

“SEC. 2. Effective October 1, 1984, there is authorized to be appropriated \$150,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act.”

CONSTRUCTION OF NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN ART, CENTER FOR EASTERN ART, AND STRUCTURES FOR RELATED EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Pub. L. 97-203, June 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 129, provided: “That the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution is authorized to construct a building for the National Museum of African Art and a center for Eastern art together with structures for related educational activities in the area south of the original Smithsonian Institution Building adjacent to Independence Avenue at Tenth Street Southwest, in the city of Washington.

“SEC. 2. Effective October 1, 1982, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution \$36,500,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act [this note]. Except for funds obligated or expended for planning, administration, and management expenses, and architectural or other consulting services, no funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be obligated or expended until such time as there is available to such Board, from private donations or from other non-Federal sources, a sum which, when combined with the funds so appropriated, is sufficient to carry out the purposes of this Act.

“SEC. 3. Any portion of the sums appropriated to carry out the purposes of this Act [this note] may be transferred to the General Services Administration which, in consultation with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of the sums so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry out such purposes.”

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION; DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY ADJACENT TO ORIGINAL BUILDING

Pub. L. 96-36, July 20, 1979, 93 Stat. 94, provided: “That the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution is authorized to plan for the development of the area south of the original Smithsonian Institution Building adjacent to Independence Avenue at Tenth Street, Southwest, in the city of Washington.

“SEC. 2. Effective October 1, 1979, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution \$500,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act.

“SEC. 3. Any portion of the sums appropriated to carry out the purposes of this Act may be transferred to the General Services Administration which, in consultation with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of the sums so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry out such purposes.”

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION PLANS FOR AND CONSTRUCTION OF MUSEUM SUPPORT FACILITIES; APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; SITUS; TRANSFER OF LAND; APPROPRIATIONS; CONTRACTS BY GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Pub. L. 94-98, Sept. 19, 1975, 89 Stat. 480, as amended by Pub. L. 95-569, Nov. 2, 1978, 92 Stat. 2444; Pub. L. 108-72, § 2, Aug. 15, 2003, 117 Stat. 888, provided that: “The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution are authorized to prepare plans for, and to construct, museum support facilities to be used for (1) the care, curation, conservation, deposit, preparation, and study of the national collections of scientific, historic, and artistic objects, specimens, and artifacts; (2) the related documentation of such collections of the Smithsonian Institution; and (3) the training of museum conservators. No appropriation shall be made to construct the facilities authorized by this Act until the Committee on Public Works and Transportation of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate, by resolution approve the final plans and specifications of such facilities.

“SEC. 2. The museum support facilities referred to in section 1 shall be located on federally owned land with-

in the metropolitan area of Washington, District of Columbia. Any Federal agency is authorized to transfer land under its jurisdiction to the Smithsonian Institution for such purposes without reimbursement.

“SEC. 3. There is authorized to be appropriated to the Smithsonian Institution \$21,500,000 to carry out this Act (other than section 4). Any portion of the sums appropriated for such purposes may be transferred to the General Services Administration which, in consultation with the Smithsonian Institution, is authorized to enter into contracts and take such other action, to the extent of the sums so transferred to it, as may be necessary to carry out such purposes.

“SEC. 4. Additional space and resources for national collections held by the Smithsonian Institution.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may plan, design, construct, and equip additional special use storage and laboratory space at the museum support facility of the Smithsonian Institution in Suitland, Maryland, to accommodate the care, preservation, conservation, deposit, and study of national collections held in trust by the Institution.

“(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

“(1) \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2003;

“(2) \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2004; and

“(3) such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2008.”

[Amendment of section 3 by Pub. L. 95-569 effective Oct. 1, 1979.]

NATIONAL MUSEUM

The National Museum was not created by any express statutory provision for that purpose. It was first mentioned in an appropriation for postage for “the National Museum in the Smithsonian Institution,” contained in act June 20, 1874, ch. 328, § 1, 18 Stat. 103. An appropriation for a building for the use of the National Museum was made by act Mar. 3, 1879, ch. 182, § 1, 20 Stat. 397, and annual appropriations have continuously been made for expenses of heating, etc., such building.

NATIONAL MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Res. Feb. 28, 1922, ch. 86, 42 Stat. 399, authorized Secretary of State to transfer to custody of Secretary of Institution for safekeeping and exhibition in National Museum the sword of George Washington and the staff of Benjamin Franklin, presented by Samuel T. Washington, and the sword of Andrew Jackson, presented by family of General Robert Armstrong.

TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTY

Quartermaster-General and his officers were required to receive and transport property for National Museum by a provision of act July 5, 1884, ch. 217, 23 Stat. 107.

§ 50a. Gellatly art collection; estimates of sums needed for preservation and maintenance

The Smithsonian Institution is authorized to include in its estimates of appropriations such sums as may be needful for the preservation and maintenance of the John Gellatly art collection. (June 5, 1929, ch. 9, 46 Stat. 5.)

§ 51. Library

The Regents shall make, from the interest of the fund, an appropriation, not exceeding an average of \$25,000 annually, for the gradual formation of a library composed of valuable works pertaining to all departments of human knowledge.

(R.S. § 5587.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. § 5587 derived from act Aug. 10, 1846, ch. 178, § 8, 9 Stat. 105.