

(2) Waiver or suspension

The Commission may establish criteria for the partial or total waiver or suspension of any obligation of service or payment incurred by a recipient of a scholarship or fellowship under this section.

(d) Competitive process

Recipients of scholarships or fellowships under this section shall be selected through a competitive process primarily on the basis of academic merit and such other criteria as the Commission may establish, with consideration given to financial need and the goal of promoting the participation of individuals identified in section 1885a or 1885b of this title.

(e) Direct appointment

The Commission may appoint directly, with no further competition, public notice, or consideration of any other potential candidate, an individual who has—

- (1) received a scholarship or fellowship awarded by the Commission under this section; and
- (2) completed the academic program for which the scholarship or fellowship was awarded.

(Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, §243, as added Pub. L. 109-58, title VI, §622(a), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 782.)

§ 2015c. Partnership program with institutions of higher education**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

(1) Hispanic-serving institution

The term “Hispanic-serving institution” has the meaning given the term in section 1101a(a) of title 20.

(2) Historically Black college and university

The term “historically Black college or university” has the meaning given the term “part B institution” in section 1061 of title 20.

(3) Tribal college

The term “Tribal college” has the meaning given the term “tribally controlled college or university” in section 1801(a) of title 25.

(b) Partnership program

The Commission may establish and participate in activities relating to research, mentoring, instruction, and training with institutions of higher education, including Hispanic-serving institutions, historically Black colleges or universities, and Tribal colleges, to strengthen the capacity of the institutions—

- (1) to educate and train students (including present or potential employees of the Commission); and
- (2) to conduct research in the field of science, engineering, or law, or any other field that the Commission determines is important to the work of the Commission.

(Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, §244, as added Pub. L. 109-58, title VI, §651(c)(4)(A), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 802; amended Pub. L. 110-315, title IX, §941(k)(2)(L), Aug. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 3467.)

Editorial Notes**AMENDMENTS**

2008—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 110-315 made technical amendment to reference in original act which appears in text as reference to section 1801(a) of title 25.

§ 2016. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXI, §3152(a)(1), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2042

Section, act Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, §251, as added Aug. 30, 1954, ch. 1073, §1, 68 Stat. 960; amended June 11, 1959, Pub. L. 86-43, 73 Stat. 73; renumbered title I, Oct. 24, 1992, Pub. L. 102-486, title IX, §902(a)(8), 106 Stat. 2944, required Commission to submit to Congress annual report on its activities.

§ 2017. Authorization of appropriations**(a) Congressional authorization**

No appropriation shall be made to the Commission, nor shall the Commission waive charges for the use of materials under the Cooperative Power Reactor Demonstration Program, unless previously authorized by legislation enacted by the Congress.

(b) Accounting

Any Act appropriating funds to the Commission may appropriate specified portions thereof to be accounted for upon the certification of the Commission only.

(c) Restoration or replacement of facilities

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the restoration or replacement of any plant or facility destroyed or otherwise seriously damaged, and the Commission is authorized to use available funds for such purposes.

(d) Substituted construction projects

Funds authorized to be appropriated for any construction project to be used in connection with the development or production of special nuclear material or atomic weapons may be used to start another construction project not otherwise authorized if the substituted construction project is within the limit of cost of the construction project for which substitution is to be made, and the Commission certifies that—

- (1) the substituted project is essential to the common defense and security;
- (2) the substituted project is required by changes in weapon characteristics or weapon logistic operations; and
- (3) the Commission is unable to enter into a contract with any person on terms satisfactory to it to furnish from a privately owned plant or facility the product or services to be provided by the new project.

(Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, §261, as added Aug. 30, 1954, ch. 1073, §1, 68 Stat. 960; amended Pub. L. 85-79, §1, July 3, 1957, 71 Stat. 274; Pub. L. 87-615, §8, Aug. 29, 1962, 76 Stat. 411; Pub. L. 88-72, §107, July 22, 1963, 77 Stat. 88; renumbered title I, Pub. L. 102-486, title IX, §902(a)(8), Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2944.)

Editorial Notes**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in section 19 of act Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724,