

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 470h-2 of this title; title 40 section 611.

§ 470v-1. 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 the purposes of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title II, § 215, as added Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title V, § 509(c)(3), Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4157.)

PART C—GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

§ 470w. Definitions

As used in this subchapter, the term—

(1) “Agency” means agency as such term is defined in section 551 of title 5.

(2) “State” means any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and, upon termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of Palau.

(3) “Local government” means a city, county, parish, township, municipality, or borough, or any other general purpose political subdivision of any State.

(4) “Indian tribe” or “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 1602 of title 43, which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

(5) “Historic property” or “historic resource” means any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in, or eligible for inclusion on the National Register, including artifacts, records, and material remains related to such a property or resource.

(6) “National Register” or “Register” means the National Register of Historic Places established under section 470a of this title.

(7) “Undertaking” means a project, activity, or program funded in whole or in part under the direct or indirect jurisdiction of a Federal agency, including—

(A) those carried out by or on behalf of the agency;

(B) those carried out with Federal financial assistance;

(C) those requiring a Federal permit license, or approval; and

(D) those subject to State or local regulation administered pursuant to a delegation or approval by a Federal agency.

(8) “Preservation” or “historic preservation” includes identification, evaluation, re-

cordation, documentation, curation, acquisition, protection, management, rehabilitation, restoration, stabilization, maintenance, research, interpretation, conservation, and education and training regarding the foregoing activities, or any combination of the foregoing activities.

(9) “Cultural park” means a definable area which is distinguished by historic resources and land related to such resources and which constitutes an interpretive, educational, and recreational resource for the public at large.

(10) “Historic conservation district” means an area which contains (A) historic properties, (B) buildings having similar or related architectural characteristics, (C) cultural cohesiveness, or (D) any combination of the foregoing.

(11) “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior acting through the Director of the National Park Service except where otherwise specified.

(12) “State historic preservation review board” means a board, council, commission, or other similar collegial body established as provided in section 470a(b)(1)(B) of this title—

(A) the members of which are appointed by the State Historic Preservation Officer (unless otherwise provided for by State law),

(B) a majority of the members of which are professionals qualified in the following and related disciplines: history, prehistoric and historic archaeology, architectural history, architecture, folklore, cultural anthropology, curation, conservation, and landscape architecture, and

(C) which has the authority to—

(i) review National Register nominations and appeals from nominations;

(ii) review appropriate documentation submitted in conjunction with the Historic Preservation Fund;

(iii) provide general advice and guidance to the State Historic Preservation Officer,¹ and

(iv) perform such other duties as may be appropriate.

(13) “Historic preservation review commission” means a board, council, commission, or other similar collegial body which is established by State or local legislation as provided in section 470a(c)(1)(B) of this title, and the members of which are appointed, unless otherwise provided by State or local legislation, by the chief elected official of the jurisdiction concerned from among—

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

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

¹ So in original. The comma probably should be a semicolon.

(14) “Tribal lands” means—

- (A) all lands within the exterior boundaries of any Indian reservation; and
- (B) all dependent Indian communities.

(15) “Certified local government” means a local government whose local historic preservation program has been certified pursuant to section 470a(c) of this title.

(16) “Council” means the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation established by section 470i of this title.

(17) “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 the State of Hawaii.

(18) “Native Hawaiian organization” means any organization which—

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

The term includes, but is not limited to, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs of the State of Hawaii and Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, an organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Hawaii.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, § 301, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, § 501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3001; amended Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, § 4019(a), Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4763.)

AMENDMENTS

1992—Par. (1). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(1), struck out “, except that in the case of any Federal program exempted under section 470v of this title, the agency administering such program shall not be treated as an agency with respect to such program” after “title 5”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(2), substituted “the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and, upon termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of Palau” for “the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands”.

Par. (4). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(3), amended par. (4) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (4) read as follows: “‘Indian tribe’ means the governing body of any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other group which is recognized as an Indian tribe by the Secretary of the Interior and for which the United States holds land in trust or restricted status for that entity or its members. Such term also includes any Native village corporation, regional corporation, and Native Group established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.”

Par. (5). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(4), substituted “Register, including artifacts, records, and material remains related to such a property or resource.” for “Register; such term includes artifacts, records, and remains which are related to such a district, site, building, structure, or object.”

Par. (7). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(5), amended par. (7) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (7) read as follows: “‘Undertaking’ means any action as described in section 470f of this title.”

Par. (8). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(6), substituted “maintenance, research, interpretation, conservation, and education and training regarding the foregoing activities,” for “maintenance and reconstruction.”

Par. (9). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(7), substituted “definable area” for “definable urban area”.

Par. (10). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(8), substituted “an area” for “an urban area of one or more neighborhoods and”.

Par. (11). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(9), inserted “acting through the Director of the National Park Service” after “of the Interior”.

Par. (12)(B). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(10), substituted “architecture, folklore, cultural anthropology, curation, conservation, and landscape architecture” for “and architecture”.

Par. (13)(A). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(11), substituted “prehistoric and historic archaeology, folklore, cultural anthropology, curation, conservation, and landscape architecture” for “archaeology”.

Pars. (14) to (18). Pub. L. 102-575, § 4019(a)(12), added pars. (14) to (18).

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND MATCHING GRANT ASSISTANCE

Pub. L. 102-381, title I, Oct. 5, 1992, 106 Stat. 1382, provided in part: “That the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands is a State eligible for Historic Preservation Fund matching grant assistance, in fiscal year 1993 and thereafter, as authorized under 16 U.S.C. 470w(2)”.

§ 470w-1. Authorization for expenditure of appropriated funds

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

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, § 302, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, § 501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3002.)

§ 470w-2. Donations and bequests of money, personal property and less than fee interests in historic property

(a) The Secretary is authorized to accept donations and bequests of money and personal property for the purposes of this subchapter and shall hold, use, expend, and administer the same for such purposes.

(b) The Secretary is authorized to accept gifts or donations of less than fee interests in any historic property where the acceptance of such interests will facilitate the conservation or preservation of such properties. Nothing in this section or in any provision of this subchapter 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.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, § 303, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, § 501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3002.)

§ 470w-3. 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 subchapter, after consultation with the Secretary, shall withhold from disclosure to the public, information about the location, character, or ownership of a historic resource if the Secretary and the agency determine that disclosure may—

- (1) cause a significant invasion of privacy;
- (2) risk harm to the historic resources; 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 has determined that information should be withheld from the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary, in consultation with such Federal agency head or official, shall determine who may have access to the information for the purpose of carrying out this subchapter.

(c) Consultation with Council

When the information in question has been developed in the course of an agency's compliance with section 470f or 470h-2(f) of this title, the Secretary shall consult with the Council in reaching determinations under subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, § 304, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, § 501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3002; amended Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, § 4020, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4765.)

AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-575 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The head of any Federal agency, after consultation with the Secretary, shall withhold from disclosure to the public, information relating to the location or character of historic resources whenever the head of the agency or the Secretary determines that the disclosure of such information may create a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction to such resources or to the area or place where such resources are located.”

§ 470w-4. Attorneys' 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 the provisions of this subchapter, if such person substantially prevails in such action, the court may award attorneys' fees, expert witness fees, and other costs of participating in such action, as the court deems reasonable.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, § 305, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, § 501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3002.)

§ 470w-5. National Museum for the Building Arts**(a) Cooperative agreement between Secretary, Administrator of General Services Administration and Committee for National Museum of the Building Arts; purposes**

In order to provide a national center to commemorate and encourage the building arts and to preserve and maintain a nationally significant building which exemplifies the great achievements of the building arts in the United States, the Secretary and the Administrator of the General Services Administration are authorized and directed to enter into a cooperative agreement with 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, for the operation of a National Museum for the Building Arts 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. Such museum shall—

- (1) collect and disseminate information concerning the building arts, including the estab-

lishment 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.

(b) Provisions of cooperative agreement

The cooperative agreement referred to in subsection (a) of this section shall include provisions which—

- (1) make the site available to the Committee referred to in subsection (a) of this section without charge;

- (2) provide, subject to available appropriations, such maintenance, security, information, janitorial and other services as may be necessary to assure the preservation and operation of the site; and

- (3) prescribe reasonable terms and conditions by which the Committee can fulfill its responsibilities under this subchapter.

(c) Matching grants-in-aid to Committee; limitation on amounts

The Secretary is authorized and directed to provide matching grants-in-aid to the Committee referred to in subsection (a) of this section for its programs related to historic preservation. The Committee shall match such grants-in-aid in a manner and with such funds and services as shall be satisfactory to the Secretary, except that no more than \$500,000 may be provided to the Committee in any one fiscal year.

(d) Renovation of site

The renovation of the site shall be carried out by the Administrator with the advice of the Secretary. Such renovation shall, as far as practicable—

- (1) be commenced immediately,

- (2) preserve, enhance, and restore the distinctive and historically authentic architectural character of the site consistent with the needs of a national museum of the building arts and other compatible use, and

- (3) retain the availability of the central court of the building, or portions thereof, for appropriate public activities.

(e) Annual Committee report to Secretary and Administrator

The Committee shall submit an annual report to the Secretary and the Administrator concerning its activities under this section and shall provide the Secretary and the Administrator with such other information as the Secretary may, from time to time, deem necessary or advisable.

(f) “Building arts” defined

For purposes of this section, the term “building arts” includes, but shall not be limited to,

all practical and scholarly aspects of pre-historic, historic, and contemporary architecture, archaeology, 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.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, §306, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, §501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3002.)

§ 470w-6. Effective date of regulations

(a) Effective date of final regulations

Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, no final regulation of the Secretary shall become effective prior to the expiration of thirty calendar days after it is published in the Federal Register during which either or both Houses of Congress are in session.

(b) Repealed. Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title VIII, §814(d)(1)(O), Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4196

(c) Disapproval of regulation by resolution of Congress

Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the regulation shall not become effective if, within ninety 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 therein being appropriately filled.

(d) Failure of Congress to adopt resolution of disapproval of regulation

If at the end of sixty 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 such sixty calendar days, such a committee has reported or been discharged from further consideration of such a resolution, the regulation may go into effect not sooner than ninety calendar days of continuous session of Congress after its promulgation unless disapproved as provided for.

(e) Sessions of Congress

For the 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 three days to a day certain are excluded in the computation of sixty and ninety calendar days of continuous session of Congress.

(f) 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 such regulation.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title III, §307, as added Pub. L. 96-515, title V, §501, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 3004; amended Pub. L. 103-437, §6(d)(29), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4584; Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title VIII, §814(d)(1)(O), (2)(E), Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4196.)

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-333, §814(d)(2)(E), struck out first two sentences which read as follows: "At least thirty days prior to publishing in the Federal Register any proposed regulation required by this subchapter, the Secretary shall transmit a copy of the regulation to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate. The Secretary also shall transmit to such committees a copy of any final regulation prior to its publication in the Federal Register."

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-333, §814(d)(1)(O), struck out subsec. (b) which read as follows: "In the case of an emergency, a final regulation of the Secretary may become effective without regard to the last sentence of subsection (a) of this section if the Secretary notified in writing the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate setting forth the reasons why it is necessary to make the regulation effective prior to the expiration of the thirty-day period."

1994—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted "Natural Resources" for "Interior and Insular Affairs" after "Committee on".

PART D—NATIONAL CENTER FOR PRESERVATION TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING

§ 470x. Findings

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.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §401, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4765.)

§ 470x-1. Definitions

For the purposes of this part—

(1) The term "Board" means the National Preservation Technology and Training Board established pursuant to section 470x-3 of this title.

(2) The term "Center" means the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training established pursuant to section 470x-2 of this title.

(3) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §402, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766.)

§ 470x-2. Establishment of National Center

(a) Establishment

There is hereby 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.