cy goods and services to be used by the Secretary and the State or local governmental agency in the cooperative management of land.

#### (3) Assignment

An assignment arranged by the Secretary under section 3372 of title 5 of a Federal, State, or local employee for work in any Federal, State, or local land or an extension of such an assignment may be for any period of time determined by the Secretary and the State or local agency to be mutually beneficial

(Pub. L. 91–383, §3, Aug. 18, 1970, 84 Stat. 826; Pub. L. 94–458, §1, Oct. 7, 1976, 90 Stat. 1939; Pub. L. 104–333, div. I, title VII, §703, title VIII, §818, Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4185, 4201; Pub. L. 105–391, title VIII, §802(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3522; Pub. L. 106–176, title I, §118, Mar. 10, 2000, 114 Stat. 28.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, referred to in subsec. (g), is act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, 63 Stat. 377, as amended. Except for title III of the Act, which is classified generally to subchapter IV (§251 et seq.) of chapter 4 of Title 41, Public Contracts, the Act was repealed and reenacted by Pub. L. 107–217, §§1, 6(b), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062, 1304, as chapters 1 to 11 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works.

This Act, referred to in subsec. (k)(5)(C), means Pub. L. 91–383, Aug. 18, 1970, 84 Stat. 825, as amended, known as the "National Park System General Authorities Act". As originally enacted, Pub. L. 91–383 contained sections 1 to 4, the first 3 of which enacted sections 1a–1 and 1a–2 and amended sections 1b and 1c of this title. Pub. L. 94–458 amended Pub. L. 91–383 by adding sections 5 to 12, which enacted sections 1a–3 to 1a–7, amended sections 17j, 460n–5, 463, 470a, and 559, and repealed sections 10, 10a, 17b–1, and 415 of this title. Pub. L. 103–322 amended Pub. L. 91–383 by adding section 13, which enacted section 1a–7a of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1970 Amendment note set out under section 1 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

In subsec. (c), "section 5703 of title 5" substituted for "section 5 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 5703)" on authority of Pub. L. 89-554, \$7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, the first section of which enacted Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

"Section 1302 of title 40" substituted in subsec. (k)(4)(A)(ii) for "section 321 of the Act of June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 412, chapter 314; 40 U.S.C. 303b)" on authority of Pub. L. 107-217,  $\S5(c)$ , Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1303, the first section of which enacted Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works.

# AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsecs. (a) to (f). Pub. L. 106-176,  $\S118(2)$ , (3), capitalized the first letter of the first word and substituted a period for the semicolon at end.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 106–176, §118(1), (2), in introductory provisions, capitalized the first letter of the first word and substituted a period for the semicolon after "such exhibits and demonstrations".

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 106-176,  $\S118(2)$ , (3), capitalized the first letter of the first word and substituted a period for the semicolon at end.

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 106–176, §118(2), (4), capitalized the first letter of the first word and substituted a period for "; and" at end.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 106–176, §118(5), realigned margins.

1998—Subsecs. (k), (l). Pub. L. 105–391 added subsecs. (k) and (l)

1996—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 104–333, §703, inserted provisions relating to Glacier Bay and substituted "interpretive demonstrations" for "interpretive demonstrations and park programs".

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 104–333, §818, added subsec. (j). 1976—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 94–458, §1(1), inserted provision requiring Secretary to consider impact on primary natural and historic resources of an area before entering into contracts.

Subsecs. (h), (i). Pub. L. 94-458, \$1(2), added subsecs. (h) and (i).

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relating thereto, to the Department of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see sections 468(b), 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

#### TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory committees in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

# §1a-3. Legislative jurisdiction; relinquishment by Secretary; submittal of proposed agreement to Congressional committees; concurrent legislative jurisdiction

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior may relinquish to a State, or to a Commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States, part of the legislative jurisdiction of the United States over National Park System lands or interests therein in that State, Commonwealth, territory, or possession: Provided, That prior to consummating any such relinquishment, the Secretary shall submit the proposed agreement to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, and shall not finalize such agreement until sixty calendar days after such submission shall have elapsed. Relinquishment of legislative jurisdiction under this section may be accomplished (1) by filing with the Governor (or, if none exists, with the chief executive officer) of the State, Commonwealth, territory, or possession concerned a notice of relinquishment to take effect upon acceptance thereof, or (2) as the laws of the State, Commonwealth, territory, or possession may otherwise provide. The Secretary shall diligently pursue the consummation of arrangements with each State, Commonwealth, territory, or possession within which a unit of the National Park System is located to the end that insofar as practicable the United States shall exercise concurrent legislative jurisdiction within units of the National Park System.

(Pub. L. 91–383, §6, as added Pub. L. 94–458, §2, Oct. 7, 1976, 90 Stat. 1939; amended Pub. L. 103–437, §6(a)(1), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4583.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103–437 substituted "Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives" for "Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Congress".

#### § 1a-4. Uniform allowance

Notwithstanding section 5901(a) of title 5, the uniform allowance for uniformed employees of the National Park Service may be up to \$400 annually.

(Pub. L. 91–383, §7, as added Pub. L. 94–458, §2, Oct. 7, 1976, 90 Stat. 1940.)

# § 1a-5. Additional areas for National Park System (a) General authority

The Secretary of the Interior is directed to investigate, study, and continually monitor the welfare of areas whose resources exhibit qualities of national significance and which may have potential for inclusion in the National Park System. Accompanying the annual listing of areas shall be a synopsis, for each report previously submitted, of the current and changed condition of the resource integrity of the area and other relevant factors, compiled as a result of continual periodic monitoring and embracing the period since the previous such submission or initial report submission one year earlier. The Secretary is also directed to transmit annually to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to the President of the Senate, at the beginning of each fiscal year, a complete and current list of all areas included on the Registry of Natural Landmarks and those areas of national significance listed on the National Register of Historic places which areas exhibit known or anticipated damage or threats to the integrity of their resources, along with notations as to the nature and severity of such damage or threats. Each report and annual listing shall be printed as a House document: Provided, That should adequate supplies of previously printed identical reports remain available, newly submitted identical reports shall be omitted from printing upon the receipt by the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives of a joint letter from the chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives and the chairman of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate indicating such to be the case.

## (b) Studies of areas for potential addition

- (1) At the beginning of each calendar year, along with the annual budget submission, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate a list of areas recommended for study for potential inclusion in the National Park System.
- (2) In developing the list to be submitted under this subsection, the Secretary shall consider—
  - (A) those areas that have the greatest potential to meet the established criteria of national significance, suitability, and feasibility;
  - (B) themes, sites, and resources not already adequately represented in the National Park System; and

- (C) public petition and Congressional resolutions
- (3) No study of the potential of an area for inclusion in the National Park System may be initiated after November 13, 1998, except as provided by specific authorization of an Act of Congress.
- (4) Nothing in this Act shall limit the authority of the National Park Service to conduct preliminary resource assessments, gather data on potential study areas, provide technical and planning assistance, prepare or process nominations for administrative designations, update previous studies, or complete reconnaissance surveys of individual areas requiring a total expenditure of less than \$25,000.
- (5) Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to or to affect or alter the study of any river segment for potential addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system or to apply to or to affect or alter the study of any trail for potential addition to the national trails system.

# (c) Report

- (1) The Secretary shall complete the study for each area for potential inclusion in the National Park System within 3 complete fiscal years following the date on which funds are first made available for such purposes. Each study under this section shall be prepared with appropriate opportunity for public involvement, including at least one public meeting in the vicinity of the area under study, and after reasonable efforts to notify potentially affected landowners and State and local governments.
- (2) In conducting the study, the Secretary shall consider whether the area under study—
  - (A) possesses nationally significant natural or cultural resources and represents one of the most important examples of a particular resource type in the country; and
  - (B) is a suitable and feasible addition to the system.
  - (3) Each study—
  - (A) shall consider the following factors with regard to the area being studied—
    - (i) the rarity and integrity of the resources;
      - (ii) the threats to those resources;
    - (iii) similar resources are already protected in the National Park System or in other public or private ownership;
      - (iv) the public use potential;
    - (v) the interpretive and educational potential;
  - (vi) costs associated with acquisition, development and operation;
  - (vii) the socioeconomic impacts of any designation:
  - (viii) the level of local and general public support; and
  - (ix) whether the area is of appropriate configuration to ensure long-term resource protection and visitor use:
  - (B) shall consider whether direct National Park Service management or alternative protection by other public agencies or the private sector is appropriate for the area;
  - (C) shall identify what alternative or combination of alternatives would in the profes-