

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 50 section 415b.

§ 7303. Diplomatic Telecommunications Service Oversight Board

(a)¹ Oversight Board established

(1) In general

There is hereby established the Diplomatic Telecommunications Service Oversight Board (hereinafter in this chapter referred to as the “Board”) as an instrumentality of the United States with the powers and authorities herein provided.

(2) Status

The Board shall oversee and monitor the operations of DTS-PO and shall be accountable for the duties assigned to DTS-PO under this chapter.

(3) Membership

(A) In general

The Board shall consist of three members as follows:

- (i) The Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.
- (ii) Two members to be appointed by the President.

(B) Chairperson

The chairperson of the Board shall be the Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(C) Terms

Members of the Board appointed by the President shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

(D) Quorum required

A quorum shall consist of all members of the Board and all decisions of the Board shall require a majority vote.

(4) Prohibition on compensation

Members of the Board may not receive additional pay, allowances, or benefits by reason of their service on the Board.

(5) Duties and authorities

The Board shall have the following duties and authorities with respect to DTS-PO:

- (A) To review and approve overall strategies, policies, and goals established by DTS-PO for its activities.
- (B) To review and approve financial plans, budgets, and periodic financing requests developed by DTS-PO.
- (C) To review the overall performance of DTS-PO on a periodic basis, including its work, management activities, and internal controls, and the performance of DTS-PO relative to approved budget plans.
- (D) To require from DTS-PO any reports, documents, and records the Board considers necessary to carry out its oversight responsibilities.
- (E) To evaluate audits of DTS-PO.

(6) Limitation on authority

The CEO shall have the authority, without any prior review or approval by the Board, to

make such determinations as the CEO considers appropriate and take such actions as the CEO considers appropriate with respect to the day-to-day management and operation of DTS-PO and to carry out the reforms of DTS-PO authorized by section 305 of the Admiral James W. Nance and Meg Donovan Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 (section 305 of appendix G of Public Law 106–113).

(Pub. L. 106–567, title III, §323, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2845.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 305 of the Admiral James W. Nance and Meg Donovan Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, referred to in subsec. (a)(6), is section 1000(a)(7) [div. A, title III, §305] of div. B of Pub. L. 106–113, which is set out as a note under section 7301 of this title.

§ 7304. General provisions

(a) Report to Congress

Not later than March 1, 2001, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees of jurisdiction a report which includes the following elements with respect to DTS-PO:

- (1) Clarification of the process for the CEO to report to the Board.
- (2) Details of the CEO’s duties and responsibilities.
- (3) Details of the compensation package for the CEO and other employees of DTS-PO.
- (4) Recommendations to the Overseas Security Policy Board (OSPB) for updates.
- (5) Security standards for information technology.
- (6) The upgrade precedence plan for overseas posts with national security interests.
- (7) A spending plan for the additional funds provided for the operation and improvement of DTS for fiscal year 2001.

(b) Notification requirements

The notification requirements of sections 413a and 415 of title 50 shall apply to DTS-PO and the Board.

(c) Procurement authority of DTS-PO

The procurement authorities of any of the users of DTS shall be available to the DTS-PO.

(d) Definition of appropriate congressional committees of jurisdiction

As used in this chapter, the term “appropriate congressional committees of jurisdiction” means the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on International Relations, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

(e) Statutory construction

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to negate or to reduce the statutory obligations of any United States department or agency head.

(f) Authorization of appropriations for DTS-PO

For each of the fiscal years 2002 through 2006, there are authorized to be appropriated directly

¹ So in original. Section enacted without a subsec. (b).