic archeology, architectural history, architecture, folklore, cultural anthropology, curation, conservation, landscape architecture, and related disciplines; and

(3) that has the authority to—

- (A) review National Register nominations and appeals from nominations;
- (B) review appropriate documentation submitted in conjunction with the Historic Preservation Fund;
- (C) provide general advice and guidance to the State Historic Preservation Officer; and
- (D) perform such other duties as may be appropriate.

**§ 300319. Tribal land**

In this division, the term “tribal land” means—

- (1) all land within the exterior boundaries of any Indian reservation; and
- (2) all dependent Indian communities.

**§ 300320. Undertaking**

In this division, the term “undertaking” means a project, activity, or program funded in whole or in part under the direct or indirect jurisdiction of a Federal agency, including—

- (1) those carried out by or on behalf of the Federal agency;
- (2) those carried out with Federal financial assistance;
- (3) those requiring a Federal permit, license, or approval; and
- (4) those subject to State or local regulation administered pursuant to a delegation or approval by a Federal agency.

**§ 300321. World Heritage Convention**

In this division, the term “World Heritage Convention” means the Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, done at Paris November 23, 1972 (27 UST 37).

**Subdivision 2—Historic Preservation Program**

**Chapter 3021—National Register of Historic Places**

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**§ 302101. Maintenance by Secretary**

The Secretary may expand and maintain a National Register of Historic Places composed of districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture.

**§ 302102. Inclusion of properties on National Register**

(a) IN GENERAL.—A property that meets the criteria for National Historic Landmarks established pursuant to section 302103 of this title shall be designated as a National Historic Landmark and included on the National Register, subject to the requirements of section 302107 of this title.

(b) HISTORIC PROPERTY ON NATIONAL REGISTER ON DECEMBER 12, 1980.—All historic property included on the National Register on December 12, 1980, shall be deemed to be included on the National Register as of their initial listing for purposes of this division.

(c) HISTORIC PROPERTY LISTED IN FEDERAL REGISTER OF FEBRUARY 6, 1979, OR PRIOR TO DECEMBER 12, 1980, AS NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARKS.—All historic property listed in the Federal Register of February 6, 1979, or prior to December 12, 1980, as National Historic Landmarks are declared by Congress to be National Historic Landmarks of national historic significance as of their initial listing in the Federal Register for purposes of this division and chapter 3201 of this title, except that in the case of a National Historic Landmark district for which no boundaries had been established as of December 12, 1980, boundaries shall first be published in the Federal Register.

**§ 302103. Criteria and regulations relating to National Register, National Historic Landmarks, and World Heritage List**

The Secretary, in consultation with national historical and archeological associations, shall—

(1) establish criteria for properties to be included on the National Register and criteria for National Historic Landmarks; and

(2) promulgate regulations for—

(A) nominating properties for inclusion on, and removal from, the National Register and the recommendation of properties by certified local governments;

(B) designating properties as National Historic Landmarks and removing that designation;

(C) considering appeals from recommendations, nominations, removals, and designations (or any failure or refusal by a nominating authority to nominate or designate);

(D) nominating historic property for inclusion in the World Heritage List in accordance with the World Heritage Convention;

(E) making determinations of eligibility of properties for inclusion on the National Register; and

(F) notifying the owner of a property, any appropriate local governments, and the general public, when the property is being considered for inclusion on the National

Register, for designation as a National Historic Landmark, or for nomination to the World Heritage List.

**§ 302104. Nominations for inclusion on National Register**

(a) NOMINATION BY STATE.—Subject to the requirements of section 302107 of this title, any State that is carrying out a program approved under chapter 3023 shall nominate to the Secretary property that meets the criteria promulgated under section 302103 of this title for inclusion on the National Register. Subject to section 302107 of this title, any property nominated under this subsection or under section 306102 of this title shall be included on the National Register on the date that is 45 days after receipt by the Secretary of the nomination and the necessary documentation, unless the Secretary disapproves the nomination within the 45-day period or unless an appeal is filed under subsection (c).

(b) NOMINATION BY PERSON OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—Subject to the requirements of section 302107 of this title, the Secretary may accept a nomination directly from any person or local government for inclusion of a property on the National Register only if the property is located in a State where there is no program approved under chapter 3023 of this title. The Secretary may include on the National Register any property for which such a nomination is made if the Secretary determines that the property is eligible in accordance with the regulations promulgated under section 302103 of this title. The determination shall be made within 90 days from the date of the nomination unless the nomination is appealed under subsection (c).

(c) APPEAL.—Any person or local government may appeal to the Secretary—

(1) a nomination of any property for inclusion on the National Register; and

(2) the failure of a nominating authority to nominate a property in accordance with this chapter.

**§ 302105. Owner participation in nomination process**

(a) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall promulgate regulations requiring that before any property may be included on the National Register or designated as a National Historic Landmark, the owner of the property, or a majority of the owners of the individual properties within a district in the case of a historic district, shall be given the opportunity (including a reasonable period of time) to concur in, or object to, the nomination of the property for inclusion or designation. The regulations shall include provisions to carry out this section in the case of multiple ownership of a single property.

(b) WHEN PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED ON NATIONAL REGISTER OR DESIGNATED AS NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK.—If the owner of any privately owned property, or a majority of the owners of privately owned properties within the district in the case of a historic district, object to inclusion or designation, the property shall not be included on the National Register or designated as a National Historic Landmark until the objection is withdrawn.

(c) REVIEW BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall review the nomination of the property when an objection has been made and shall determine whether or not the property is eligible for inclusion or designation. If the Secretary determines that the property is eligible for inclusion or designation, the Secretary shall inform the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer, the appropriate chief elected local official, and the owner or owners of the property of the Secretary's determination.



### **§ 302106. Retention of name**

Notwithstanding section 43(c) of the Act of July 5, 1946 (known as the Trademark Act of 1946) (15 U.S.C. 1125(c)), buildings and structures on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register (either individually or as part of a historic district), or designated as an individual landmark or as a contributing building in a historic district by a unit of State or local government, may retain the name historically associated with the building or structure.

### **§ 302107. Regulations**

The Secretary shall promulgate regulations—

- (1) ensuring that significant prehistoric and historic artifacts, and associated records, subject to subchapter I of chapter 3061, chapter 3125, or the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470aa et seq.) are deposited in an institution with adequate long-term curatorial capabilities;
- (2) establishing a uniform process and standards for documenting historic property by public agencies and private parties for purposes of incorporation into, or complementing, the national historical architectural and engineering records in the Library of Congress; and
- (3) certifying local governments, in accordance with sections 302502 and 302503 of this title, and for the transfer of funds pursuant to section 302902(c)(4) of this title.

### **§ 302108. Review of threats to historic property**

At least once every 4 years, the Secretary, in consultation with the Council and with State Historic Preservation Officers, shall review significant threats to historic property to—

- (1) determine the kinds of historic property that may be threatened;
- (2) ascertain the causes of the threats; and
- (3) develop and submit to the President and Congress recommendations for appropriate action.

## **Chapter 3023—State Historic Preservation Programs**

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### **§ 302301. Regulations**

The Secretary, in consultation with the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers and the National Trust, shall promulgate regulations for State Historic Preservation Programs. The regulations shall provide that a State program submitted to the Secretary under this chapter shall be approved by the Secretary if the Secretary determines that the program provides for—

- (1) the designation and appointment by the chief elected official of the State of a State Historic Preservation Officer to administer the program in accordance with section 302303 of this title and for the employment or appointment by the officer of such professionally qualified staff as may be necessary for those purposes;

(2) an adequate and qualified State historic preservation review board designated by the State Historic Preservation Officer unless otherwise provided for by State law; and

(3) adequate public participation in the State Historic Preservation Program, including the process of recommending properties for nomination to the National Register.

### **§ 302302. Program evaluation**

(a) WHEN EVALUATION SHOULD OCCUR.—Periodically, but not less than every 4 years after the approval of any State program under section 302301 of this title, the Secretary, in consultation with the Council on the appropriate provisions of this division, and in cooperation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, shall evaluate the program to determine whether it is consistent with this division.

(b) DISAPPROVAL OF PROGRAM.—If, at any time, the Secretary determines that a major aspect of a State program is not consistent with this division, the Secretary shall disapprove the program and suspend in whole or in part any contracts or cooperative agreements with the State and the State Historic Preservation Officer under this division, until the program is consistent with this division, unless the Secretary determines that the program will be made consistent with this division within a reasonable period of time.

(c) OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary, in consultation with State Historic Preservation Officers, shall establish oversight methods to ensure State program consistency and quality without imposing undue review burdens on State Historic Preservation Officers.

(d) STATE FISCAL AUDIT AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.—

(1) SUBSTITUTION FOR COMPARABLE FEDERAL SYSTEMS.—At the discretion of the Secretary, a State system of fiscal audit and management may be substituted for comparable Federal systems so long as the State system—

(A) establishes and maintains substantially similar accountability standards; and

(B) provides for independent professional peer review.

(2) FISCAL AUDITS AND REVIEW BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary—

(A) may conduct periodic fiscal audits of State programs approved under this subdivision as needed; and

(B) shall ensure that the programs meet applicable accountability standards.

### **§ 302303. Responsibilities of State Historic Preservation Officer**

(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be the responsibility of the State Historic Preservation Officer to administer the State Historic Preservation Program.

(b) PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITIES.—It shall be the responsibility of the State Historic Preservation Officer to—

(1) in cooperation with Federal and State agencies, local governments, and private organizations and individuals, direct and conduct a comprehensive statewide survey of historic property and maintain inventories of the property;

- (2) identify and nominate eligible property to the National Register and otherwise administer applications for listing historic property on the National Register;
- (3) prepare and implement a comprehensive statewide historic preservation plan;
- (4) administer the State program of Federal assistance for historic preservation within the State;
- (5) advise and assist, as appropriate, Federal and State agencies and local governments in carrying out their historic preservation responsibilities;
- (6) cooperate with the Secretary, the Council, other Federal and State agencies, local governments, and private organizations and individuals to ensure that historic property is taken into consideration at all levels of planning and development;
- (7) provide public information, education, and training and technical assistance in historic preservation;
- (8) cooperate with local governments in the development of local historic preservation programs and assist local governments in becoming certified pursuant to chapter 3025;
- (9) consult with appropriate Federal agencies in accordance with this division on—
  - (A) Federal undertakings that may affect historic property; and
  - (B) the content and sufficiency of any plans developed to protect, manage, or reduce or mitigate harm to that property; and
- (10) advise and assist in the evaluation of proposals for rehabilitation projects that may qualify for Federal assistance.

**§ 302304. Contracts and cooperative agreements**

(a) STATE.—A State may carry out all or any part of its responsibilities under this chapter by contract or cooperative agreement with a qualified nonprofit organization or educational institution.

(b) SECRETARY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—

(A) AUTHORITY TO ASSIST SECRETARY.—Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), the Secretary may enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with a State Historic Preservation Officer for any State authorizing the Officer to assist the Secretary in carrying out one or more of the following responsibilities within that State:

- (i) Identification and preservation of historic property.
- (ii) Determination of the eligibility of property for listing on the National Register.
- (iii) Preparation of nominations for inclusion on the National Register.
- (iv) Maintenance of historical and archeological data bases.

(v) Evaluation of eligibility for Federal preservation incentives.

(B) AUTHORITY TO MAINTAIN NATIONAL REGISTER.— Nothing in subparagraph (A) shall be construed to provide that any State Historic Preservation Officer or any other person other than the Secretary shall have the authority to maintain the National Register for properties in any State.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary may enter into a contract or cooperative agreement under paragraph (1) only if—

(A) the State Historic Preservation Officer has requested the additional responsibility;

(B) the Secretary has approved the State historic preservation program pursuant to sections 302301 and 302302 of this title;

(C) the State Historic Preservation Officer agrees to carry out the additional responsibility in a timely and efficient manner acceptable to the Secretary and the Secretary determines that the Officer is fully capable of carrying out the responsibility in that manner;

(D) the State Historic Preservation Officer agrees to permit the Secretary to review and revise, as appropriate in the discretion of the Secretary, decisions made by the Officer pursuant to the contract or cooperative agreement; and

(E) the Secretary and the State Historic Preservation Officer agree on the terms of additional financial assistance to the State, if there is to be any, for the costs of carrying out that responsibility.

(3) ESTABLISH CONDITIONS AND CRITERIA.—For each significant program area under the Secretary’s authority, the Secretary shall establish specific conditions and criteria essential for the assumption by a State Historic Preservation Officer of the Secretary’s duties in each of those programs.

(4) PRESERVATION PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES NOT DIMINISHED.— Nothing in this chapter shall have the effect of diminishing the preservation programs and activities of the Service.

## **Chapter 3025—Certification of Local Governments**

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### **§ 302501. Definitions**

In this chapter:

(1) DESIGNATION.—The term “designation” means the identification and registration of property for protection that meets criteria established by a State or locality for significant historic property within the jurisdiction of a local government.

(2) PROTECTION.—The term “protection” means protection by means of a local review process under State or local law for proposed demolition of, changes to, or other action that may affect historic property designated pursuant to this chapter.

**§ 302502. Certification as part of State program**

Any State program approved under this subdivision shall provide a mechanism for the certification by the State Historic Preservation Officer of local governments to carry out the purposes of this division and provide for the transfer, in accordance with section 302902(c)(4) of this title, of a portion of the grants received by the States under this division, to those local governments.

**§ 302503. Requirements for certification**

(a) APPROVED STATE PROGRAM.—Any local government shall be certified to participate under this section if the applicable State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Secretary, certify that the local government—

(1) enforces appropriate State or local legislation for the designation and protection of historic property;

(2) has established an adequate and qualified historic preservation review commission by State or local legislation;

(3) maintains a system for the survey and inventory of historic property that furthers the purposes of chapter 3023;

(4) provides for adequate public participation in the local historic preservation program, including the process of recommending properties for nomination to the National Register; and

(5) satisfactorily performs the responsibilities delegated to it under this division.

(b) NO APPROVED STATE PROGRAM.—Where there is no State program approved under sections 302301 and 302302 of this title, a local government may be certified by the Secretary if the Secretary determines that the local government meets the requirements of subsection (a). The Secretary may make grants to the local government certified under this subsection for purposes of this subdivision.

**§ 302504. Participation of certified local governments in National Register nominations**

(a) NOTICE.—Before a property within the jurisdiction of a certified local government may be considered by a State to be nominated to the Secretary for inclusion on the National Register, the State Historic Preservation Officer shall notify the owner, the applicable chief local elected official, and the local historic preservation commission.

(b) REPORT.—The local historic preservation commission, after reasonable opportunity for public comment, shall prepare a report as to whether the property, in the Commission’s opinion, meets the criteria of the National Register. Within 60 days of notice from the State Historic Preservation Officer, the chief local elected official shall transmit the report of the commission and the recommendation of the local official to the State Historic Preservation Officer.

(c) RECOMMENDATION.—

(1) PROPERTY NOMINATED TO NATIONAL REGISTER.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), after receipt of the report and recommendation, or if no report and recommendation are received

within 60 days, the State shall make the nomination pursuant to section 302104 of this title. The State may expedite the process with the concurrence of the certified local government.

(2) PROPERTY NOT NOMINATED TO NATIONAL REGISTER.—If both the commission and the chief local elected official recommend that a property not be nominated to the National Register, the State Historic Preservation Officer shall take no further action, unless, within 30 days of the receipt of the recommendation by the State Historic Preservation Officer, an appeal is filed with the State. If an appeal is filed, the State shall follow the procedures for making a nomination pursuant to section 302104 of this title. Any report and recommendations made under this section shall be included with any nomination submitted by the State to the Secretary.

#### **§ 302505. Eligibility and responsibility of certified local government**

Any local government—

(1) that is certified under this chapter shall be eligible for funds under section 302902(c)(4) of this title; and

(2) that is certified, or making efforts to become certified, under this chapter shall carry out any responsibilities delegated to it in accordance with such terms and conditions as the Secretary considers necessary or advisable.

### **Chapter 3027—Historic Preservation Programs and Authorities for Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian Organizations**

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#### **§ 302701. Program to assist Indian tribes in preserving historic property**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish a program and promulgate regulations to assist Indian tribes in preserving their historic property.

(b) COMMUNICATION AND COOPERATION.—The Secretary shall foster communication and cooperation between Indian tribes and State Historic Preservation Officers in the administration of the national historic preservation program to—

(1) ensure that all types of historic property and all public interests in historic property are given due consideration; and

(2) encourage coordination among Indian tribes, State Historic Preservation Officers, and Federal agencies in historic preservation planning and in the identification, evaluation, protection, and interpretation of historic property.

(c) TRIBAL VALUES.—The program under subsection (a) shall be developed in a manner to ensure that tribal values are taken into account to the extent feasible. The Secretary may waive or modify requirements of this subdivision to conform to the cultural setting of tribal heritage preservation goals and objectives.

(d) SCOPE OF TRIBAL PROGRAMS.—The tribal programs implemented by specific tribal organizations may vary in scope, as determined by each Indian tribe’s chief governing authority.

(e) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall consult with Indian tribes, other Federal agencies, State Historic Preservations Officers, and other interested parties concerning the program under subsection (a).

**§ 302702. Indian tribe to assume functions of State Historic Preservation Officer**

An Indian tribe may assume all or any part of the functions of a State Historic Preservation Officer in accordance with sections 302302 and 302303 of this title, with respect to tribal land, as those responsibilities may be modified for tribal programs through regulations issued by the Secretary, if—

- (1) the Indian tribe’s chief governing authority so requests;
- (2) the Indian tribe designates a tribal preservation official to administer the tribal historic preservation program, through appointment by the Indian tribe’s chief governing authority or as a tribal ordinance may otherwise provide;
- (3) the tribal preservation official provides the Secretary with a plan describing how the functions the tribal preservation official proposes to assume will be carried out;
- (4) the Secretary determines, after consulting with the Indian tribe, the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer, the Council (if the Indian tribe proposes to assume the functions of the State Historic Preservation Officer with respect to review of undertakings under section 306108 of this title), and other Indian tribes, if any, whose tribal or aboriginal land may be affected by conduct of the tribal preservation program, that—
  - (A) the tribal preservation program is fully capable of carrying out the functions specified in the plan provided under paragraph (3);
  - (B) the plan defines the remaining responsibilities of the Secretary and the State Historic Preservation Officer; and
  - (C) the plan provides, with respect to properties neither owned by a member of the Indian tribe nor held in trust by the Secretary for the benefit of the Indian tribe, at the request of the owner of the properties, that the State Historic Preservation Officer, in addition to the tribal preservation official, may exercise the historic preservation responsibilities in accordance with sections 302302 and 302303 of this title; and
- (5) based on satisfaction of the conditions stated in paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and (4), the Secretary approves the plan.

**§ 302703. Apportionment of grant funds**

In consultation with interested Indian tribes, other Native American organizations, and affected State Historic Preservation Officers, the Secretary shall establish and implement procedures for carrying out section 302902(c)(1)(A) of this title with respect to tribal programs that assume responsibilities under section 302702 of this title.

**§ 302704. Contracts and cooperative agreements**

At the request of an Indian tribe whose preservation program has been approved to assume functions and responsibilities pursuant to section 302702 of this title, the Secretary shall enter into a contract or

cooperative agreement with the Indian tribe permitting the assumption by the Indian tribe of any part of the responsibilities described in section 302304(b) of this title on tribal land, if—

- (1) the Secretary and the Indian tribe agree on additional financial assistance, if any, to the Indian tribe for the costs of carrying out those authorities;
- (2) the Secretary finds that the tribal historic preservation program has been demonstrated to be sufficient to carry out the contract or cooperative agreement and this division; and
- (3) the contract or cooperative agreement specifies the continuing responsibilities of the Secretary or of the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officers and provides for appropriate participation by—
  - (A) the Indian tribe’s traditional cultural authorities;
  - (B) representatives of other Indian tribes whose traditional land is under the jurisdiction of the Indian tribe assuming responsibilities; and
  - (C) the interested public.

**§ 302705. Agreement for review under tribal historic preservation regulations**

The Council may enter into an agreement with an Indian tribe to permit undertakings on tribal land to be reviewed under tribal historic preservation regulations in place of review under regulations promulgated by the Council to govern compliance with section 306108 of this title, if the Council, after consultation with the Indian tribe and appropriate State Historic Preservation Officers, determines that the tribal preservation regulations will afford historic property consideration equivalent to that afforded by the Council’s regulations.

**§ 302706. Eligibility for inclusion on National Register**

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Property of traditional religious and cultural importance to an Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization may be determined to be eligible for inclusion on the National Register.
- (b) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out its responsibilities under section 306108 of this title, a Federal agency shall consult with any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization that attaches religious and cultural significance to property described in subsection (a).
- (c) HAWAII.—In carrying out responsibilities under section 302303 of this title, the State Historic Preservation Officer for Hawaii shall—
  - (1) consult with Native Hawaiian organizations in assessing the cultural significance of any property in determining whether to nominate the property to the National Register;
  - (2) consult with Native Hawaiian organizations in developing the cultural component of a preservation program or plan for the property; and
  - (3) enter into a memorandum of understanding or agreement with Native Hawaiian organizations for the assessment of the cultural significance of a property in determining whether to nominate the property to the National Register and to carry out the cultural component of the preservation program or plan.



## Chapter 3029—Grants

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### § 302901. Awarding of grants and availability of grant funds

(a) IN GENERAL.—No grant may be made under this division unless application for the grant is submitted to the Secretary in accordance with regulations and procedures prescribed by the Secretary.

(b) GRANT NOT TREATED AS TAXABLE INCOME.—No grant made pursuant to this division shall be treated as taxable income for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

(c) AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary shall make funding available to individual States and the National Trust as soon as practicable after execution of a grant agreement. For purposes of administration, grants to individual States and the National Trust each shall be deemed to be one grant and shall be administered by the Service as one grant.

### § 302902. Grants to States

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer a program of matching grants to the States for the purposes of carrying out this division.

(b) CONDITIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—No grant may be made under this division—

(A) unless the application is in accordance with the comprehensive statewide historic preservation plan that has been approved by the Secretary after considering its relationship to the comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan prepared pursuant to chapter 2003 of this title;

(B) unless the grantee has agreed to make reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Secretary may from time to time require;

(C) unless the grantee has agreed to assume, after completion of the project, the total cost of the continued maintenance, repair, and administration of the property in a manner satisfactory to the Secretary; or

(D) until the grantee has complied with such further terms and conditions as the Secretary may consider necessary or advisable.

(2) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the requirements of subparagraphs (A) and (C) of paragraph (1) for any grant under this division to the National Trust.

(3) AMOUNT LIMITATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—No grant may be made under this division for more than 60 percent of the aggregate costs of carrying out projects and programs under the administrative control of the State Historic Preservation Officer as specified in section 302303 of this title in any one fiscal year.

(B) SOURCE OF STATE SHARE OF COSTS.—Except as permitted by other law, the State share of the costs referred to in subparagraph (A) shall be contributed by non-Federal sources.

(4) RESTRICTION ON USE OF REAL PROPERTY TO MEET NONFEDERAL SHARE OF COST OF PROJECT.—No State shall be permitted to utilize the value of real property obtained before October 15, 1966, in meeting the non-Federal share of the cost of a project for which a grant is made under this division.

(c) APPORTIONMENT OF GRANT AMOUNTS.—

(1) BASES FOR APPORTIONMENT.—The amounts appropriated and made available for grants to the States—

(A) for the purposes of this division shall be apportioned among the States by the Secretary on the basis of needs as determined by the Secretary; and

(B) for projects and programs under this division for each fiscal year shall be apportioned among the States as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(2) NOTIFICATION.—The Secretary shall notify each State of its apportionment under paragraph (1)(B) within 30 days after the date of enactment of legislation appropriating funds under this division.

(3) REAPPORTIONMENT.—Any amount of any apportionment that has not been paid or obligated by the Secretary during the fiscal year in which the notification is given or during the 2 fiscal years after that fiscal year shall be reapportioned by the Secretary in accordance with paragraph (1)(B). The Secretary shall analyze and revise as necessary the method of apportionment. The method and any revision shall be published by the Secretary in the Federal Register.

(4) TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.— Not less than 10 percent of the annual apportionment distributed by the Secretary to each State for the purposes of carrying out this division shall be transferred by the State, pursuant to the requirements of this division, to certified local governments for historic preservation projects or programs of the certified local governments. In any year in which the total annual apportionment to the States exceeds \$65,000,000, 50 percent of the excess shall also be transferred by the States to certified local governments.

(5) GUIDELINES FOR USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.— The Secretary shall establish guidelines for the use and distribution of funds under paragraph (4) to ensure that no certified local government receives a disproportionate share of the funds available, and may include a maximum or minimum limitation on the amount of funds distributed to any single certified local government. The guidelines shall not limit the ability of any State to distribute more than 10 percent of its annual apportionment under paragraph (4), nor shall the Secretary require any State to exceed the 10 percent minimum distribution to certified local governments.

(d) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The total direct and indirect administrative costs charged for carrying out State projects and programs shall not exceed 25 percent of the aggregate costs (except in the case of a grant to the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau).

**§ 302903. Grants to National Trust**

(a) SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—The Secretary may administer grants to the National Trust consistent with the purposes of its charter and this division.

(b) SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may make grants to the National Trust, on terms and conditions and in amounts (not exceeding \$90,000 with respect to any one structure) as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development considers appropriate, to cover the costs incurred by the National Trust in renovating or restoring structures that the National Trust considers to be of historic or architectural value and that the National Trust has accepted and will maintain (after the renovation or restoration) for historic purposes.

**§ 302904. Direct grants for the preservation of properties included on National Register**

(a) ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall administer a program of direct grants for the preservation of properties included on the National Register.

(b) AVAILABLE AMOUNT.—Funds to support the program annually shall not exceed 10 percent of the amount appropriated annually for the Historic Preservation Fund.

(c) USES OF GRANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Grants under this section may be made by the Secretary, in consultation with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer—

(A) for the preservation of—

(i) National Historic Landmarks that are threatened with demolition or impairment; and

(ii) historic property of World Heritage significance;

(B) for demonstration projects that will provide information concerning professional methods and techniques having application to historic property;

(C) for the training and development of skilled labor in trades and crafts, and in analysis and curation, relating to historic preservation; and

(D) to assist individuals or small businesses within any historic district included on the National Register to remain within the district.

(2) LIMIT ON CERTAIN GRANTS.—A grant may be made under subparagraph (A) or (D) of paragraph (1) only to the extent that the project cannot be carried out in as effective a manner through the use of an insured loan under section 303901 of this title.

**§ 302905. Religious property**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Grants may be made under this chapter for the preservation, stabilization, restoration, or rehabilitation of religious property listed on the National Register if the purpose of the grant—

- (1) is secular;
- (2) does not promote religion; and
- (3) seeks to protect qualities that are historically significant.

(b) EFFECT OF SECTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the use of any funds made available under this subdivision for the acquisition of any religious property listed on the National Register.

**§ 302906. Grants and loans to Indian tribes and nonprofit organizations representing ethnic or minority groups**

The Secretary may, in consultation with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer, make grants or loans or both under this subdivision to Indian tribes and to nonprofit organizations representing ethnic or minority groups for the preservation of their cultural heritage.

**§ 302907. Grants to Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations**

The Secretary shall administer a program of direct grants to Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations for the purpose of carrying out this division as it pertains to Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations. Matching fund requirements may be modified. Federal funds available to an Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization may be used as matching funds for the purposes of the Indian tribe's or Native Hawaiian organization's conducting its responsibilities pursuant to this subdivision.

**§ 302908. Grants to the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau**

(a) IN GENERAL.—As part of the program of matching grant assistance from the Historic Preservation Fund to States, the Secretary shall administer a program of direct grants to the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau in furtherance of the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands, approved by the Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (48 U.S.C. 1901 et seq., 2001 et seq.), and the Compact of Free Association between the United States and Palau, approved by the Joint Resolution entitled "Joint Resolution to approve the 'Compact of Free Association' between the United States and Government of Palau, and for other purposes" (48 U.S.C. 1931 et seq.) or any successor enactment.

(b) GOAL OF PROGRAM.—The goal of the program shall be to establish historic and cultural preservation programs that meet the unique needs of each of those nations so that at the termination of the compacts the programs shall be firmly established.

(c) BASIS OF ALLOCATING AMOUNTS.—The amounts to be made available under this subsection shall be allocated by the Secretary on the basis of needs as determined by the Secretary.

(d) WAIVERS AND MODIFICATIONS.—The Secretary may waive or modify the requirements of this subdivision to conform to the cultural setting of those nations. Matching funds may be waived or modified.

### **§ 302909. Prohibited use of grant amounts**

No part of any grant made under this subdivision shall be used to compensate any person intervening in any proceeding under this division.

### **§ 302910. Recordkeeping**

A recipient of assistance under this division shall keep—

- (1) such records as the Secretary shall prescribe, including records that fully disclose—
  - (A) the disposition by the recipient of the proceeds of the assistance;
  - (B) the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which the assistance is given or used; and
  - (C) the amount and nature of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources; and
- (2) such other records as will facilitate an effective audit.

## **Chapter 3031—Historic Preservation Fund**

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### **§ 303101. Establishment**

To carry out this division (except chapter 3041) and chapter 3121, there is established in the Treasury the Historic Preservation Fund.

### **§ 303102. Contents**

For each of fiscal years 2012 to 2015, \$150,000,000 shall be deposited in the Historic Preservation Fund from revenues due and payable to the United States under section 9 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1338), section 7433(b) of title 10, or both, notwithstanding any provision of law that those proceeds shall be credited to miscellaneous receipts of the Treasury.

### **§ 303103. Use and availability**

Amounts in the Historic Preservation Fund shall be used only to carry out this division and shall be available for expenditure only when appropriated by Congress. Any amount not appropriated shall remain available in the Historic Preservation Fund until appropriated for those purposes. Appropriations made pursuant to this section may be made without fiscal year limitation.

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**§ 303901. Loan insurance program for preservation of property included on National Register**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish and maintain a program by which the Secretary may, on application of a private lender, insure loans (including loans made in accordance with a mortgage) made by the lender to finance any project for the preservation of a property included on the National Register.

(b) LOAN QUALIFICATIONS.—A loan may be insured under this section if—

(1) the loan is made by a private lender approved by the Secretary as financially sound and able to service the loan properly;

(2) the amount of the loan, and interest rate charged with respect to the loan, do not exceed the amount and rate established by the Secretary by regulation;

(3) the Secretary has consulted the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer concerning the preservation of the historic property;

(4) the Secretary has determined that the loan is adequately secured and there is reasonable assurance of repayment;

(5) the repayment period of the loan does not exceed the lesser of 40 years or the expected life of the asset financed;

(6) the amount insured with respect to the loan does not exceed 90 percent of the loss sustained by the lender with respect to the loan; and

(7) the loan, the borrower, and the historic property to be preserved meet such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Secretary by regulation, especially terms and conditions relating to the nature and quality of the preservation work.

(c) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of the Treasury regarding the interest rate of loans insured under this section.

(d) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF UNPAID PRINCIPAL BALANCE OF LOANS.—The aggregate unpaid principal balance of loans insured under this section may not exceed the amount that has been deposited in the Historic Preservation Fund but which has not been appropriated for any purpose.

(e) INSURANCE CONTRACTS.—Any contract of insurance executed by the Secretary under this section may be assignable, shall be an obligation supported by the full faith and credit of the United States, and shall be incontestable except for fraud or misrepresentation of which the holder had actual knowledge at the time it became a holder.

(f) CONDITIONS AND METHODS OF PAYMENT AS RESULT OF LOSS.— The Secretary shall specify, by regulation and in each contract entered into under this section, the conditions and method of payment to a private lender as a result of losses incurred by the lender on any loan insured under this section.

(g) PROTECTION OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.— In entering into any contract to insure a loan under this section, the Secretary shall take steps to ensure adequate protection of the financial interests of the Federal Government. The Secretary may—

(1) in connection with any foreclosure proceeding, obtain, on behalf of the Federal Government, the historic property securing a loan insured under this section; and

(2) operate or lease the historic property for such period as may be necessary to protect the interest of the Federal Government and to carry out subsection (h).

**(h) CONVEYANCE TO GOVERNMENTAL OR NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY FORECLOSURE.—**

(1) **ATTEMPT TO CONVEY TO ENSURE PROPERTY'S PRESERVATION AND USE.—**In any case in which historic property is obtained pursuant to subsection (g), the Secretary shall attempt to convey the property to any governmental or nongovernmental entity under conditions that will ensure the property's continued preservation and use. If, after a reasonable time, the Secretary, in consultation with the Council, determines that there is no feasible and prudent means to convey the property and to ensure its continued preservation and use, the Secretary may convey the property at the fair market value of its interest in the property to any entity without restriction.

(2) **DISPOSITION OF FUNDS.—**Any funds obtained by the Secretary in connection with the conveyance of any historic property pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be deposited in the Historic Preservation Fund and shall remain available in the Historic Preservation Fund until appropriated by Congress to carry out this division.

(i) **ASSESSMENT OF FEES IN CONNECTION WITH INSURING LOANS.—**The Secretary may assess appropriate and reasonable fees in connection with insuring loans under this section. The fees shall be deposited in the Historic Preservation Fund and shall remain available in the Historic Preservation Fund until appropriated by Congress to carry out this division.

(j) **TREATMENT OF LOANS AS NON-FEDERAL FUNDS.—**Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any loan insured under this section shall be treated as non-Federal funds for the purposes of satisfying any requirement of any other provision of law under which Federal funds to be used for any project or activity are conditioned on the use of non-Federal funds by the recipient for payment of any portion of the costs of the project or activity.

(k) **INELIGIBILITY OF DEBT OBLIGATION FOR PURCHASE OR COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE BY, OR SALE OR ISSUANCE TO, FEDERAL FINANCING BANK.—**No debt obligation that is made or committed to be made, or that is insured or committed to be insured, by the Secretary under this section shall be eligible for purchase by, or commitment to purchase by, or sale or issuance to, the Federal Financing Bank.

**§ 303902. Training in, and dissemination of information concerning, professional methods and techniques for preservation of historic property**

The Secretary shall develop and make available to Federal agencies, State and local governments, private organizations and individuals, and other nations and international organizations pursuant to the World Heritage Convention, training in, and information concerning, professional methods and techniques for the preservation of historic property and for the administration of the historic preservation program at the Federal, State, and local level. The Secretary shall also develop mechanisms to provide information concerning historic preservation to the general public including students.

### § 303903. Preservation education and training program

The Secretary, in consultation with the Council and other appropriate Federal, tribal, Native Hawaiian, and non-Federal organizations, shall develop and implement a comprehensive preservation education and training program. The program shall include—

- (1) standards and increased preservation training opportunities for Federal workers involved in preservation-related functions;
- (2) preservation training opportunities for other Federal, State, tribal and local government workers, and students;
- (3) technical or financial assistance, or both, to historically black colleges and universities, to tribal colleges, and to colleges with a high enrollment of Native Americans or Native Hawaiians, to establish preservation training and degree programs; and
- (4) where appropriate, coordination with the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training of—
  - (A) distribution of information on preservation technologies;
  - (B) provision of training and skill development in trades, crafts, and disciplines related to historic preservation in Federal training and development programs; and
  - (C) support for research, analysis, conservation, curation, interpretation, and display related to preservation.

## Subdivision 3—Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

### Chapter 3041—Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

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#### § 304101. Establishment; vacancies

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established as an independent agency of the United States Government an Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, which shall be composed of the following members:

- (1) A Chairman appointed by the President selected from the general public.
- (2) The Secretary.



- (3) The Architect of the Capitol.
- (4) The Secretary of Agriculture and the heads of 7 other agencies of the United States (other than the Department of the Interior), the activities of which affect historic preservation, designated by the President.
- (5) One Governor appointed by the President.
- (6) One mayor appointed by the President.
- (7) The President of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers.
- (8) The Chairman of the National Trust.
- (9) Four experts in the field of historic preservation appointed by the President from architecture, history, archeology, and other appropriate disciplines.
- (10) Three members from the general public, appointed by the President.
- (11) One member of an Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization who represents the interests of the Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization of which he or she is a member, appointed by the President.

(b) DESIGNATION OF SUBSTITUTES.—Each member of the Council specified in paragraphs (2) to (5), (7), and (8) of subsection (a) may designate another officer of the department, agency, or organization to serve on the Council instead of the member, except that, in the case of paragraphs (2) and (4), no officer other than an Assistant Secretary or an officer having major department wide or agency-wide responsibilities may be designated.

(c) TERM OF OFFICE.—Each member of the Council appointed under paragraphs (1) and (9) to (11) of subsection (a) shall serve for a term of 4 years from the expiration of the term of the member's predecessor. The members appointed under paragraphs (5) and (6) shall serve for the term of their elected office but not in excess of 4 years. An appointed member may not serve more than 2 terms. An appointed member whose term has expired shall serve until that member's successor has been appointed.

(d) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Council shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled, not later than 60 days after the vacancy commences, in the same manner as the original appointment (and for the balance of the unexpired term).

(e) DESIGNATION OF VICE CHAIRMAN.—The President shall designate a Vice Chairman from the members appointed under paragraph (5), (6), (9), or (10) of subsection (a). The Vice Chairman may act in place of the Chairman during the absence or disability of the Chairman or when the office is vacant.

(f) QUORUM.—Twelve members of the Council shall constitute a quorum.

#### **§ 304102. Duties of Council**

(a) DUTIES.—The Council shall—

- (1) advise the President and Congress on matters relating to historic preservation, recommend measures to coordinate activities of Federal, State, and local agencies and private institutions

and individuals relating to historic preservation, and advise on the dissemination of information pertaining to those activities;

(2) encourage, in cooperation with the National Trust and appropriate private agencies, public interest and participation in historic preservation;

(3) recommend the conduct of studies in such areas as—

(A) the adequacy of legislative and administrative statutes and regulations pertaining to historic preservation activities of State and local governments; and

(B) the effects of tax policies at all levels of government on historic preservation;

(4) advise as to guidelines for the assistance of State and local governments in drafting legislation relating to historic preservation;

(5) encourage, in cooperation with appropriate public and private agencies and institutions, training and education in the field of historic preservation;

(6) review the policies and programs of Federal agencies and recommend to Federal agencies methods to improve the effectiveness, coordination, and consistency of those policies and programs with the policies and programs carried out under this division; and

(7) inform and educate Federal agencies, State and local governments, Indian tribes, other nations and international organizations and private groups and individuals as to the Council's authorized activities.

(b) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Council annually shall submit to the President a comprehensive report of its activities and the results of its studies and shall from time to time submit additional and special reports as it deems advisable. Each report shall propose legislative enactments and other actions as, in the judgment of the Council, are necessary and appropriate to carry out its recommendations and shall provide the Council's assessment of current and emerging problems in the field of historic preservation and an evaluation of the effectiveness of the programs of Federal agencies, State and local governments, and the private sector in carrying out this division.

#### **§ 304103. Cooperation between Council and instrumentalities of executive branch of Federal Government**

The Council may secure directly from any Federal agency information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics for the purpose of this chapter. Each Federal agency may furnish information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics to the extent permitted by law and within available funds.

#### **§ 304104. Compensation of members of Council**

The members of the Council specified in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of section 304101(a) of this title shall serve without additional compensation. The other members of the Council shall receive \$100 per diem when engaged in the performance of the duties of the Council. All members of the Council shall receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties of the Council.

#### **§ 304105. Administration**

(a) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—There shall be an Executive Director of the Council who shall be appointed by the Chairman with the concurrence of the Council in the competitive service at a rate within the General

Schedule, in the competitive service at a rate that may exceed the rate prescribed for the highest rate established for grade 15 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5, or in the Senior Executive Service under section 3393 of title 5. The Executive Director shall report directly to the Council and perform such functions and duties as the Council may prescribe.

(b) GENERAL COUNSEL AND APPOINTMENT OF OTHER ATTORNEYS.—

(1) GENERAL COUNSEL.—The Council shall have a General Counsel, who shall be appointed by the Executive Director. The General Counsel shall report directly to the Executive Director and serve as the Council's legal advisor.

(2) APPOINTMENT OF OTHER ATTORNEYS.—The Executive Director shall appoint other attorneys as may be necessary to—

(A) assist the General Counsel;

(B) represent the Council in court when appropriate, including enforcement of agreements with Federal agencies to which the Council is a party;

(C) assist the Department of Justice in handling litigation concerning the Council in court; and

(D) perform such other legal duties and functions as the Executive Director and the Council may direct.

(c) APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.—The Executive Director of the Council may appoint and fix the compensation of officers and employees in the competitive service who are necessary to perform the functions of the Council at rates not to exceed that prescribed for the highest rate for grade 15 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5. The Executive Director, with the concurrence of the Chairman, may appoint and fix the compensation of not to exceed 5 employees in the competitive service at rates that exceed that prescribed for the highest rate established for grade 15 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5 or in the Senior Executive Service under section 3393 of title 5.

(d) APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION OF ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.— The Executive Director may appoint and fix the compensation of such additional personnel as may be necessary to carry out the Council's duties, without regard to the civil service laws and chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5.

(e) EXPERT AND CONSULTANT SERVICES.—The Executive Director may procure expert and consultant services in accordance with section 3109 of title 5.

(f) FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES.—

(1) SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY SECRETARY, AGENCY, OR PRIVATE ENTITY.—Financial and administrative services (including those related to budgeting, accounting, financial reporting, personnel and procurement) shall be provided the Council by the Secretary or, at the discretion of the Council, another agency or private entity that reaches an agreement with the Council, for which payments shall be made in advance, or by reimbursement, from funds of the Council in such amounts as may be agreed on by the Chairman of the Council and the head of the agency or the authorized representative of the private entity that will provide the services.

(2) FEDERAL AGENCY REGULATIONS RELATING TO COLLECTION APPLY.—When a Federal agency affords those services, the regulations of that agency under section 5514(b) of title 5 for the collection of indebtedness of personnel resulting from erroneous payments shall apply to the collection of erroneous payments made to or on behalf of a Council employee, and regulations of that agency under sections 1513(d) and 1514 of title 31 for the administrative control of funds shall apply to appropriations of the Council. The Council shall not be required to prescribe those regulations.

(g) FUNDS, PERSONNEL, FACILITIES, AND SERVICES.—

(1) PROVIDED BY FEDERAL AGENCY.—Any Federal agency may provide the Council, with or without reimbursement as may be agreed on by the Chairman and the agency, with such funds, personnel, facilities, and services under its jurisdiction and control as may be needed by the Council to carry out its duties, to the extent that the funds, personnel, facilities, and services are requested by the Council and are otherwise available for that purpose. Any funds provided to the Council pursuant to this subsection shall be obligated by the end of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the funds are received by the Council.

(2) OBTAINING ADDITIONAL PROPERTY, FACILITIES, AND SERVICES AND RECEIVING DONATIONS OF MONEY.—To the extent of available appropriations, the Council may obtain by purchase, rental, donation, or otherwise additional property, facilities, and services as may be needed to carry out its duties and may receive donations of money for that purpose. The Executive Director may accept, hold, use, expend, and administer the property, facilities, services, and money for the purposes of this division.

(h) RIGHTS, BENEFITS, AND PRIVILEGES OF TRANSFERRED EMPLOYEES.—Any employee in the competitive service of the United States transferred to the Council under section 207 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Public Law 89–665) retains all the rights, benefits, and privileges pertaining to the competitive service held prior to the transfer.

(i) EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACT.—The Council is exempt from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

(j) PROVISIONS THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS OF COUNCIL.—Subchapter II of chapter 5 and chapter 7 of title 5 shall govern the operations of the Council.

**§ 304106. International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property**

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF PARTICIPATION.—The participation of the United States as a member in the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property is authorized.

(b) OFFICIAL DELEGATION.—The Council shall recommend to the Secretary of State, after consultation with the Smithsonian Institution and other public and private organizations concerned with the technical problems of preservation, the members of the official delegation that will participate in the activities of the international Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property on behalf of the United States. The Secretary of State shall appoint the members of the official delegation from the persons recommended to the Secretary of State by the Council.

**§ 304107. Transmittal of legislative recommendations, testimony, or comments to any officer or agency of the United States prior to submission to Congress**

No officer or agency of the United States shall have any authority to require the Council to submit its legislative recommendations, or testimony, or comments on legislation to any officer or agency of the

United States for approval, comments, or review, prior to the submission of the recommendations, testimony, or comments to Congress. When the Council voluntarily seeks to obtain the comments or review of any officer or agency of the United States, the Council shall include a description of the actions in its legislative recommendations, testimony, or comments on legislation that it transmits to Congress.

#### **§ 304108. Regulations, procedures, and guidelines**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Council may promulgate regulations as it considers necessary to govern the implementation of section 306108 of this title in its entirety.

(b) PARTICIPATION BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.—The Council shall by regulation establish such procedures as may be necessary to provide for participation by local governments in proceedings and other actions taken by the Council with respect to undertakings referred to in section 306108 of this title that affect the local governments.

(c) EXEMPTION FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS OR UNDERTAKINGS.—The Council, with the concurrence of the Secretary, shall promulgate regulations or guidelines, as appropriate, under which Federal programs or undertakings may be exempted from any or all of the requirements of this division when the exemption is determined to be consistent with the purposes of this division, taking into consideration the magnitude of the exempted undertaking or program and the likelihood of impairment of historic property.

#### **§ 304109. Budget submission**

(a) TIME AND MANNER OF SUBMISSION.—The Council shall submit its budget annually as a related agency of the Department of the Interior.

(b) TRANSMITTAL OF COPIES TO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.— Whenever the Council submits any budget estimate or request to the President or the Office of Management and Budget, it shall concurrently transmit copies of that estimate or request to the Committee on Natural Resources and Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

#### **§ 304110. Report by Secretary to Council**

To assist the Council in discharging its responsibilities under this division, the Secretary at the request of the Chairman shall provide a report to the Council detailing the significance of any historic property, describing the effects of any proposed undertaking on the affected property, and recommending measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects.

#### **§ 304111. Reimbursements from State and local agencies**

Subject to applicable conflict of interest laws, the Council may receive reimbursements from State and local agencies and others pursuant to agreements executed in furtherance of this division.

#### **§ 304112. Effectiveness of Federal grant and assistance programs**

(a) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Council may enter into a cooperative agreement with any Federal agency that administers a grant or assistance program for the purpose of improving the effectiveness of the administration of the program in meeting the purposes and policies of this division. The cooperative agreement may include provisions that modify the selection criteria for a grant or assistance program to further the purposes of this division or that allow the Council to participate in the selection of recipients, if those provisions are not inconsistent with the grant or assistance program's statutory authorization and purpose.

(b) REVIEW OF GRANT AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—The Council may—

- (1) review the operation of any Federal grant or assistance program to evaluate the effectiveness of the program in meeting the purposes and policies of this division;
- (2) make recommendations to the head of any Federal agency that administers the program to further the consistency of the program with the purposes and policies of this division and to improve its effectiveness in carrying out those purposes and policies; and
- (3) make recommendations to the President and Congress regarding the effectiveness of Federal grant and assistance programs in meeting the purposes and policies of this division, including recommendations with regard to appropriate funding levels.

## **Subdivision 4—Other Organizations and Programs**

### **Chapter 3051—Historic Light Station Preservation**

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#### **§ 305101. Definitions**

In this chapter:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Administrator” means the Administrator of General Services.

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible entity” means—

(A) any department or agency of the Federal Government; or

(B) any department or agency of the State in which a historic light station is located, the local government of the community in which a historic light station is located, a nonprofit corporation, an educational agency, or a community development organization that—

(i) has agreed to comply with the conditions set forth in section 305104 of this title and to have the conditions recorded with the deed of title to the historic light station; and

(ii) is financially able to maintain the historic light station in accordance with the conditions set forth in section 305104 of this title.

(3) FEDERAL AID TO NAVIGATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Federal aid to navigation” means any device, operated and maintained by the United States, external to a vessel or aircraft, intended to assist a navigator to determine position or safe course, or to warn of dangers or obstructions to navigation.

(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “Federal aid to navigation” includes a light, lens, lantern, antenna, sound signal, camera, sensor, piece of electronic navigation equipment, power source, or other piece of equipment associated with a device described in subparagraph (A).

(4) HISTORIC LIGHT STATION.—The term “historic light station” includes the light tower, lighthouse, keeper’s dwelling, garages, storage sheds, oil house, fog signal building, boat house, barn, pumphouse, tramhouse support structures, piers, walkways, underlying and appurtenant land and related real property and improvements associated with a historic light station that is a historic property.

**§ 305102. Duties of Secretary in providing a national historic light station program**

To provide a national historic light station program, the Secretary shall—

- (1) collect and disseminate information concerning historic light stations;
- (2) foster educational programs relating to the history, practice, and contribution to society of historic light stations;
- (3) sponsor or conduct research and study into the history of light stations;
- (4) maintain a listing of historic light stations; and
- (5) assess the effectiveness of the program established by this chapter regarding the conveyance of historic light stations.

**§ 305103. Selection of eligible entity and conveyance of historic light stations**

(a) PROCESS AND POLICIES.—The Secretary and the Administrator shall maintain a process and policies for identifying, and selecting, an eligible entity to which a historic light station could be conveyed for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes, and to monitor the use of the light station by the eligible entity.

(b) APPLICATION REVIEW.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

(A) review all applications for the conveyance of a historic light station, when the agency with administrative jurisdiction over the historic light station has determined the property to be excess property (as that term is defined in section 102 of title 40); and

(B) forward to the Administrator a single approved application for the conveyance of the historic light station.

(2) CONSULTATION.—When selecting an eligible entity, the Secretary shall consult with the State Historic Preservation Officer of the State in which the historic light station is located.

(c) CONVEYANCE OR SALE OF HISTORIC LIGHT STATIONS.—

(1) CONVEYANCE BY ADMINISTRATOR.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), after the Secretary's selection of an eligible entity, the Administrator shall convey, by quitclaim deed, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a historic light station, subject to the conditions set forth in section 305104 of this title. The conveyance of a historic light station under this chapter shall not be subject to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11301 et seq.) or section 416(d) of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–383, 14 U.S.C. 93 note).

(2) HISTORIC LIGHT STATION LOCATED WITHIN A SYSTEM UNIT OR A REFUGE WITHIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM.—

(A) APPROVAL OF SECRETARY REQUIRED.—A historic light station located within the exterior boundaries of a System unit or a refuge within the National Wildlife Refuge System shall be conveyed or sold only with the approval of the Secretary.

(B) CONDITIONS OF CONVEYANCE.—If the Secretary approves the conveyance of a historic light station described in subparagraph (A), the conveyance shall be subject to the conditions set forth in section 305104 of this title and any other terms or conditions that the Secretary considers necessary to protect the resources of the System unit or wildlife refuge.

(C) CONDITIONS OF SALE.—If the Secretary approves the sale of a historic light station described in subparagraph (A), the sale shall be subject to the conditions set forth in paragraphs (1) to (4) and (8) of subsection (a), and subsection (b), of section 305104 of this title and any other terms or conditions that the Secretary considers necessary to protect the resources of the System unit or wildlife refuge.

(D) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary is encouraged to enter into cooperative agreements with appropriate eligible entities with respect to historic light stations described in subparagraph (A), as provided in this division, to the extent that the cooperative agreements are consistent with the Secretary's responsibilities to manage and administer the System unit or wildlife refuge.

**§ 305104. Terms of conveyance**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The conveyance of a historic light station shall be made subject to any conditions, including the reservation of easements and other rights on behalf of the United States, that the Administrator considers necessary to ensure that—

(1) the Federal aids to navigation located at the historic light station in operation on the date of conveyance remain the personal property of the United States and continue to be operated and maintained by the United States for as long as needed for navigational purposes;

(2) there is reserved to the United States the right to remove, replace, or install any Federal aid to navigation located at the historic light station as may be necessary for navigational purposes;

(3) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed shall not interfere or allow interference in any manner with any Federal aid to navigation or hinder activities required for the operation and maintenance of any Federal aid to navigation without the express written permission of the head of the agency responsible for maintaining the Federal aid to navigation;



(4) (A) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed shall, at its own cost and expense, use and maintain the historic light station in accordance with this division, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties contained in part 68 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, and other applicable laws; and

(B) any proposed changes to the historic light station shall be reviewed and approved by the Secretary in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer of the State in which the historic light station is located, for consistency with section 800.5(a)(2)(vii) of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations and the Secretary's Standards for Rehabilitation contained in section 67.7 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations;

(5) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed shall make the historic light station available for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes for the general public at reasonable times and under reasonable conditions;

(6) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed shall not sell, convey, assign, exchange, or encumber the historic light station, any part of the historic light station, or any associated historic artifact conveyed to the eligible entity in conjunction with the historic light station conveyance, including any lens or lantern, unless the sale, conveyance, assignment, exchange, or encumbrance is approved by the Secretary;

(7) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed shall not conduct any commercial activity at the historic light station, at any part of the historic light station, or in connection with any associated historic artifact conveyed to the eligible entity in conjunction with the historic light station conveyance, in any manner, unless the commercial activity is approved by the Secretary; and

(8) the United States shall have the right, at any time, to enter the historic light station without notice, for purposes of operating, maintaining, and inspecting any aid to navigation and for the purpose of ensuring compliance with this section, to the extent that it is not possible to provide advance notice.

(b) MAINTENANCE OF AID TO NAVIGATION.—Any eligible entity to which a historic light station is conveyed shall not be required to maintain any Federal aid to navigation associated with a historic light station, except any private aid to navigation permitted to the eligible entity under section 83 of title 14.

(c) REVERSION.—In addition to any term or condition established pursuant to this section, the conveyance of a historic light station shall include a condition that the historic light station, or any associated historic artifact conveyed to the eligible entity in conjunction with the historic light station conveyance, including any lens or lantern, at the option of the Administrator, shall revert to the United States and be placed under the administrative control of the Administrator, if—

(1) the historic light station, any part of the historic light station, or any associated historic artifact ceases to be available for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes for the general public at reasonable times and under reasonable conditions that shall be set forth in the eligible entity's application;

(2) the historic light station or any part of the historic light station ceases to be maintained in a manner that ensures its present or future use as a site for a Federal aid to navigation;

(3) the historic light station, any part of the historic light station, or any associated historic artifact ceases to be maintained in compliance with this division, the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties contained in part 68 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, and other applicable laws;

(4) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed sells, conveys, assigns, exchanges, or encumbers the historic light station, any part of the historic light fixture, or any associated historic artifact, without approval of the Secretary;

(5) the eligible entity to which the historic light station is conveyed conducts any commercial activity at the historic light station, at any part of the historic light station, or in conjunction with any associated historic artifact, without approval of the Secretary; or

(6) at least 30 days before the reversion, the Administrator provides written notice to the owner that the historic light station or any part of the historic light station is needed for national security purposes.

(d) LIGHT STATIONS ORIGINALLY CONVEYED UNDER OTHER AUTHORITY.—On receiving notice of an executed or intended conveyance by an owner that received from the Federal Government under authority other than this division a historic light station in which the United States retains a reversionary or other interest and that is conveying it to another person by sale, gift, or any other manner, the Secretary shall review the terms of the executed or proposed conveyance to ensure that any new owner is capable of or is complying with any and all conditions of the original conveyance. The Secretary may require the parties to the conveyance and relevant Federal agencies to provide information as is necessary to complete the review. If the Secretary determines that the new owner has not complied or is unable to comply with those conditions, the Secretary shall immediately advise the Administrator, who shall invoke any reversionary interest or take other action as may be necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

#### **§ 305105. Description of property**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall prepare the legal description of any historic light station conveyed under this chapter. The Administrator, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary, may retain all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to any historical artifact, including any lens or lantern, that is associated with the historic light station and located at the historic light station at the time of conveyance. Wherever possible, the historical artifacts should be used in interpreting the historic light station. In cases where there is no method for preserving lenses and other artifacts and equipment in situ, priority should be given to preservation or museum entities most closely associated with the historic light station, if they meet loan requirements.

(b) ARTIFACTS.—Artifacts associated with, but not located at, a historic light station at the time of conveyance shall remain the property of the United States under the administrative control of the Secretary of Homeland Security.

(c) COVENANTS.—All conditions placed with the quitclaim deed of title to the historic light station shall be construed as covenants running with the land.

(d) SUBMERGED LAND.—No submerged land shall be conveyed under this chapter.

## § 305106. Historic light station sales

### (a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) WHEN SALE MAY OCCUR.—If no applicant is approved for the conveyance of a historic light station pursuant to sections 305101 through 305105 of this title, the historic light station shall be offered for sale.

### (2) TERMS OF SALE.—Terms of the sales—

(A) shall be developed by the Administrator; and

(B) shall be consistent with the requirements of paragraphs (1) to (4) and (8) of subsection (a), and subsection (b), of section 305104 of this title.

(3) COVENANTS TO BE INCLUDED IN CONVEYANCE DOCUMENTS.— Conveyance documents shall include all necessary covenants to protect the historical integrity of the historic light station and ensure that any Federal aid to navigation located at the historic light station is operated and maintained by the United States for as long as needed for that purpose.

### (b) NET SALE PROCEEDS.—

(1) DISPOSITION AND USE OF FUNDS.—Net sale proceeds from the disposal of a historic light station—

(A) located on public domain land shall be transferred to the National Maritime Heritage Grants Program established under chapter 3087 in the Department of the Interior; and

(B) under the administrative control of the Secretary of Homeland Security—

(i) shall be credited to the Coast Guard's Operating Expenses appropriation account; and

(ii) shall be available for obligation and expenditure for the maintenance of light stations remaining under the administrative control of the Secretary of Homeland Security.

(2) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—The funds referred to in paragraph (1)(B) shall remain available until expended and shall be available in addition to funds available in the Coast Guard's Operating Expense appropriation for that purpose.

## Chapter 3053—National Center for Preservation Technology and Training

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305302. National Center for Preservation Technology and Training.

305303. Preservation Technology and Training Board.

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### **§ 305301. Definitions**

In this chapter:

(1) BOARD.—The term “Board” means the Preservation Technology and Training Board established pursuant to section 305303 of this title.

(2) CENTER.—The term “Center” means the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training established pursuant to section 305302 of this title.

### **§ 305302. National Center for Preservation Technology and Training**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within the Department of the Interior a National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. The Center shall be located at Northwestern State University of Louisiana in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Center shall be to—

(1) develop and distribute preservation and conservation skills and technologies for the identification, evaluation, conservation, and interpretation of historic property;

(2) develop and facilitate training for Federal, State, and local resource preservation professionals, cultural resource managers, maintenance personnel, and others working in the preservation field;

(3) take steps to apply preservation technology benefits from ongoing research by other agencies and institutions;

(4) facilitate the transfer of preservation technology among Federal agencies, State and local governments, universities, international organizations, and the private sector; and

(5) cooperate with related international organizations including the International Council on Monuments and Sites, the International Center for the Study of Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property, and the International Council on Museums.

(c) PROGRAMS.—The purposes shall be carried out through research, professional training, technical assistance, and programs for public awareness, and through a program of grants established under section 305304 of this title.

(d) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The Center shall be headed by an Executive Director with demonstrated expertise in historic preservation appointed by the Secretary with advice of the Board.

(e) ASSISTANCE FROM SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall provide the Center assistance in obtaining such personnel, equipment, and facilities as may be needed by the Center to carry out its activities.

### **§ 305303. Preservation Technology and Training Board**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a Preservation Technology and Training Board.

(b) DUTIES.—The Board shall—

(1) provide leadership, policy advice, and professional oversight to the Center;

(2) advise the Secretary on priorities and the allocation of grants among the activities of the Center; and

(3) submit an annual report to the President and Congress.

(c) MEMBERSHIP.—The Board shall be comprised of—

(1) the Secretary;

(2) 6 members appointed by the Secretary, who shall represent appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, State and local historic preservation commissions, and other public and international organizations; and

(3) 6 members appointed by the Secretary on the basis of outstanding professional qualifications, who represent major organizations in the fields of archeology, architecture, conservation, curation, engineering, history, historic preservation, landscape architecture, planning, or preservation education.

#### **§ 305304. Preservation grants**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Board, shall provide preservation technology and training grants to eligible applicants with a demonstrated institutional capability and commitment to the purposes of the Center, in order to ensure an effective and efficient system of research, information distribution, and skills training in all the related historic preservation fields.

(b) GRANT REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) ALLOCATION.—Grants provided under this section shall be allocated in such a fashion as to reflect the diversity of the historic preservation fields and shall be geographically distributed.

(2) LIMIT ON AMOUNT A RECIPIENT MAY RECEIVE.—No grant recipient may receive more than 10 percent of the grants allocated under this section within any year.

(3) LIMIT ON ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The total administrative costs, direct and indirect, charged for carrying out grants under this section may not exceed 25 percent of the aggregate costs.

(c) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—Eligible applicants may include—

(1) Federal and non-Federal laboratories;

(2) accredited museums;

(3) universities;

(4) nonprofit organizations;

(5) System units and offices and Cooperative Park Study Units of the System;

(6) State Historic Preservation Offices;

(7) tribal preservation offices; and

(8) Native Hawaiian organizations.

(d) STANDARDS AND METHODS.—Grants shall be awarded in accordance with accepted professional standards and methods, including peer review of projects.

#### **§ 305305. General provisions**

(a) ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND TRANSFERS.—The Center may accept—

(1) grants and donations from private individuals, groups, organizations, corporations, foundations, and other entities; and

(2) transfers of funds from other Federal agencies.

(b) CONTRACTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Subject to appropriations, the Center may enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with Federal, State, local, and tribal governments, Native Hawaiian organizations, educational institutions, and other public entities to carry out the Center’s responsibilities under this chapter.

(c) ADDITIONAL FUNDS.—Funds appropriated for the Center shall be in addition to funds appropriated for Service programs, centers, and offices in existence on October 30, 1992.

#### **§ 305306. Service preservation centers and offices**

To improve the use of existing Service resources, the Secretary shall fully utilize and further develop the Service preservation (including conservation) centers and regional offices. The Secretary shall improve the coordination of the centers and offices within the Service, and shall, where appropriate, coordinate their activities with the Center and with other appropriate parties.

### **Chapter 3055—National Building Museum**

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#### **§ 305501. Definitions**

In this chapter:

(1) BUILDING ARTS.—The term “building arts” includes all practical and scholarly aspects of prehistoric, historic, and contemporary architecture, archeology, construction, building technology and skills, landscape architecture, preservation and conservation, building and construction, engineering, urban and community design and renewal, city and regional planning, and related professions, skills, trades, and crafts.

(2) COMMITTEE.—The term “Committee” means the Committee for a National Museum of the Building Arts, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the District of Columbia, or its successor.

### **§ 305502. Cooperative agreement to operate museum**

To provide a national center to commemorate and encourage the building arts and to preserve and maintain a nationally significant building that exemplifies the great achievements of the building arts in the United States, the Secretary and the Administrator of General Services shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the Committee for the operation of a National Building Museum in the Federal building located in the block bounded by Fourth Street, Fifth Street, F Street, and G Street, Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia. The cooperative agreement shall include provisions that—

- (1) make the site available to the Committee without charge;
- (2) provide, subject to available appropriations, such maintenance, security, information, janitorial, and other services as may be necessary to ensure the preservation and operation of the site; and
- (3) prescribe reasonable terms and conditions by which the Committee can fulfill its responsibilities under this division.

### **§ 305503. Activities and functions**

The National Building Museum shall—

- (1) collect and disseminate information concerning the building arts, including the establishment of a national reference center for current and historic documents, publications, and research relating to the building arts;
- (2) foster educational programs relating to the history, practice, and contribution to society of the building arts, including promotion of imaginative educational approaches to enhance understanding and appreciation of all facets of the building arts;
- (3) publicly display temporary and permanent exhibits illustrating, interpreting and demonstrating the building arts;
- (4) sponsor or conduct research and study into the history of the building arts and their role in shaping our civilization; and
- (5) encourage contributions to the building arts.

### **§ 305504. Matching grants to Committee**

The Secretary shall provide matching grants to the Committee for its programs related to historic preservation. The Committee shall match the grants in such a manner and with such funds and services as shall be satisfactory to the Secretary, except that not more than \$500,000 may be provided to the Committee in any one fiscal year.

### **§ 305505. Annual report**

The Committee shall submit an annual report to the Secretary and the Administrator of General Services concerning its activities under this chapter and shall provide the Secretary and the Administrator of General Services with such other information as the Secretary may consider necessary or advisable.

## Subdivision 5—Federal Agency Historic Preservation Responsibilities

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### Subchapter I—In General

#### § 306101. Assumption of responsibility for preservation of historic property

##### (a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) AGENCY HEAD RESPONSIBILITY.—The head of each Federal agency shall assume responsibility for the preservation of historic property that is owned or controlled by the agency.

(2) USE OF AVAILABLE HISTORIC PROPERTY.—Prior to acquiring, constructing, or leasing a building for purposes of carrying out agency responsibilities, a Federal agency shall use, to the maximum extent feasible, historic property available to the agency, in accordance with Executive Order No. 13006 (40 U.S.C. 3306 note).

(3) NECESSARY PRESERVATION.—Each Federal agency shall undertake, consistent with the preservation of historic property, the mission of the agency, and the professional standards established pursuant to subsection (c), any preservation as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

(b) GUIDELINES FOR FEDERAL AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY FOR AGENCY-OWNED HISTORIC PROPERTY.—In consultation with the Council, the Secretary shall promulgate guidelines for Federal agency responsibilities under this subchapter (except section 306108).

(c) PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR PRESERVATION OF FEDERALLY OWNED OR CONTROLLED HISTORIC PROPERTY.—The Secretary shall establish, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Defense, the Smithsonian Institution, and the Administrator of General Services, professional standards for the preservation of historic property in Federal ownership or control.



### **§ 306102. Preservation program**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Each Federal agency shall establish (except for programs or undertakings exempted pursuant to section 304108(c) of this title), in consultation with the Secretary, a preservation program for the identification, evaluation, and nomination to the National Register, and protection, of historic property.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The program shall ensure that—

(1) historic property under the jurisdiction or control of the agency is identified, evaluated, and nominated to the National Register;

(2) historic property under the jurisdiction or control of the agency is managed and maintained in a way that considers the preservation of their historic, archeological, architectural, and cultural values in compliance with section 306108 of this title and gives special consideration to the preservation of those values in the case of property designated as having national significance;

(3) the preservation of property not under the jurisdiction or control of the agency but potentially affected by agency actions is given full consideration in planning;

(4) the agency's preservation-related activities are carried out in consultation with other Federal, State, and local agencies, Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations carrying out historic preservation planning activities, and the private sector; and

(5) the agency's procedures for compliance with section 306108 of this title—

(A) are consistent with regulations promulgated by the Council pursuant to section 304108(a) and (b) of this title;

(B) provide a process for the identification and evaluation of historic property for listing on the National Register and the development and implementation of agreements, in consultation with State Historic Preservation Officers, local governments, Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, and the interested public, as appropriate, regarding the means by which adverse effects on historic property will be considered; and

(c) provide for the disposition of Native American cultural items from Federal or tribal land in a manner consistent with section 3(c) of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C. 3002(c)).

### **§ 306103. Recordation of historic property prior to alteration or demolition**

Each Federal agency shall initiate measures to ensure that where, as a result of Federal action or assistance carried out by the agency, a historic property is to be substantially altered or demolished—

(1) timely steps are taken to make or have made appropriate records; and

(2) the records are deposited, in accordance with section 302107 of this title, in the Library of Congress or with such other appropriate agency as the Secretary may designate, for future use and reference.

#### **§ 306104. Agency Preservation Officer**

The head of each Federal agency (except an agency that is exempted under section 304108(c) of this title) shall designate a qualified official as the agency's Preservation Officer who shall be responsible for coordinating the agency's activities under this division. Each Preservation Officer may, to be considered qualified, satisfactorily complete an appropriate training program established by the Secretary under section 306101(c) of this title.

#### **§ 306105. Agency programs and projects**

Consistent with the agency's missions and mandates, each Federal agency shall carry out agency programs and projects (including those under which any Federal assistance is provided or any Federal license, permit, or other approval is required) in accordance with the purposes of this division and give consideration to programs and projects that will further the purposes of this division.

#### **§ 306106. Review of plans of transferees of surplus federally owned historic property**

The Secretary shall review and approve the plans of transferees of surplus federally owned historic property not later than 90 days after receipt of the plans to ensure that the prehistorical, historical, architectural, or culturally significant values will be preserved or enhanced.

#### **§ 306107. Planning and actions to minimize harm to National Historic Landmarks**

Prior to the approval of any Federal undertaking that may directly and adversely affect any National Historic Landmark, the head of the responsible Federal agency shall to the maximum extent possible undertake such planning and actions as may be necessary to minimize harm to the landmark. The head of the Federal agency shall afford the Council a reasonable opportunity to comment with regard to the undertaking.

#### **§ 306108. Effect of undertaking on historic property**

The head of any Federal agency having direct or indirect jurisdiction over a proposed Federal or federally assisted undertaking in any State and the head of any Federal department or independent agency having authority to license any undertaking, prior to the approval of the expenditure of any Federal funds on the undertaking or prior to the issuance of any license, shall take into account the effect of the undertaking on any historic property. The head of the Federal agency shall afford the Council a reasonable opportunity to comment with regard to the undertaking.

#### **§ 306109. Costs of preservation as eligible project costs**

A Federal agency may include the costs of preservation activities of the agency under this division as eligible project costs in all undertakings of the agency or assisted by the agency. The eligible project costs may include amounts paid by a Federal agency to a State to be used in carrying out the preservation responsibilities of the Federal agency under this division, and reasonable costs may be charged to Federal licensees and permittees as a condition to the issuance of the license or permit.

#### **§ 306110. Annual preservation awards program**

The Secretary shall establish an annual preservation awards program under which the Secretary may make monetary awards in amounts of not to exceed \$1,000 and provide citations for special achievement to officers and employees of Federal, State, and certified local governments in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the preservation of historic property. The program may include the issuance of annual awards by the President to any citizen of the United States recommended for the award by the Secretary.

### **§ 306111. Environmental impact statement**

Nothing in this division shall be construed to—

- (1) require the preparation of an environmental impact statement where the statement would not otherwise be required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); or
- (2) provide any exemption from any requirement respecting the preparation of an environmental impact statement under that Act.

### **§ 306112. Waiver of provisions in event of natural disaster or imminent threat to national security**

The Secretary shall promulgate regulations under which the requirements of this subchapter (except section 306108) may be waived in whole or in part in the event of a major natural disaster or an imminent threat to national security.

### **§ 306113. Anticipatory demolition**

Each Federal agency shall ensure that the agency will not grant a loan, loan guarantee, permit, license, or other assistance to an applicant that, with intent to avoid the requirements of section 306108 of this title, has intentionally significantly adversely affected a historic property to which the grant would relate, or having legal power to prevent it, has allowed the significant adverse effect to occur, unless the agency, after consultation with the Council, determines that circumstances justify granting the assistance despite the adverse effect created or permitted by the applicant.

### **§ 306114. Documentation of decisions respecting undertakings**

With respect to any undertaking subject to section 306108 of this title that adversely affects any historic property for which a Federal agency has not entered into an agreement pursuant to regulations issued by the Council, the head of the agency shall document any decision made pursuant to section 306108 of this title. The head of the agency may not delegate the responsibility to document a decision pursuant to this section. Where an agreement pursuant to regulations issued by the Council has been executed with respect to an undertaking, the agreement shall govern the undertaking and all of its parts.

## **Subchapter II—Lease, Exchange, or Management of Historic Property**

### **§ 306121. Lease or exchange**

(a) **AUTHORITY TO LEASE OR EXCHANGE.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each Federal agency, after consultation with the Council—

- (1) shall, to the extent practicable, establish and implement alternatives (including adaptive use) for historic property that is not needed for current or projected agency purposes; and
- (2) may lease historic property owned by the agency to any person or organization, or exchange any property owned by the agency with comparable historic property, if the agency head determines that the lease or exchange will adequately ensure the preservation of the historic property.

(b) PROCEEDS OF LEASE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the proceeds of a lease under subsection (a) may be retained by the agency entering into the lease and used to defray the costs of administration, maintenance, repair, and related expenses incurred by the agency with respect to that property or other property that is on the National Register that is owned by, or are under the jurisdiction or control of, the agency. Any surplus proceeds from the leases shall be deposited in the Treasury at the end of the 2d fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the proceeds are received.

#### **§ 306122. Contracts for management of historic property**

The head of any Federal agency having responsibility for the management of any historic property may, after consultation with the Council, enter into a contract for the management of the property. The contract shall contain terms and conditions that the head of the agency considers necessary or appropriate to protect the interests of the United States and ensure adequate preservation of the historic property.

### **Subchapter III—Protection and Preservation of Resources**

#### **§ 306131. Standards and guidelines**

(a) STANDARDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each Federal agency that is responsible for the protection of historic property (including archeological property) pursuant to this division or any other law shall ensure that—

(A) all actions taken by employees or contractors of the agency meet professional standards under regulations developed by the Secretary in consultation with the Council, other affected agencies, and the appropriate professional societies of archeology, architecture, conservation, history, landscape architecture, and planning;

(B) agency personnel or contractors responsible for historic property meet qualification standards established by the Office of Personnel Management in consultation with the Secretary and appropriate professional societies of archeology, architecture, conservation, curation, history, landscape architecture, and planning; and

(C) records and other data, including data produced by historical research and archeological surveys and excavations, are permanently maintained in appropriate databases and made available to potential users pursuant to such regulations as the Secretary shall promulgate.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—The standards referred to in paragraph (1)(B) shall consider the particular skills and expertise needed for the preservation of historic property and shall be equivalent requirements for the disciplines involved.

(3) REVISION.—The Office of Management and Budget shall revise qualification standards for the disciplines involved.

(b) GUIDELINES.—To promote the preservation of historic property eligible for listing on the National Register, the Secretary shall, in consultation with the Council, promulgate guidelines to ensure that Federal, State, and tribal historic preservation programs subject to this division include plans to—

- (1) provide information to the owners of historic property (including architectural, curatorial, and archeological property) with demonstrated or likely research significance, about the need for protection of the historic property, and the available means of protection;
- (2) encourage owners to preserve historic property intact and in place and offer the owners of historic property information on the tax and grant assistance available for the donation of the historic property or of a preservation easement of the historic property;
- (3) encourage the protection of Native American cultural items (within the meaning of section 2 of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C. 3001)) and of property of religious or cultural importance to Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, or other Native American groups; and
- (4) encourage owners that are undertaking archeological excavations to—
  - (A) conduct excavations and analyses that meet standards for federally-sponsored excavations established by the Secretary;
  - (B) donate or lend artifacts of research significance to an appropriate research institution;
  - (C) allow access to artifacts for research purposes; and
  - (D) prior to excavating or disposing of a Native American cultural item in which an Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization may have an interest under subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 3(a)(2) of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C. 3002(a)(2)(B), (C)), give notice to and consult with the Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

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#### **§ 307101. World Heritage Convention**

- (a) **AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.**—In carrying out this section, the Secretary of the Interior may act directly or through an appropriate officer in the Department of the Interior.
- (b) **PARTICIPATION BY UNITED STATES.**—The Secretary shall direct and coordinate participation by the United States in the World Heritage Convention in cooperation with the Secretary of State, the Smithsonian Institution, and the Council. Whenever possible, expenditures incurred in carrying out activities in cooperation with other nations and international organizations shall be paid for in such excess currency of the country or area where the expense is incurred as may be available to the United States.

(c) **NOMINATION OF PROPERTY TO WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE.**— The Secretary shall periodically nominate property that the Secretary determines is of international significance to the World Heritage Committee on behalf of the United States. No property may be nominated unless it has previously been determined to be of national significance. Each nomination shall include evidence of such legal protections as may be necessary to ensure preservation of the property and its environment (including restrictive covenants, easements, or other forms of protection). Before making any nomination, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

(d) **NOMINATION OF NON-FEDERAL PROPERTY TO WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE REQUIRES WRITTEN CONCURRENCE OF OWNER.**—No non-Federal property may be nominated by the Secretary to the World Heritage Committee for inclusion on the World Heritage List unless the owner of the property concurs in the nomination in writing.

(e) **CONSIDERATION OF UNDERTAKING ON PROPERTY.**—Prior to the approval of any undertaking outside the United States that may directly and adversely affect a property that is on the World Heritage List or on the applicable country's equivalent of the National Register, the head of a Federal agency having direct or indirect jurisdiction over the undertaking shall take into account the effect of the undertaking on the property for purposes of avoiding or mitigating any adverse effect.

#### **§ 307102. Effective date of regulations**

(a) **PUBLICATION IN FEDERAL REGISTER.**—No final regulation of the Secretary shall become effective prior to the expiration of 30 calendar days after it is published in the Federal Register during which either or both Houses of Congress are in session.

(b) **DISAPPROVAL OF REGULATION BY RESOLUTION OF CONGRESS.**— The regulation shall not become effective if, within 90 calendar days of continuous session of Congress after the date of promulgation, both Houses of Congress adopt a concurrent resolution, the matter after the resolving clause of which is as follows: "That Congress disapproves the regulation promulgated by the Secretary dealing with the matter of , which regulation was transmitted to Congress on , " the blank spaces in the resolution being appropriately filled.

(c) **FAILURE OF CONGRESS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL OF REGULATION.**—If at the end of 60 calendar days of continuous session of Congress after the date of promulgation of a regulation, no committee of either House of Congress has reported or been discharged from further consideration of a concurrent resolution disapproving the regulation, and neither House has adopted such a resolution, the regulation may go into effect immediately. If, within the 60 calendar days, a committee has reported or been discharged from further consideration of such a resolution, the regulation may go into effect not sooner than 90 calendar days of continuous session of Congress after its promulgation unless disapproved as provided for.

(d) **SESSIONS OF CONGRESS.**—For purposes of this section—

(1) continuity of session is broken only by an adjournment sine die; and

(2) the days on which either House is not in session because of an adjournment of more than 3 days to a day certain are excluded in the computation of 60 and 90 calendar days of continuous session of Congress.

(e) **CONGRESSIONAL INACTION OR REJECTION OF RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL NOT DEEMED APPROVAL OF REGULATION.**—Congressional inaction on or rejection of a resolution of disapproval shall not be deemed an expression of approval of the regulation.

### **§ 307103. Access to information**

(a) **AUTHORITY TO WITHHOLD FROM DISCLOSURE.**—The head of a Federal agency, or other public official receiving grant assistance pursuant to this division, after consultation with the Secretary, shall withhold from disclosure to the public information about the location, character, or ownership of a historic property if the Secretary and the agency determine that disclosure may—

- (1) cause a significant invasion of privacy;
- (2) risk harm to the historic property; or
- (3) impede the use of a traditional religious site by practitioners.

(b) **ACCESS DETERMINATION.**—When the head of a Federal agency or other public official determines that information should be withheld from the public pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary, in consultation with the Federal agency head or official, shall determine who may have access to the information for the purpose of carrying out this division.

(c) **CONSULTATION WITH COUNCIL.**—When information described in subsection (a) has been developed in the course of an agency's compliance with section 306107 or 306108 of this title, the Secretary shall consult with the Council in reaching determinations under subsections (a) and (b).

### **§ 307104. Inapplicability of division to White House, Supreme Court building, or United States Capitol**

Nothing in this division applies to the White House and its grounds, the Supreme Court building and its grounds, or the United States Capitol and its related buildings and grounds.

### **§ 307105. Attorney's fees and costs to prevailing parties in civil actions**

In any civil action brought in any United States district court by any interested person to enforce this division, if the person substantially prevails in the action, the court may award attorney's fees, expert witness fees, and other costs of participating in the civil action, as the court considers reasonable.

### **§ 307106. Authorization for expenditure of appropriated funds**

Where appropriate, each Federal agency may expend funds appropriated for its authorized programs for the purposes of activities carried out pursuant to this division, except to the extent that appropriations legislation expressly provides otherwise.

### **§ 307107. Donations and bequests of money, personal property, and less than fee interests in historic property**

(a) **MONEY AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.**—The Secretary may accept donations and bequests of money and personal property for the purposes of this division and shall hold, use, expend, and administer the money and personal property for those purposes.

(b) **LESS THAN FEE INTEREST IN HISTORIC PROPERTY.**—The Secretary may accept gifts or donations of less than fee interests in any historic property where the acceptance of an interest will facilitate the conservation or preservation of the historic property. Nothing in this section or in any provision of this division shall be construed to affect or impair any other authority of the Secretary under other provision of law to accept or acquire any property for conservation or preservation or for any other purpose.

**§ 307108. Privately donated funds**

(a) PROJECTS FOR WHICH FUNDS MAY BE USED.—In furtherance of the purposes of this division, the Secretary may accept the donation of funds that may be expended by the Secretary for projects to acquire, restore, preserve, or recover data from any property included on the National Register, as long as the project is owned by a State, any unit of local government, or any nonprofit entity.

(b) CONSIDERATION OF FACTORS RESPECTING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In expending the funds, the Secretary shall give due consideration to—

- (A) the national significance of the project;
- (B) its historical value to the community;
- (C) the imminence of its destruction or loss; and
- (D) the expressed intentions of the donor.

(2) FUNDS AVAILABLE WITHOUT REGARD TO MATCHING REQUIREMENTS.—Funds expended under this subsection shall be made available without regard to the matching requirements established by sections 302901 and 302902(b) of this title, but the recipient of the funds shall be permitted to utilize them to match any grants from the Historic Preservation Fund.

(c) TRANSFER OF UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—The Secretary may transfer unobligated funds previously donated to the Secretary for the purposes of the Service, with the consent of the donor, and any funds so transferred shall be used or expended in accordance with this division.



Old Section Name	Old Title 16 Legal Cite	Current Title 54 Legal Cite	
<b>Section 1</b>	16 U.S.C. 470(a)	54 U.S.C. 100101 note. It provides the short title: the "National Historic Preservation Act."	
	16 U.S.C. 470(b)	Not repealed but omitted from the text of title 54. It provides findings for the National Historic Preservation Act. It is still valid law and may be cited as: Section 1 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. No. 89-665, as amended by Pub. L. No. 96-515.	
<b>Section 2</b>	16 U.S.C. 470-1	54 U.S.C. 300101	
<b>Section 101</b>	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(1)(A) (1st sentence)	54 U.S.C. 302101	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(1)(A) (last sentence)	54 U.S.C. 302106	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(1)(B)	54 U.S.C. 302102	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(2)	54 U.S.C. 302103	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(3) through (5)	54 U.S.C. 302104	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(6)	54 U.S.C. 302105	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(7)	54 U.S.C. 302107	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(a)(8)	54 U.S.C. 302108	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(1)	54 U.S.C. 302301	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(2)	54 U.S.C. 302302	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(3)	54 U.S.C. 302303	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(4)	54 U.S.C. 302304	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(5)	Repealed as obsolete. It provided that any State historic preservation program in effect under prior authority of law could be treated as an approved program for purposes of 16 U.S.C. 470a(b) until the earlier of the date on which the Secretary approved a program submitted by the State under 16 U.S.C. 470a(b) or 3 years after December 12, 1992.	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(6)	54 U.S.C. 302304	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(c)(1) (1st sentence)	54 U.S.C. 302502	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(c)(1) (2d, last sentences)	54 U.S.C. 302503	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(c)(2)	54 U.S.C. 302504	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(c)(3)	54 U.S.C. 302505	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(c)(4)	54 U.S.C. 302501	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(1)	54 U.S.C. 302701	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(2)	54 U.S.C. 302702	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(3)	54 U.S.C. 302703	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(4)	54 U.S.C. 302704	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(5)	54 U.S.C. 302705	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(d)(6)	54 U.S.C. 302706	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(1)	54 U.S.C. 302902	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(2)	54 U.S.C. 302903	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(3)(A)	54 U.S.C. 302904	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(3)(B)	54 U.S.C. 302906	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(3)(C)	54 U.S.C. 302904	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(4)	54 U.S.C. 302905	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(5)	54 U.S.C. 302907	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(6)	54 U.S.C. 302908	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(f)	54 U.S.C. 302909	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(g), (h)	54 U.S.C. 306101	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(i)	54 U.S.C. 303902	
	16 U.S.C. 470a(j)	54 U.S.C. 303903	
	<b>Section 102</b>	16 U.S.C. 470b(a) (1st sentence paragraph (1))	54 U.S.C. 302901
		16 U.S.C. 470b(a) (1st sentence paragraphs (2) through (6))	54 U.S.C. 302902
		16 U.S.C. 470b(a) (2d sentence)	54 U.S.C. 302902
16 U.S.C. 470b(a) (last sentence)		54 U.S.C. 302901	
16 U.S.C. 470b(b)		54 U.S.C. 302902	
16 U.S.C. 470b(c)		Previously repealed.	
16 U.S.C. 470b(d) (relating to remaining cost of project)		54 U.S.C. 302902	
16 U.S.C. 470b(d) (relating to availability)		54 U.S.C. 302901	

	16 U.S.C. 470b(e)	54 U.S.C. 302902
<b>Section 103</b>	16 U.S.C. 470c	54 U.S.C. 302902
<b>Section 104</b>	16 U.S.C. 470d	54 U.S.C. 303901
<b>Section 105</b>	16 U.S.C. 470e	54 U.S.C. 302910
<b>Section 106</b>	16 U.S.C. 470f	54 U.S.C. 306108
<b>Section 107</b>	16 U.S.C. 470g	54 U.S.C. 307104
<b>Section 108</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h (1st paragraph)	54 U.S.C. 303101
	16 U.S.C. 470h (last paragraph 1st sentence)	54 U.S.C. 303102
	16 U.S.C. 470h (last paragraph last sentence)	54 U.S.C. 303103
<b>Section 109</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h-1	54 U.S.C. 307108
<b>Section 110</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(a)(1)	54 U.S.C. 306101
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(a)(2)	54 U.S.C. 306102
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(b)	54 U.S.C. 306103
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(c)	54 U.S.C. 306104
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(d)	54 U.S.C. 306105
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(e)	54 U.S.C. 306106
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(f)	54 U.S.C. 306107
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(g)	54 U.S.C. 306109
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(h)	54 U.S.C. 306110
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(i)	54 U.S.C. 306111
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(j)	54 U.S.C. 306112
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(k)	54 U.S.C. 306113
	16 U.S.C. 470h-2(l)	54 U.S.C. 306114
<b>Section 111</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h-3(a), (b)	54 U.S.C. 306121
	16 U.S.C. 470h-3(c)	54 U.S.C. 306122
<b>Section 112</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h-4	54 U.S.C. 306131
<b>Section 113 (Repealed)</b>	16 U.S.C. 470h-5	Repealed as obsolete. It provided that the Secretary study the suitability and feasibility of alternatives for controlling illegal interstate and international traffic in antiquities and not later than 18 months after October 30, 1992, submit to Congress a report detailing the Secretary's findings and recommendations from the study.
<b>Section 201</b>	16 U.S.C. 470i	54 U.S.C. 304101
<b>Section 202</b>	16 U.S.C. 470j	54 U.S.C. 304102
<b>Section 203</b>	16 U.S.C. 470k	54 U.S.C. 304103
<b>Section 204</b>	16 U.S.C. 470l	54 U.S.C. 304104
<b>Section 205</b>	16 U.S.C. 470m	54 U.S.C. 304105
<b>Section 206</b>	16 U.S.C. 470n	54 U.S.C. 304106
<b>Section 207 (Repealed)</b>	16 U.S.C. 470o	Repealed as obsolete. It provided that personnel, property, records, and unexpended balances of funds be transferred by the Department of the Interior to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation within 60 days of the effective date of Public Law 94-422, which was approved on September 28, 1976.
<b>Section 208</b>	16 U.S.C. 470p	54 U.S.C. 304105
<b>Section 209</b>	16 U.S.C. 470q	54 U.S.C. 304105
<b>Section 210</b>	16 U.S.C. 470r	54 U.S.C. 304107
<b>Section 211</b>	16 U.S.C. 470s	54 U.S.C. 304108
<b>Section 212</b>	16 U.S.C. 470t(a) (1st sentence)	54 U.S.C. 304109
	16 U.S.C. 470t(a) (last sentence)	Repealed as unnecessary. It authorized to be appropriated amounts necessary to carry out this part.
	16 U.S.C. 470t(b)	54 U.S.C. 304109
<b>Section 213</b>	16 U.S.C. 470u	54 U.S.C. 304110
<b>Section 214</b>	16 U.S.C. 470v	54 U.S.C. 304108
<b>Section 215</b>	16 U.S.C. 470v-1	54 U.S.C. 304111
<b>Section 216</b>	16 U.S.C. 470v-2	54 U.S.C. 304112
<b>Section 301</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w(1)	54 U.S.C. 300301
	16 U.S.C. 470w(2)	54 U.S.C. 300317
	16 U.S.C. 470w(3)	54 U.S.C. 300310

	16 U.S.C. 470w(4)	54 U.S.C. 300309
	16 U.S.C. 470w(5)	54 U.S.C. 300308
	16 U.S.C. 470w(6)	54 U.S.C. 300311
	16 U.S.C. 470w(7)	54 U.S.C. 300320
	16 U.S.C. 470w(8)	54 U.S.C. 300315
	16 U.S.C. 470w(9)	54 U.S.C. 300304
	16 U.S.C. 470w(10)	54 U.S.C. 300305
	16 U.S.C. 470w(11)	54 U.S.C. 300316
	16 U.S.C. 470w(12)	54 U.S.C. 300318
	16 U.S.C. 470w(13)	54 U.S.C. 300307
	16 U.S.C. 470w(14)	54 U.S.C. 300319
	16 U.S.C. 470w(15)	54 U.S.C. 300302
	16 U.S.C. 470w(16)	54 U.S.C. 300303
	16 U.S.C. 470w(17)	54 U.S.C. 300313
	16 U.S.C. 470w(18)	54 U.S.C. 300314
<b>Section 302</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-1	54 U.S.C. 307106
<b>Section 303</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-2	54 U.S.C. 307107
<b>Section 304</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-3	54 U.S.C. 307103
<b>Section 305</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-4	54 U.S.C. 307105
<b>Section 306</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(a) (1st sentence)	54 U.S.C. 305502
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(a) (last sentence)	54 U.S.C. 305503
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(b)	54 U.S.C. 305502
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(c)	54 U.S.C. 305504
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(d)	Repealed as obsolete. It provided for the renovation of the site on which the National Museum for the Building Arts is located.
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(e)	54 U.S.C. 305505
	16 U.S.C. 470w-5(f)	54 U.S.C. 305501
<b>Section 307</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-6	54 U.S.C. 307102
<b>Section 308</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-7(a)	54 U.S.C. 305102
	16 U.S.C. 470w-7(b)	54 U.S.C. 305103
	16 U.S.C. 470w-7(c)	54 U.S.C. 305104
	16 U.S.C. 470w-7(d)	54 U.S.C. 305105
	16 U.S.C. 470w-7(e)	54 U.S.C. 305101
<b>Section 309</b>	16 U.S.C. 470w-8	54 U.S.C. 305106
<b>Section 401</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x	Not repealed but omitted from the text of title 54. It provides the following findings regarding the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training provisions: "The Congress finds and declares that, given the complexity of technical problems encountered in preserving historic properties and the lack of adequate distribution of technical information to preserve such properties, a national initiative to coordinate and promote research, distribute information, and provide training about preservation skills and technologies would be beneficial." It may be cited as Pub. L. No. 102-175, title XL, § 4022, 106 Stat. 4765 (1992).
<b>Section 402</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-1	54 U.S.C. 305301
<b>Section 403</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-2	54 U.S.C. 305302
<b>Section 404</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-3	54 U.S.C. 305303
<b>Section 405</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-4	54 U.S.C. 305304
<b>Section 406</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-5	54 U.S.C. 305305
<b>Section 407</b>	16 U.S.C. 470x-6	54 U.S.C. 305306

<b>Section 401*</b>	16 U.S.C. 470a-1	54 U.S.C. 307101 (a) through (d). * = These are legislative provisions that were enacted to codify requirements of the World Heritage Convention, and were included among the National Historic Preservation Act Amendments of 1980. However, they were not technically part of the National Historic Preservation Act. Their "Section 401" and "Section 402" numbering in the first column refers to their section numbers under the public law that enacted the 1980 amendments, rather than their numbering for the National Historic Preservation Act itself. However, their "old section" names are included since, particularly in the case of "Section 402," below, those are section names that have been popularly used by practitioners.
<b>Section 402*</b>	16 U.S.C. 470a-2	54 U.S.C. 307101 (e). See "*" notes, above. This is the section that imposes requirements similar to "Section 106" regarding projects outside the United States.