

**§ 556d. Advances of public moneys to Forest Service for fighting forest fires in emergency cases**

Advances of money under any appropriation for the Forest Service may be made to the Forest Service and by authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to chiefs of field parties for fighting forest fires in emergency cases and detailed accounts arising under such advances shall be rendered through and by the Department of Agriculture to the Government Accountability Office.

(May 23, 1908, ch. 192, 35 Stat. 259; June 10, 1921, ch. 18, title III, §304, 42 Stat. 24; Pub. L. 92-310, title II, §231(v), June 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 211; Pub. L. 108-271, §8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

**Editorial Notes**

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as a part of the Agricultural Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1909, act May 23, 1908.

Section was formerly classified to section 534 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97-258, §1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

AMENDMENTS

1972—Pub. L. 92-310 struck out provisions which required chiefs of field parties to give bonds.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“Government Accountability Office” substituted in text for “General Accounting Office” pursuant to section 8(b) of Pub. L. 108-271, set out as a note under section 702 of Title 31, Money and Finance, which redesignated the General Accounting Office and any references thereto as the Government Accountability Office. Previously, “General Accounting Office” substituted in text for “Treasury Department” pursuant to act June 10, 1921, which transferred all powers and duties conferred upon Comptroller, six auditors, and certain other officers of the Treasury to General Accounting Office. See section 701 et seq. of Title 31.

**§ 556e. Emergency appropriations for rehabilitation and wildfire suppression**

Beginning in fiscal year 1993, and in each year thereafter, only amounts for emergency rehabilitation and wildfire suppression activities that are in excess of the average of such costs for the previous ten years shall be considered “emergency requirements” pursuant to section 901(b)(2)(D)<sup>1</sup> of title 2, and such amounts shall on and after November 13, 1991, be so designated.

(Pub. L. 102-154, title II, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1015.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 901 of title 2, referred to in text, was amended, and as so amended, section 901(b)(2)(D) no longer refers to “emergency requirements”. However, “emergency requirements” are referred to elsewhere in section 901.

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

**§ 556f. Expenses of student interns**

On and after October 5, 1992, funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service may be used to pay transportation, lodging, and subsistence expenses of student interns, defined as employees who assist scientific, professional, or technical employees and who are bona fide students of accredited colleges or universities who are pursuing courses related to the field in which employed.

(Pub. L. 102-381, title II, Oct. 5, 1992, 106 Stat. 1403.)

**§ 556g. Reimbursement of employee license costs and certification fees**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 1993 and thereafter, appropriations or funds available to the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, may be used to reimburse employees for the cost of State licenses and certification fees pursuant to their employment and that are necessary to comply with State or Federal laws, regulations, or requirements.

(Pub. L. 102-381, title III, §317, Oct. 5, 1992, 106 Stat. 1417.)

**§ 556h. Recognition of private contributors to Forest Service programs**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on and after October 21, 1998, any appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service may be used to disseminate program information to private and public individuals and organizations through the use of nonmonetary items of nominal value and to provide nonmonetary awards of nominal value and to incur necessary expenses for the nonmonetary recognition of private individuals and organizations that make contributions to Forest Service programs.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(e) [title II], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-272.)

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SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to this section were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

- Pub. L. 105-83, title II, Nov. 14, 1997, 111 Stat. 1576.
- Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, §101(d) [title II], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-181, 3009-208.
- Pub. L. 104-134, title I, §101(c) [title II], Apr. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 1321-156, 1321-184; renumbered title I, Pub. L. 104-140, §1(a), May 2, 1996, 110 Stat. 1327.
- Pub. L. 103-332, title II, Sept. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 2524.
- Pub. L. 103-138, title II, Nov. 11, 1993, 107 Stat. 1403.
- Pub. L. 102-381, title II, Oct. 5, 1992, 106 Stat. 1401.
- Pub. L. 102-154, title II, Nov. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1017.
- Pub. L. 101-512, title II, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1942.
- Pub. L. 101-121, title II, Oct. 23, 1989, 103 Stat. 726.

**§ 556i. Transfer of funds made available to Forest Service**

None of the funds made available to the Forest Service in this Act or any other Act with respect to any fiscal year shall be subject to transfer under the provisions of section 2257 of title 7, section 7772 of title 7, or section 8316(b) of title 7.

(Pub. L. 118-42, div. E, title III, Mar. 9, 2024, 138 Stat. 270.)