

representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate a report that describes—

“(1) actions taken to solicit and review proposals under section 941c of this title;

“(2) the results of proposals implemented under section 941c of this title; and

“(3) progress toward the accomplishment of the goals specified in section 941d of this title.”

1998—Pub. L. 105-265 amended section generally, substituting present provisions for provisions which had required report not later than 1 year after date of enactment and annually thereafter.

1996—Pub. L. 104-332 made technical amendment to Pub. L. 101-646, §2008, which enacted this section.

### § 941g. Authorization of appropriations

#### (a) Authorization

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Director for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2028—

(1) \$6,000,000 to implement fish and wildlife restoration proposals as selected by the Director under section 941c(e) of this title, of which—

(A) not more than the lesser of 33 1/3 percent or \$2,000,000 may be allocated to implement regional projects by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, as selected by the Director under section 941c(e) of this title; and

(B) the lesser of 3 percent or \$300,000 shall be allocated to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to cover costs incurred in administering the proposals by any entity; and

(2) \$2,000,000, which shall be allocated for the activities of the Upper Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Conservation Offices and the Lower Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office under section 941e of this title.

#### (b) Prohibition on use of funds for Federal acquisition of interests in land

No funds appropriated or used to carry out this chapter may be used for acquisition by the Federal Government of any interest in land.

(Pub. L. 101-537, title I, §1009, Nov. 8, 1990, 104 Stat. 2374; Pub. L. 101-646, title II, §2009, Nov. 29, 1990, 104 Stat. 4778; Pub. L. 104-332, §2(h)(1), (2), Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4091; Pub. L. 105-265, §3(b), 8, Oct. 19, 1998, 112 Stat. 2358, 2361; Pub. L. 109-326, §9, Oct. 11, 2006, 120 Stat. 1766; Pub. L. 114-322, title III, §3901(f), (g), Dec. 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 1850, 1851; Pub. L. 117-287, §2(b), (c), Dec. 27, 2022, 136 Stat. 4363, 4364.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Title I of Pub. L. 101-537 and title II of Pub. L. 101-646 enacted substantially identical provisions of subsec. (a), but Pub. L. 101-537 did not enact a subsec. (b). Title II of Pub. L. 101-646 was repealed by Pub. L. 105-265, §3(b).

##### AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 117-287, §2(b), substituted “2023 through 2028” for “2016 through 2021” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 117-287, §2(c), substituted “3 percent” for “5 percent”.

2016—Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(g), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(f)(1) substituted “2016 through 2021” for “2007 through 2012” in introductory provisions.

Par. (1). Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(f)(2)(A), substituted “\$6,000,000” for “\$14,000,000” in introductory provisions.

Par. (1)(A). Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(f)(2)(B), substituted “\$2,000,000” for “\$4,600,000”.

Par. (1)(B). Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(f)(2)(C), substituted “\$300,000” for “\$700,000”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 114-322, §3901(f)(3), substituted “the activities of the Upper Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Conservation Offices and the Lower Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office under section 941e of this title” for “the activities of the Great Lakes Coordination Office in East Lansing, Michigan, of the Upper Great Lakes Fishery Resources Office, and the Lower Great Lakes Fishery Resources Office under section 941e of this title”.

2006—Pub. L. 109-326 amended section generally, substituting provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 2007 to 2012 for provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 1999 to 2004.

1998—Pub. L. 105-265 amended section generally, substituting provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 1999 to 2004 for provisions authorizing appropriations for fiscal years 1991 to 1994 to conduct a study under section 941c of this title and for fiscal years 1991 to 1995 to establish and operate Great Lakes Coordination and Upper and Lower Great Lakes Fishery Resources Offices.

1996—Pub. L. 104-332 made technical amendment to Pub. L. 101-646, §2009, which enacted this section.

### § 941h. Great Lakes monitoring, assessment, science, and research

#### (a) Definitions

In this section:

##### (1) Director

The term “Director” means the Director of the United States Geological Survey.

##### (2) Great Lakes Basin

The term “Great Lakes Basin” means the air, land, water, and living organisms in the United States within the drainage basin of the Saint Lawrence River at and upstream from the point at which such river and the Great Lakes become the international boundary between Canada and the United States.

#### (b) Findings

Congress finds the following:

(1) The Great Lakes support a diverse ecosystem, on which the vibrant and economically valuable Great Lakes fisheries depend.

(2) To continue successful fisheries management and coordination, as has occurred since signing of the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between the United States and Canada on September 10, 1954, management of the ecosystem and its fisheries require sound, reliable science, and the use of modern scientific technologies.

(3) Fisheries research is necessary to support multi-jurisdictional fishery management decisions and actions regarding recreational and sport fishing, commercial fisheries, tribal harvest, allocation decisions, and fish stocking activities.

(4) President Richard Nixon submitted, and the Congress approved, Reorganization Plan No. 4 (84 Stat. 2090), conferring science activities and management of marine fisheries to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.