

**§ 272b. Loyalty check on United States personnel**

No person shall serve as representative, delegate, or alternate from the United States until such person has been investigated as to loyalty and security by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

(June 30, 1948, ch. 756, § 3, 62 Stat. 1152; Apr. 5, 1952, ch. 159, § 1, 66 Stat. 43; 1978 Reorg. Plan No. 2, § 102, eff. Jan. 1, 1979, 43 F.R. 36037, 92 Stat. 3784.)

## AMENDMENTS

1952—Act Apr. 5, 1952, substituted “Civil Service Commission” for “Federal Bureau of Investigation”.

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“Director of the Office of Personnel Management” substituted in text for “Civil Service Commission” pursuant to Reorg. Plan No. 2 of 1978, § 102, 43 F.R. 36037, 92 Stat. 3783, set out under section 1101 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, which transferred functions vested by statute in Civil Service Commission to Director of Office of Personnel Management (except as otherwise specified), effective Jan. 1, 1979, as provided by section 1-102 of Ex. Ord. No. 12107, Dec. 28, 1978, 44 F.R. 1055, set out under section 1101 of Title 5.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 5 section 1304.

**§ 273. Pan American Institute of Geography and History; authorization of annual appropriations for membership**

In order to meet the obligations of the United States as a member of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State—

(1) such sums as may be required for the payment by the United States of its share of the expenses of the Institute, as apportioned in accordance with the statutes of the Institute;

(2) such additional sums as may be needed annually for the payment of all necessary expenses incident to participation by the United States in the activities of the Institute; and

(3) the sum of \$386,050 for payment by the United States of its assessed annual contributions for the period beginning July 1, 1964, and extending through the fiscal year expiring June 30, 1969.

(Aug. 2, 1935, ch. 430, § 1, 49 Stat. 512; Aug. 31, 1954, ch. 1154, 68 Stat. 1008; Pub. L. 89-646, Oct. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 893; Pub. L. 91-340, July 17, 1970, 84 Stat. 438; Pub. L. 97-241, title I, § 113, Aug. 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 278.)

## AMENDMENTS

1982—Par. (1). Pub. L. 97-241 struck out “, not to exceed \$200,000 annually,” after “such sums”.

1970—Pub. L. 91-340 increased annual appropriation authorization in par. (1) from \$90,300 to \$200,000, and added par. (3).

1966—Pub. L. 89-646 redesignated as cl. (1) provisions of former cl. (b), increasing the annual appropriation authorization from \$50,000 to \$90,300 and substituted cl. (2) additional annual appropriation authorization for payment of necessary expenses incident to participation by the United States in Institute activities for former cl. (a) appropriation authorization of \$98,775 for payment by the United States of its assessed annual contributions for period beginning July 1, 1951, and extending through fiscal year expiring June 30, 1954.

1954—Act Aug. 31, 1954, appropriated sufficient funds to pay back assessments for years 1951 to 1954, and increased from \$10,000 to \$50,000 the authorized annual contribution.

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Annual appropriations to meet the obligations of membership in various international organizations were contained in acts listed in a note set out under section 269a of this title.

**§ 274. International Council of Scientific Unions and Associated Unions; authorization of annual appropriations for membership**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, in paying the annual share of the United States as an adhering member of the International Council of Scientific Unions and Associated Unions, including the International Astronomical Union, International Union of Chemistry, International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, International Union of Mathematics, International Scientific Radio Union, International Union of Physics, and International Geographical Union, and such other international scientific unions as the Secretary of State may designate, such sum as may be necessary for the payment of such annual share, not to exceed \$100,000 in any one year.

(Aug. 7, 1935, ch. 454, 49 Stat. 540; Pub. L. 85-627, Aug. 14, 1958, 72 Stat. 574; Pub. L. 89-104, Aug. 3, 1965, 79 Stat. 427.)

## AMENDMENTS

1965—Pub. L. 89-104 substituted “\$100,000” for “\$65,000”.

1958—Pub. L. 85-627 substituted “\$65,000” for “\$9,000”.

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Annual appropriations to meet the obligations of membership in various international organizations were contained in acts listed in a note set out under section 269a of this title.

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS BETWEEN 1948 AND 1970

Act June 3, 1948, ch. 400, title I, § 101, 62 Stat. 305, and subsequent Department of State Appropriation Acts through act Dec. 24, 1969, Pub. L. 91-153, title I, § 101, 83 Stat. 404, failed to authorize appropriations for this section. See Annual Appropriations note set out above.

**§ 274a. International biological program****(a) Congressional findings**

The Congress hereby finds and declares that the international biological program, which was established under the auspices of the International Council of Scientific Unions and the International Union of Biological Sciences and is sponsored in the United States by the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Engineering, deals with one of the most crucial situations to face this or any other civilization—the immediate or near potential of mankind to damage, possibly beyond repair, the earth’s ecological system on which all life depends. The Congress further finds and declares that the international biological program provides an immediate and effective means available of meeting this situation, through its stated objectives of increased study and research related to biological productivity and human welfare in a changing world environment.

**(b) Congressional support**

The Congress therefore commends and endorses the international biological program and expresses its support of the United States National Committee and the Interagency Coordinating Committee, which together have the responsibility for planning, coordinating, and carrying out the program in the United States.

**(c) Priority**

In view of the urgency of the problem, the Congress finds and declares that the provision by the United States of adequate financial and other support for the international biological program is a matter of first priority.

(Pub. L. 91-438, §1, Oct. 7, 1970, 84 Stat. 889.)

**§ 274b. Cooperation of Federal and non-Federal departments, agencies, and organizations; transfers of funds****(a) Full cooperation with international biological program**

The Congress calls upon all Federal departments and agencies and other persons and organizations, both public and private, to support and cooperate fully with the international biological program and the activities and goals of the United States National Committee and the Interagency Coordinating Committee.

**(b) Authorization for transfers of funds**

For this purpose, the Congress authorizes and requests all Federal departments and agencies having functions or objectives which coincide with or are related to those of the international biological program to obligate or make appropriate transfers of funds to the program from moneys available for such functions or objectives and provide such other support as may be appropriate.

(Pub. L. 91-438, §2, Oct. 7, 1970, 84 Stat. 889.)

**§ 275. International Hydrographic Bureau**

To enable the United States to become a member of the International Hydrographic Bureau, and for the first annual contribution of the United States toward the creation and maintenance of such bureau, there is hereby appropriated out of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated \$2,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be paid by the Secretary of State when the exact quota shall have been ascertained.

(Mar. 2, 1921, ch. 113, 41 Stat. 1215.)

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Annual appropriations to meet the obligations of membership in various international organizations were contained in acts listed in a note set out under section 269a of this title.

**§ 275a. Permanent International Commission of the Congresses of Navigation; authorization of appropriations**

Not to exceed \$45,000 annually of the funds appropriated for rivers and harbors shall be available for the support and maintenance of the Permanent International Commission of the Congresses of Navigation and for the payment in

amounts approved by the Chief of Engineers of the expenses of the properly accredited delegates of the United States to the meetings of the congresses and of the Commission.

(June 30, 1948, ch. 771, title I, §107, 62 Stat. 1174; Pub. L. 89-298, title III, §306, Oct. 27, 1965, 79 Stat. 1094; Pub. L. 93-251, title I, §93, Mar. 7, 1974, 88 Stat. 39.)

## AMENDMENTS

1974—Pub. L. 93-251 substituted “\$45,000” for “\$22,000”.

1965—Pub. L. 89-298 substituted “\$22,000” for “\$5,000”.

**§§ 276 to 276a-4. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXV, § 2503(d), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-837**

Section 276, acts June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §1, 49 Stat. 425; Feb. 6, 1948, ch. 48, 62 Stat. 19; Pub. L. 85-477, ch. V, §502(b), June 30, 1958, 72 Stat. 272; Pub. L. 87-195, pt. IV, §710(a), Sept. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 465; Pub. L. 87-565, pt. IV, §404, Aug. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 263; Pub. L. 88-633, pt. IV, §401, Oct. 7, 1964, 78 Stat. 1014; Pub. L. 90-137, pt. IV, §402, Nov. 14, 1967, 81 Stat. 463; Pub. L. 92-226, pt. IV, §404, Feb. 7, 1972, 86 Stat. 34; Pub. L. 93-126, §3, Oct. 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 451; Pub. L. 94-141, title II, §204(a), Nov. 29, 1975, 89 Stat. 762; Pub. L. 95-45, §4(d)(1), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 223; Pub. L. 95-426, title VII, §710, Oct. 7, 1978, 92 Stat. 994; Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXV, §2503(b), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-837, authorized appropriations for annual contribution of the United States toward the maintenance of the Bureau of the Interparliamentary Union.

Section 276a, act June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §2, 49 Stat. 426, related to reports to Congress by American group of the Interparliamentary Union.

Section 276a-1, act June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §3, as added Pub. L. 94-141, title II, §204(b), Nov. 29, 1975, 89 Stat. 762; amended Pub. L. 95-45, §4(d)(2), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 223; Pub. L. 103-437, §9(a)(1), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4588, related to appointment of delegates from House of Representatives to the Conference of the Interparliamentary Union and appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Section 276a-2, act June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §4, as added Pub. L. 95-45, §4(d)(3), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 223, related to appointment of delegates from Senate to the Conference of the Interparliamentary Union and appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Section 276a-3, act June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §5, as added Pub. L. 95-45, §4(d)(3), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 223, related to executive secretary of American group of Interparliamentary Union.

Section 276a-4, act June 28, 1935, ch. 322, §6, as added Pub. L. 95-45, §4(d)(3), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 223, related to auditing of accounts of House and Senate delegations to the Interparliamentary Union and finality and conclusiveness of certificate of Chairman.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXV, §2503(d), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-837, provided that: “Unless Congress receives the certification described in subsection (a) [set out below] before October 1, 1999, effective on that date the Act entitled ‘An Act to authorize participation by the United States in the Interparliamentary Union’, approved June 28, 1935 (22 U.S.C. 276-276a-4) is repealed.” [The Secretary of State did not make the required certification.]

## TERMINATION OF UNITED STATES MEMBERSHIP IN BUREAU OF INTERPARLIAMENTARY UNION

Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXV, §2503(a), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-836, provided that: “Unless the Secretary of State certifies to Congress that the United States will be assessed not more than \$500,000 for its annual contribution to the Bureau of the Inter-