

**(b) Enforcement powers and proceedings**

(1) For the purpose of enforcing subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may designate any employee of their respective departments, and any State officer or employee authorized under a cooperative agreement to enforce such subsection (a), to (i) carry firearms; (ii) execute and serve any warrant or other process issued by a court or officer of competent jurisdiction; (iii) make arrests without warrant or process for a misdemeanor he has reasonable grounds to believe is being committed in his presence or view; (iv) search without warrant or process any person, place, or conveyance as provided by law; and (v) seize without warrant or process any evidentiary item as provided by law.

(2) Upon the sworn information by a competent person, any United States magistrate judge or court of competent jurisdiction may issue process for the arrest of any person charged with committing any offense under subsection (a) of this section.

(3) Any person charged with committing any offense under subsection (a) of this section may be tried and sentenced by any United States magistrate judge designated for that purpose by the court by which he was appointed, in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as provided for in section 3401 of title 18.

**(c) Seizure and forfeiture**

All guns, traps, nets, and other equipment, vessels, vehicles, and other means of transportation used by any person when engaged in committing an offense under subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to forfeiture to the United States and may be seized and held pending the prosecution of any person arrested for committing such offense. Upon conviction for such offense, such forfeiture may be adjudicated as a penalty in addition to any other provided for committing such offense.

**(d) Applicability of customs laws**

All provisions of law relating to the seizure, forfeiture, and condemnation of a vessel for violation of the customs laws, the disposition of such vessel or the proceeds from the sale thereof, and the remission or mitigation of such forfeitures, shall apply to the seizures and forfeitures incurred, or alleged to have been incurred, under the provisions of this section, insofar as such provisions of law are applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions of this section; except that all powers, rights, and duties conferred or imposed by the customs laws upon any officer or employee of the Department of the Treasury shall, for the purposes of this section, be exercised or performed by the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture, as the case may be, or by such persons as he may designate.

(Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §204, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1372; amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, §312(b)(10), (c), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1354, 1355.)

**Editorial Notes****AMENDMENTS**

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, §312(b)(10), inserted section catchline and headings for subssecs. (a) to (d).

Subsec. (b)(2), (3). Pub. L. 112-81, §312(c), substituted “magistrate judge” for “magistrate”.

**§ 670k. Definitions**

As used in this subchapter—

(1) The term “Administrator” means the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

(2) The term “Chairman” means the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.

(3) The term “off-road vehicle” means any motorized vehicle designed for, or capable of, cross-country travel on or immediately over land, water, sand, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, or other natural terrain; but such term does not include—

(A) any registered motorboat at the option of each State;

(B) any military, fire, emergency, or law enforcement vehicle when used for emergency purposes; and

(C) any vehicle the use of which is expressly authorized by the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture under a permit, lease, license, or contract.

(4) The term “public land” means all lands, under the respective jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Chairman, and the Administrator, except land which is, or hereafter may be, within or designated as—

(A) a military reservation;

(B) a unit of the National Park System;

(C) an area within the national wildlife refuge system;

(D) an Indian reservation; or

(E) an area within an Indian reservation or land held in trust by the United States for an Indian or Indian tribe.

(5) The term “State agency” means the agency or agencies of a State responsible for the administration of the fish and game laws of the State.

(6) The term “conservation and rehabilitation programs” means to utilize those methods and procedures which are necessary to protect, conserve, and enhance wildlife, fish, and game resources to the maximum extent practicable on public lands subject to this subchapter consistent with any overall land use and management plans for the lands involved. Such methods and procedures shall include, but shall not be limited to, all activities associated with scientific resources management such as protection, research, census, law enforcement, habitat management, propagation, live trapping and transplantation, and regulated taking in conformance with the provisions of this subchapter. Nothing in this term shall be construed as diminishing the authority or jurisdiction of the States with respect to the management of resident species of fish, wildlife, or game, except as otherwise provided by law.

(Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §205, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1373; amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, §312(b)(11), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1355.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2011—Pub. L. 112-81 inserted section catchline.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Atomic Energy Commission abolished and functions transferred by sections 5814 and 5841 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. See, also, Transfer of Functions notes set out under those sections.

**§ 670l. Stamp requirements not applicable to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands; authorized fees**

Notwithstanding any other provision in this subchapter, section 670i of this title shall not apply to land which is, or hereafter may be, within or designated as Forest Service land or as Bureau of Land Management land of any State in which all Federal lands therein comprise 60 percent or more of the total area of such State; except that in any such State, any appropriate State agency may agree with the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior, or both, as the case may be, to collect a fee as specified in such agreement at the point of sale of regular licenses to hunt, trap, or fish in such State, the proceeds of which shall be utilized in carrying out conservation and rehabilitation programs implemented under this subchapter in the State concerned and for no other purpose.

(Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §206, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1374; amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, §312(b)(12), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1355.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2011—Pub. L. 112-81 inserted section catchline.

**§ 670m. Indian rights; State or Federal jurisdiction regulating Indian rights**

Nothing in this subchapter shall enlarge or diminish or in any way affect (1) the rights of Indians or Indian tribes to the use of water or natural resources or their rights to fish, trap, or hunt wildlife as secured by statute, agreement, treaty, Executive order, or court decree; or (2) existing State or Federal jurisdiction to regulate those rights either on or off reservations.

(Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §207, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1374; amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, §312(b)(13), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1355.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2011—Pub. L. 112-81 inserted section catchline.

**§ 670n. Repealed. Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, § 312(d), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1355**

Section, Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §208, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1374, related to the jurisdiction, authority, duties, or activities of the Joint Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission.

**§ 670o. Authorization of appropriations****(a) Functions and responsibilities of Secretary of the Interior**

There are authorized to be appropriated \$4,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1998 through 2003, to enable the Secretary of the Interior to carry out his functions and responsibilities under this subchapter, including data collection, research, planning, and conservation and rehabilitation programs on public lands. Such funds shall be in addition to those authorized for wildlife, range, soil, and water management pursuant to section 1748 of title 43, or other provisions of law.

**(b) Functions and responsibilities of Secretary of Agriculture**

There are authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1998 through 2003, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out his functions and responsibilities under this subchapter. Such funds shall be in addition to those provided under other provisions of law. In requesting funds under this subsection the Secretary shall take into account fish and wildlife program needs, including those for projects, identified in the State comprehensive plans as contained in the program developed pursuant to the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1601-1610).

**(c) Use of other conservation or rehabilitation authorities**

The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may each use any authority available to him under other laws relating to fish, wildlife, or plant conservation or rehabilitation for purposes of carrying out the provisions of this subchapter.

**(d) Contract authority**

The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may each make purchases and contracts for property and services from, or provide assistance to, the State agencies concerned, if such property, services or assistance is required to implement those projects and programs carried out on, or of benefit to, Federal lands and identified in the comprehensive plans or cooperative agreements developed under section 670h of this title, without regard to division C (except sections 3302, 3307(e), 3501(b), 3509, 3901, 3905, 3906, 4710, and 4711) of subtitle I of title 41. Contract authority provided in this section is effective only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in appropriation Acts.

(Pub. L. 86-797, title II, §208, formerly §209, as added Pub. L. 93-452, §2, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1374; amended Pub. L. 95-420, §3, Oct. 5, 1978, 92 Stat. 921; Pub. L. 97-396, §5, Dec. 31, 1982, 96 Stat. 2005; Pub. L. 99-561, §1(b), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3149; Pub. L. 100-653, title II, §202(b), Nov. 14, 1988, 102 Stat. 3827; Pub. L. 105-85, div. B, title XXIX, §2914(b), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2023; renumbered §208 and amended Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title III, §312(b)(14), (d), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1355.)