

**§ 807. Audits****(a) Contracts with independent public accountant**

The Board shall enter into a contract with an independent public accountant to conduct an annual audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards, of the financial records of the Board and of any corporation established under section 806(i) of this title, and shall ensure that the independent public accountant has access for the purpose of the audit to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Board or such corporation (or any agent of the Board or such corporation) which the independent public accountant reasonably determines to be pertinent to the Congressional Award Program.

**(b) Annual report to Congress on audit results**

Not later than May 15 of each calendar year, the Board shall submit to appropriate officers, committees, and subcommittees of Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States a report on the results of the most recent audit conducted pursuant to this section, and shall include in the report information on any such additional areas as the independent public accountant who conducted the audit determines deserve or require evaluation.

**(c) Review by the Comptroller General of annual audit**

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States shall review each annual audit conducted under subsection (a).

(2) For purposes of a review under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General, or any duly authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Board or such corporation, or any agent of the Board or such corporation, including the independent external auditor designated under subsection (a), which, in the opinion of the Comptroller General, may be pertinent.

(3) Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Comptroller General receives a report under subsection (b), the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report containing the results of the review conducted under paragraph (1) with respect to the preceding year.

(Pub. L. 96-114, title I, §107, formerly §8, Nov. 16, 1979, 93 Stat. 855; Pub. L. 99-161, §4(g), Nov. 25, 1985, 99 Stat. 935; Pub. L. 100-674, §2(e), Nov. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 3998; Pub. L. 101-525, §8, Nov. 6, 1990, 104 Stat. 2308; renumbered title I, §107, Pub. L. 106-533, §1(b)(1), (2), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2553; Pub. L. 113-188, title IX, §902(c)(1), Nov. 26, 2014, 128 Stat. 2021.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113-188 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section related to annual audits and reports by the Comptroller General.

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-525, §8(1), substituted “section 806(i) of this title” for “section 806(h) of this title” and “annually” for “at least biennially”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-525, §8(2), added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) which required audit

to assess adequacy of fiscal control and funds accountability procedures and propriety of expenses.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 101-525, §8(2), struck out subsec. (c) which required the Comptroller General to include in report on first audit performed after Nov. 25, 1985, an evaluation of programs and activities under this chapter and specified contents of such evaluation, and subsec. (d) which directed that report on first audit performed after Nov. 25, 1985, was to be submitted on or before May 15, 1988.

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-674 substituted “section 806(h)” for “section 806(g)”.

1985—Pub. L. 99-161, §4(g)(1), inserted “and evaluation” after “Audits” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-161, §4(g)(2)-(4), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), substituted “shall be audited at least biennially” for “may be audited”, and struck out “at such times as the Comptroller General may determine to be appropriate” after “referred to as the ‘Comptroller General’”.

Subsecs. (b) to (d). Pub. L. 99-161, §4(g)(5), added subsecs. (b) to (d).

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2014 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 113-188 effective Oct. 1, 2014, see section 902(c)(3) of Pub. L. 113-188, set out as a note under section 804 of this title.

**§ 808. Termination**

The Board shall terminate October 1, 2023.

(Pub. L. 96-114, title I, §108, formerly §9, Nov. 16, 1979, 93 Stat. 855; Pub. L. 99-161, §3, Nov. 25, 1985, 99 Stat. 934; Pub. L. 100-674, §2(d), Nov. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 3997; Pub. L. 101-525, §2(a), Nov. 6, 1990, 104 Stat. 2305; Pub. L. 102-457, §3, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2266; Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title V, §5401(b), Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-511; Pub. L. 106-63, §1(d), Oct. 1, 1999, 113 Stat. 510; renumbered title I, §108, Pub. L. 106-533, §1(b)(1), (2), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2553; Pub. L. 109-143, §1(b)(1), Dec. 22, 2005, 119 Stat. 2659; Pub. L. 111-200, §2(h)(1), July 7, 2010, 124 Stat. 1370; Pub. L. 113-43, §2, Oct. 4, 2013, 127 Stat. 554; Pub. L. 115-268, §2(a), Oct. 11, 2018, 132 Stat. 3762.)

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## AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-268 substituted “October 1, 2023” for “October 1, 2018”.

2013—Pub. L. 113-43 substituted “October 1, 2018” for “October 1, 2013”.

2010—Pub. L. 111-200 substituted “October 1, 2013” for “October 1, 2009”.

2005—Pub. L. 109-143 substituted “October 1, 2009” for “October 1, 2004”.

1999—Pub. L. 106-63 substituted “October 1, 2004” for “October 1, 1999”.

1996—Pub. L. 104-208 substituted “1999” for “1995”.

1992—Pub. L. 102-457 substituted “1995” for “1992”.

1990—Pub. L. 101-525 amended section generally, substituting present provision for provisions which had: in subsec. (a) directed that the Board terminate on Nov. 15, 1989; in subsec. (b) provided for alternative termination dates; in subsec. (c) required reports to Congress; in subsecs. (d) and (e) required certification of compliance and verification of information, respectively; and in subsec. (f) mandated dissolution of corporations established by the Board prior to its termination.

1988—Pub. L. 100-674 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The Board shall terminate on November 16, 1988. Upon termination of the Board, the Board shall take such actions

as may be required to provide for the dissolution of any corporation established by the Board under section 806(g) of this title. The Board shall set forth, in its by-laws, the procedures for dissolution to be followed by the Board.”

1985—Pub. L. 99-161 substituted “on November 16, 1988” for “six years after November 16, 1979”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 115-268, §2(b), Oct. 11, 2018, 132 Stat. 3762, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 2018.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 113-43, §3, Oct. 4, 2013, 127 Stat. 554, provided that: “This Act [amending this section and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 801 of this title] shall take effect as of October 1, 2013.”

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111-200, §2(h)(2), July 7, 2010, 124 Stat. 1370, provided that: “This subsection [amending this section] shall take effect as of October 1, 2009.”

##### SAVINGS PROVISION

Pub. L. 109-143, §1(b)(2), Dec. 22, 2005, 119 Stat. 2659, provided that: “During the period of October 1, 2004, through the date of the enactment of this section [Dec. 22, 2005], all actions and functions of the Congressional Award Board under the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) shall have the same effect as though no lapse or termination of the Board ever occurred.”

Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title V, §5401(c), Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009-511, provided that: “During the period of October 1, 1995, through the date of the enactment of this section [Sept. 30, 1996], all actions and functions of the Congressional Award Board under the Congressional Award Act [2 U.S.C. 801 et seq.] shall have the same effect as though no lapse or termination of the Congressional Award Board ever occurred.”

Pub. L. 101-525, §2(b), Nov. 6, 1990, 104 Stat. 2305, provided that: “During the period of October 1, 1990, through the date of the enactment of this section [Nov. 6, 1990], all actions and functions of the Congressional Award Board under the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) shall have the same effect as though no lapse or termination of the Board ever occurred.”

#### SUBCHAPTER II—CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION FOR EXCELLENCE IN ARTS EDUCATION

#### §§ 811 to 817c. Omitted

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Sections were omitted pursuant to section 817b of this title which provided that the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Board terminated 6 years after November 22, 2000.

Section 811, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §202, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2545, related to findings of Congress.

Section 812, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §203, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2546; amended Pub. L. 114-95, title IX, §9215(u), Dec. 10, 2015, 129 Stat. 2171, related to definitions of terms in subchapter.

Section 813, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §204, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2546, related to the establishment of the Board.

Section 814, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §205, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2546, related to the duties of the Board.

Section 815, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §206, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2549, related to

the composition of the Board and the establishment of an Advisory Board.

Section 816, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §207, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2551, related to the administration of the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Awards Program.

Section 817, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §208, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2551, related to limitations on Board’s authority.

Section 817a, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §209, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2552, related to audits.

Section 817b, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §210, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2552, terminated the Board 6 years after Nov. 22, 2000.

Section 817c, Pub. L. 96-114, title II, §211, as added Pub. L. 106-533, §1(a), Nov. 22, 2000, 114 Stat. 2552, related to the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Trust Fund.

#### CHAPTER 19A—JOHN HEINZ COMPETITIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD

##### Sec.

831. John Heinz Competitive Excellence Award.

#### § 831. John Heinz Competitive Excellence Award

##### (a) Establishment

There is hereby established the John Heinz Competitive Excellence Award, which shall be evidenced by a national medal bearing the inscription “John Heinz Competitive Excellence Award”. The medal, to be minted by the United States Mint and provided to the Congress, shall be of such design and bear such additional inscriptions as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, in consultation with the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate, the Speaker and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the family of Senator John Heinz. The medal shall be—

- (1) three inches in diameter; and
- (2) made of bronze obtained from recycled sources.

##### (b) Award categories

###### (1) In general

Two separate awards may be given under this section in each year. One such award may be given to a qualifying individual (including employees of any State or local government, or the Federal Government), and 1 such award may be given to a qualifying organization, institution, or business.

###### (2) Limitation

No award shall be made under this section to an entity in either category described in paragraph (1) in any year if there is no qualified individual, organization, institution, or business recommended under subsection (c) for an award in such category in that year.

##### (c) Qualification criteria for award

###### (1) Selection panel

A selection panel shall be established, comprised of a total of 8 persons, including—

- (A) 2 persons appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate;
- (B) 2 persons appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;
- (C) 2 persons appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
- (D) 2 persons appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.