

**Editorial Notes****REFERENCES IN TEXT**

“Funds appropriated in this account”, and “this appropriation”, referred to in text, mean funds appropriated under the headings “FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER” and “SALARIES AND EXPENSES” of title IV of the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2004, Pub. L. 108–90.

Section 801 of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996, referred to in text, is section 801 of Pub. L. 104–132, which is set out as a note under section 509 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

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**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

- Pub. L. 108–7, div. J, title I, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 431.
- Pub. L. 107–67, title I, Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 516.
- Pub. L. 106–554, §1(a)(3) [title I], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A–127.
- Pub. L. 106–58, title I, Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 432.
- Pub. L. 105–277, div. A, §101(h) [title I], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–480, 2681–483.
- Pub. L. 105–61, title I, Oct. 10, 1997, 111 Stat. 1276.
- Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(f) [title I], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–314, 3009–317.
- Pub. L. 104–52, title I, Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 470.
- Pub. L. 103–329, title I, Sept. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 2383.

**§ 464e. Short-term medical services for students**

In fiscal year 2004 and thereafter, the Center is authorized to provide short-term medical services for students undergoing training at the Center.

(Pub. L. 108–90, title IV, Oct. 1, 2003, 117 Stat. 1151.)

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- Pub. L. 103–329, title I, Sept. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 2384.
- Pub. L. 103–123, title I, Oct. 28, 1993, 107 Stat. 1228.
- Pub. L. 102–393, title I, Oct. 6, 1992, 106 Stat. 1730.

**§ 465. Joint Interagency Task Force****(a) Establishment**

The Secretary may establish and operate a permanent Joint Interagency Homeland Security

Task Force composed of representatives from military and civilian agencies of the United States Government for the purposes of anticipating terrorist threats against the United States and taking appropriate actions to prevent harm to the United States.

**(b) Structure**

It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary should model the Joint Interagency Homeland Security Task Force on the approach taken by the Joint Interagency Task Forces for drug interdiction at Key West, Florida and Alameda, California, to the maximum extent feasible and appropriate.

(Pub. L. 107–296, title VIII, §885, Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2247.)

**§ 466. Sense of Congress reaffirming the continued importance and applicability of the Posse Comitatus Act****(a) Findings**

Congress finds the following:

(1) Section 1385 of title 18 (commonly known as the “Posse Comitatus Act”) prohibits the use of the Armed Forces as a posse comitatus to execute the laws except in cases and under circumstances expressly authorized by the Constitution or Act of Congress.

(2) Enacted in 1878, the Posse Comitatus Act was expressly intended to prevent United States Marshals, on their own initiative, from calling on the Army for assistance in enforcing Federal law.

(3) The Posse Comitatus Act has served the Nation well in limiting the use of the Armed Forces to enforce the law.

(4) Nevertheless, by its express terms, the Posse Comitatus Act is not a complete barrier to the use of the Armed Forces for a range of domestic purposes, including law enforcement functions, when the use of the Armed Forces is authorized by Act of Congress or the President determines that the use of the Armed Forces is required to fulfill the President’s obligations under the Constitution to respond promptly in time of war, insurrection, or other serious emergency.

(5) Existing laws, including chapter 13 of title 10 (commonly known as the “Insurrection Act”), and the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), grant the President broad powers that may be invoked in the event of domestic emergencies, including an attack against the Nation using weapons of mass destruction, and these laws specifically authorize the President to use the Armed Forces to help restore public order.

**(b) Sense of Congress**

Congress reaffirms the continued importance of section 1385 of title 18, and it is the sense of Congress that nothing in this chapter should be construed to alter the applicability of such section to any use of the Armed Forces as a posse comitatus to execute the laws.

(Pub. L. 107–296, title VIII, §886, Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2248; Pub. L. 115–232, div. A, title XII, §1204(a)(1), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2017.)