

submit to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, a compilation of Federal statutes and programs providing authority for the planning, funding, or operation of transportation projects which might be utilized by the Secretary to carry out the purpose of this chapter. The Secretary shall revise the compilation thereafter as he deems necessary.

(Pub. L. 95-344, title III, §303, Aug. 15, 1978, 92 Stat. 479; Pub. L. 96-88, title V, §509(b), Oct. 17, 1979, 93 Stat. 695; Pub. L. 103-437, §6(d)(18), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4584.)

## AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted “Natural Resources” for “Interior and Insular Affairs” after “Committee on”.

## CHANGE OF NAME

“Secretary of Health and Human Services” substituted for “Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare” in subsec. (a) pursuant to section 509(b) of Pub. L. 96-88, which is classified to section 3508(b) of Title 20, Education.

Committee on Natural Resources of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Resources of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

#### § 2304. Procedures applicable to formulation and implementation of transportation plans and projects developed pursuant to plans

##### (a) Public notice and meeting

The Secretary shall, during the formulation of any transportation plan authorized pursuant to section 2302 of this title—

(1) give public notice of intention to formulate such a plan by publication in the Federal Register and in a newspaper or periodical having general circulation in the vicinity of the affected unit of the national park system;

(2) following such notice hold a public meeting at a location or locations convenient to the affected unit of the National Park System.

##### (b) Notice and opportunity to comment given to State and local governments; report to Congressional committees

Prior to the implementation of any project developed pursuant to the transportation plan formulated pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall—

(1) establish procedures, including but not limited to public meetings, to give State and local governments and the public adequate notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed transportation project; and

(2) submit, when the proposed project would involve an expenditure in excess of \$100,000 in any fiscal year, a detailed report to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives. The Secretary may proceed with the implementation of such plan only after sixty days (not counting days on which the Senate or House of Representatives has adjourned for more than three consecutive days) have elapsed following submission of the plan.

(Pub. L. 95-344, title III, §304, Aug. 15, 1978, 92 Stat. 479; Pub. L. 103-437, §6(d)(18), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4584.)

## AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted “Natural Resources” for “Interior and Insular Affairs” after “Committee on”.

## CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Natural Resources of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Resources of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

#### § 2305. Report to Congress; contents

The Secretary shall submit a report to the Congress within three years of August 15, 1978. The report shall include, but not be limited to, his findings and recommendations regarding—

(a) preservation of natural resource values within units of the National Park System through access alternatives;

(b) effects of transportation projects on communities in close proximity to the units of the National Park System; and

(c) future transportation projects formulated pursuant to this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95-344, title III, §305, Aug. 15, 1978, 92 Stat. 479.)

#### § 2306. Authorization of appropriations; availability of amounts

In carrying out the purposes of this chapter, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 1979; \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 1980; and \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 1981, which shall remain available until expended. In a fiscal year when the amounts actually appropriated are less than the amounts listed above, the authorized but unappropriated amount shall continue to be available for appropriation in succeeding fiscal years.

(Pub. L. 95-344, title III, §306, Aug. 15, 1978, 92 Stat. 480.)

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### § 2401. Congressional findings and declaration of purpose

#### (a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

(1) the Antarctic Treaty and the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora, adopted at the Third Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting, have established a firm foundation for the continuation of international cooperation and the freedom of scientific investigation in Antarctica; and

(2) the study of Antarctic fauna and flora, their adaptation to their rigorous environment, and their interrelationships with that environment has special scientific importance for all mankind.

#### (b) Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the conservation and protection of the fauna and flora of Antarctica, and of the ecosystem upon which such fauna and flora depend, consistent with the Antarctic Treaty, the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora, and Recommendation VII-3 of the Eighth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 2, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2048.)

#### SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 95-541 provided: "That this Act [enacting this chapter, amending section 1971 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse, and enacting a provision set out as a note under section 1971 of title 22] may be cited as the 'Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978'."

### § 2402. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) The term "Agreed Measures" means the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora—

(A) as recommended to the Consultative Parties for approval at the Third Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting; and

(B) as amended from time to time in accordance with Article IX(1) of the Treaty.

(2) The term "Antarctica" means the area south of 60 degrees south latitude.

(3) The term "collect" means to cut, sever, or move, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct.

(4) The term "Director" means the Director of the National Science Foundation or an officer or employee of the Foundation designated by the Director.

(5) The term "foreign person" means—

(A) any individual who is a citizen or national of a foreign nation,

(B) any corporation, partnership, trust, association, or other legal entity existing or organized under the laws of any foreign nation, and

(C) any department, agency, or other instrumentality of any foreign nation and any officer, employee, or agent of any such instrumentality.

(6) The term "native bird" means any member, at any stage of its life cycle (including eggs), of any species of the class Aves which is designated as a native species by the Director under section 2405(b)(1) of this title, and includes any part of any such member.

(7) The term "native mammal" means any member, at any stage of its life cycle, of any species of the class Mammalia, other than any species regulated by the International Whaling Commission, which is designated as a native species by the Director under section 2405(b)(1) of this title, and includes any part of such member.

(8) The term "native plant" means any member of any species of plant at any stage of its life cycle (including seeds) which is designated as such by the Director under section 2405(b)(1) of this title, and includes any part of any such member.

(9) The term "pollutant" means any substance designated as such by the Director under section 2405(b)(6) of this title.

(10) The term "site of special scientific interest" means any area designated as such by the Director under section 2405(b)(3) of this title.

(11) The term "specially protected area" means any area designated as such by the Director under section 2405(b)(4) of this title.

(12) The term "specially protected species" means any species of native mammal or native bird designated as such by the Director under section 2405(b)(5) of this title.

(13) The term "take" means to harass, molest, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, or capture, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct.

(14) The term "Treaty" means the Antarctic Treaty signed in Washington, D.C., on December 1, 1959.

(15) The term "United States" means the several States of the Union, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, including the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands.

(16) The term "United States citizen" means—

(A) any individual who is a citizen or national of the United States;

(B) any corporation, partnership, trust, association, or other legal entity existing or organized under the laws of any of the United States; and

(C) any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the Federal Government or of any State, and any officer, employee, or agent of any such instrumentality.

(Pub. L. 95-541, §3, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2048.)

TERMINATION OF TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

For termination of Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, see note set out preceding section 1681 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

**§ 2403. Prohibited acts**

**(a) In general**

It is unlawful—

(1) for any United States citizen, unless authorized by regulation prescribed under this chapter or a permit issued under section 2404 of this title—

(A) to take within Antarctica any native mammal or native bird,

(B) to collect within any specially protected area any native plant,

(C) to introduce into Antarctica any animal or plant that is not indigenous to Antarctica,

(D) to enter any specially protected area or site of special scientific interest, or

(E) to discharge, or otherwise to dispose of, any pollutant within Antarctica;

(2) for any United States citizen wherever located, or any foreign person while within the United States, unless authorized by regulation prescribed under this chapter or a permit issued under section 2404 of this title—

(A) to possess, sell, offer for sale, deliver, receive, carry, transport, or ship by any means whatsoever, or

(B) to import into the United States, to export from the United States, or to attempt to so import or export,

any native mammal or native bird taken in Antarctica or any native plant collected in any specially protected area;

(3) for any United States citizen wherever located, or any foreign person while within the United States, to violate any regulation prescribed under this chapter; or

(4) for any person, whether or not a United States citizen, to violate any term or condition of any permit issued under section 2404 of this title.

No act described in paragraphs (1) through (4) shall be unlawful if committed, under emergency circumstances, to prevent the loss of human life.

**(b) Exception**

Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to—

(1) any native mammal, native bird, or native plant which is held in captivity on October 28, 1978; or

(2) any offspring of any such mammal, bird, or plant.

With respect to any act prohibited by subsection (a) of this section which occurs after the 180th day after October 28, 1978, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the native mammal, na-

tive bird, or native plant involved in such act was not held in captivity on such date or was not an offspring referred to in paragraph (2).

(Pub. L. 95-541, §4, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2049.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 2404, 2405, 2407, 2408, 2409 of this title.

**§ 2404. Permits**

**(a) In general**

The Director may issue permits which authorize acts otherwise prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title.

**(b) Applications for permits**

(1) Applications for permits under this section shall be made in such manner and form, and shall contain such information, as the Director shall by regulation prescribe.

(2) The Director shall publish notice in the Federal Register of each application which is made for a permit under this section. The notice shall invite the submission by interested parties, within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice, of written data, comments, or views with respect to the application. Information received by the Director as a part of any application shall be available to the public as a matter of public record.

**(c) Action by appropriate Secretaries on certain permit applications**

(1) If the Director receives an application for a permit under this section requesting authority to undertake any action with respect to—

(A) any native mammal which is a marine mammal within the meaning of section 1362(5)<sup>1</sup> of this title;

(B) any native mammal, native bird, or native plant which is an endangered species or threatened species under the Endangered Species<sup>2</sup> Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

(C) any native bird which is protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 701 et seq.);

the Director shall submit a copy of the application to the Secretary of Commerce or to the Secretary of the Interior, as appropriate (hereinafter in this subsection referred to respectively as the "appropriate Secretary").

(2) After receiving a copy of any application from the Director under paragraph (1) the appropriate Secretary shall promptly determine, and notify the Director, whether or not any action proposed in the application also requires a permit or other authorization under any law administered by the appropriate Secretary.

(3) If the appropriate Secretary notifies the Director that any action proposed in the application requires a permit or other authorization under any law administered by the appropriate Secretary, the Director may not issue a permit under this section with respect to such action unless such other required permit or authorization is issued by the appropriate Secretary and a copy thereof is submitted to the Director. The

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

<sup>2</sup> So in original. Should be "Species".

issuance of any permit or other authorization by the appropriate Secretary for the carrying out of any action with respect to any native mammal, native bird, or native plant shall not be deemed to entitle the applicant concerned to the issuance by the Director of a permit under this section.

**(d) Issuance of permits**

As soon as practicable after receiving any application for a permit under this section, or, in the case of any application to which subsection (c) of this section applies, as soon as practicable after the applicable requirements of such subsection are complied with, the Director shall issue, or deny the issuance of, the permit. Within 10 days after the date of the issuance or denial of a permit under this subsection, the Director shall publish notice of the issuance or denial in the Federal Register.

**(e)<sup>3</sup> Terms and conditions of permits**

(1) Each permit issued under this section shall—

(A) if applicable, specify—

(i) the number and species of native mammals, native birds, or native plants to which the permit applies,

(ii) if any such mammal or bird is authorized to be taken, transported, carried, or shipped, the manner (which manner must be determined by the Director to be humane) in which such action must be accomplished and the area in which such taking must occur, and

(iii) if any such plant is authorized to be collected, the location and manner in which it must be collected;

(B) the period during which the permit is valid; and

(C) such other terms and conditions as the Director deems necessary and appropriate to ensure that any act authorized under the permit is carried out in a manner consistent with the purpose of this chapter, the criteria set forth in paragraph (2), if applicable, and the regulations prescribed under this chapter.

(2) The terms and conditions imposed by the Director in any permit issued under this section that authorizes any of the following acts shall be consistent with the following criteria:

(A) Permits authorizing the taking within Antarctica (other than within any specially protected area) of any native mammal or native bird (other than a specially protected species of any such mammal or bird)—

(i) may be issued only for the purpose of providing—

(I) specimens for scientific study or scientific information, or

(II) specimens for museums, zoological gardens, or other educational or cultural institutions or uses; and

(ii) shall ensure, as far as possible, that—

(I) no more native mammals and native birds are taken in any year than can normally be replaced by net natural reproduction in the following breeding season, and

(II) the variety of species and the balance of the natural ecological systems with Antarctica and<sup>4</sup> maintained.

(B) Permits authorizing the taking of specially protected species may be issued only if—

(i) there is a compelling scientific purpose for such taking; and

(ii) the actions allowed under any such permit will not jeopardize any existing natural ecological system, or the survival, of such species.

(C) Permits authorizing the entry into any specially protected area—

(i) may be issued only if—

(I) there is a compelling scientific purpose for such entry which cannot be served elsewhere, and

(II) the actions allowed under any such permit will not jeopardize the natural ecological system existing in such area; and

(ii) shall not allow the operation of any surface vehicle within such area.

(D) Permits authorizing the entry into any site of special scientific interest shall be consistent with the management plan prescribed under section 2405(b)(3) of this title for such site.

**(e)<sup>5</sup> Judicial review**

Any applicant for a permit may obtain judicial review of the terms and conditions of any permit issued by the Director under this section or of the refusal of the Director to issue such a permit. Such review, which shall be pursuant to chapter 7 of title 5, may be initiated by filing a petition for review in the United States district court for the district wherein the applicant for a permit resides, or has his principal place of business, or in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, within 60 days after the date on which such permit is issued or denied.

**(f) Modification, suspension, and revocation**

(1) The Director may modify, suspend, or revoke, in whole or part, any permit issued under this section—

(A) in order to make the permit consistent with any change made after the date of issuance of the permit, to any regulation prescribed under section 2405 of this title;

(B) if there is any change in conditions which makes the permit inconsistent with the purpose of this chapter; or

(C) in any case in which there has been any violation of any term or condition of the permit, any regulation prescribed under this chapter, or any provision of this chapter.

(2) Whenever the Director proposes any modification, suspension, or revocation of a permit under this subsection, the permittee shall be afforded opportunity, after due notice, for a hearing by the Director with respect to such proposed modification, suspension, or revocation. If a hearing is requested, the action proposed by

<sup>4</sup> So in original. Probably should be "are".

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the Director shall not take effect before a decision is issued by him after the hearing, unless the proposed action is taken by the Director to meet an emergency situation. Any action taken by the Director after such a hearing is subject to judicial review on the same basis as is provided for with respect to permit applications under subsection (e) of this section.

(3) Notice of the modification, suspension, or revocation of any permit by the Director shall be published in the Federal Register within 10 days from the date of the Director's decision.

**(g) Permit fees**

The Director may establish and charge fees for processing applications for permits under this section. The amount of such fees shall be commensurate with the administrative costs incurred by the Director in undertaking such processing.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 5, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2050.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 1362(5) of this title, referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(A), was redesignated section 1362(6) by Pub. L. 102-582, title IV, § 401(a), Nov. 2, 1992, 106 Stat. 4909.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(B), is Pub. L. 93-205, Dec. 28, 1973, 87 Stat. 884, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 35 (§ 1531 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1531 of this title and Tables.

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 701 et seq.), referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(C), is act July 3, 1918, ch. 128, 40 Stat. 755, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 703 et seq.) of chapter 7 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 710 of this title and Tables.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 2403, 2405 of this title.

**§ 2405. Regulations**

**(a) In general**

The Director, after consultation with the Secretary of State and other appropriate Federal officials, shall prescribe such regulations as are necessary and appropriate to implement the provisions of this chapter.

**(b) Specific regulations**

The regulations required to be prescribed under subsection (a) of this section shall include, but shall not be limited to, regulations which—

- (1) designate, as native species—
  - (A) each species of the class Aves,
  - (B) each species of the class Mammalia,
 and
  - (C) each species of plant,

which is indigenous to Antarctica or occurs in Antarctica through natural agencies of dispersal;

(2) specify those actions which must, and those actions which must not, be taken within Antarctica in order to protect, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Agreed Measures, members of each native species designated under paragraph (1);

(3) identify, as a site or special scientific interest, each area approved by the United

States in accordance with Recommendation VIII-3 of the Eighth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting as having unique value for scientific investigation and needing protection from interference, and prescribe a management plan for such site which is consistent with any management plan approved by the United States for such site in accordance with such Recommendation;

(4) identify, as a specially protected area, each area designated for special protection under the Agreed Measures because of its outstanding scientific or ecological interest;

(5) designate, as a specially protected species, any native species of mammal or bird which is approved by the United States for special protection under the Agreed Measures;

(6) designate as a pollutant any substance which the Director finds liable, if the substance is introduced into Antarctica, to create hazards to human health, to harm living resources or marine life, to damage amenities, or to interfere with other legitimate uses of Antarctica;

(7) specify those actions which must, and those actions which must not, be taken in order to prevent or control the discharge or other disposal of pollutants, from any source within Antarctica;

(8) designate those animals and plants, not indigenous to Antarctica, which either may, or may not, be introduced into Antarctica, and specify those control measures which must be observed with respect to any such animals or plants which are allowed to be so introduced;

(9) specify the emergency circumstances with respect to which the exclusion set forth in the last sentence of section 2403(a) of this title applies; and

(10) set forth the form, content, and manner of filing, if applicable, of all notices, reports, declarations, or other documentation which may be required incident to the carrying out of any act for which a permit is required under section 2404 of this title.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 6, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2053.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 2402, 2404 of this title.

**§ 2406. Notification of travel to Antarctica**

The Secretary of State shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary and appropriate to implement, with respect to United States citizens, paragraph 5 of Article VII of the Treaty pertaining to the filing of advance notifications of expeditions to, and within, Antarctica. For purposes of this section, the term "United States citizen" shall include any foreign person who organizes within the United States any expedition which will proceed to Antarctica from the United States.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 7, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2054.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2407 of this title.

**§ 2407. Civil penalties**

**(a) Assessment of penalties**

Any person who is found by the Director, after notice and opportunity for a hearing in accord-

ance with subsection (b) of this section, to have committed any act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title or to have violated any regulation prescribed under section 2406 of this title shall be liable to the United States for a civil penalty. The amount of the civil penalty shall not exceed \$5,000 for each violation unless the prohibited act was knowingly committed, in which case the amount of the civil penalty shall not exceed \$10,000 for each violation. Each day of a continuing violation shall constitute a separate offense. The amount of any civil penalty shall be assessed by the Director by written notice. Any civil penalty assessed under this subsection may be remitted or mitigated by the Director.

**(b) Hearings**

Hearings for the assessment of civil penalties under subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with section 554 of title 5. For the purposes of conducting any such hearing, the Director may issue subpoenas for the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of relevant papers, books, and documents, and may administer oaths. Witnesses summoned shall be paid the same fees and mileage that are paid to witnesses in the courts of the United States. In case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena served upon any person pursuant to this subsection, the district court of the United States for any district in which such person is found, resides, or transacts business, upon application by the United States and after notice to such person, shall have jurisdiction to issue an order requiring such person to appear and give testimony before the Director or to appear and produce documents before the Director, or both, and any failure to obey such order of the court may be punished by such court as a contempt thereof.

**(c) Review**

Upon the failure of any person against whom a civil penalty is assessed under subsection (a) of this section to pay such penalty, the Director may request the Attorney General to institute a civil action in a district court of the United States for any district in which such person is found, resides, or transacts business to collect the penalty and such court shall have jurisdiction to hear and decide any such action. The court shall hear such action on the record made before the Director and shall sustain the decision of the Director if it is supported by substantial evidence on the record considered as a whole.

**(d) Penalties under other laws**

The assessment of a civil penalty under subsection (a) of this section for any act shall not be deemed to preclude the assessment of a civil penalty for such act under any other law, including, but not limited to, the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 [16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.], the Endangered Species Act of 1973 [16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.], and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.].

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 8, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2054.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 92-522, Oct. 21, 1972, 86 Stat.

1027, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 31 (§1361 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1361 of this title and Tables.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 93-205, Dec. 28, 1973, 87 Stat. 884, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 35 (§1531 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1531 of this title and Tables.

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act, referred to in subsec. (d), is act July 3, 1918, ch. 128, 40 Stat. 755, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§703 et seq.) of chapter 7 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 710 of this title and Tables.

**§ 2408. Criminal offenses**

**(a) Offenses**

A person is guilty of an offense if he willfully commits any act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title.

**(b) Punishment**

Any offense described in subsection (a) of this section is punishable by a fine of \$10,000, or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

**(c) Offenses under other laws**

A conviction under subsection (a) of this section for any act shall not be deemed to preclude a conviction for such act under any other law, including, but not limited to, the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 [16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.], the Endangered Species Act of 1973 [16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.], and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.].

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 9, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2054.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, referred to in subsec. (c), is Pub. L. 92-522, Oct. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 1027, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 31 (§1361 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1361 of this title and Tables.

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**§ 2409. Enforcement**

**(a) Responsibility**

The provisions of this chapter and of any regulation prescribed, or permit issued, under this chapter shall be enforced by the Director, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of<sup>1</sup> Interior, and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating. The Director and such Secretaries may utilize by agreement, on a reimbursable basis or otherwise, the personnel, services, and facilities of any other Federal agency

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be "of the".

or any State agency in the performance of such duties.

**(b) Powers of authorized officers**

Any officer who is authorized (by the Director, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, or the head of any Federal or State agency which has entered into an agreement with the Director or any such Secretary under subsection (a) of this section) to enforce the provisions of this chapter and of any regulation or permit issued under this chapter may—

(1) secure, execute, and serve any order, warrant, subpoena, or other process, which is issued under the authority of the United States;

(2) search without warrant any person, place, or conveyance where there is reasonable grounds to believe that a person has committed or is attempting to commit an act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title;

(3) seize without warrant any evidentiary item where there is reasonable grounds to believe that a person has committed or is attempting to commit any such act;

(4) offer and pay rewards for services or information which may lead to the apprehension of violators of such provisions;

(5) make inquiries, and administer to, or take from, any person an oath, affirmation, or affidavit, concerning any matter which is related to the enforcement of such provisions;

(6) detain for inspection and inspect any package, crate, or other container, including its contents, and all accompanying documents, upon importation into, or exportation from, the United States; and

(7) make an arrest with or without a warrant with respect to any act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title if such officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be arrested is committing such act in his presence or view, or has committed such act.

**(c) Seizure**

Any property or item seized pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be held by any person authorized by the Director, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating pending the disposition of civil or criminal proceedings, or the institution of an action in rem for forfeiture of such property or item; except that such authorized person may, in lieu of holding such property or item, permit the owner or consignee thereof to post a bond or other satisfactory surety.

**(d) Forfeiture**

(1) Any animal or plant with respect to which an act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title is committed shall be subject to forfeiture to the United States.

(2) All guns, traps, nets, and other equipment, vessels, vehicles, aircraft, and other means of transportation used in the commission of any act prohibited by section 2403(a) of this title shall be subject to forfeiture to the United States.

(3) Upon the forfeiture to the United States of any property or item described in paragraph (1) or (2), or upon the abandonment or waiver of any claim to any such property or item, it shall be disposed of by the Director, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, as the case may be, in such a manner, consistent with the purposes of the chapter, as may be prescribed by regulation; except that no native mammal, native bird, or native plant may be disposed of by sale to the public.

**(e) Application 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 forfeiture, shall apply to the seizures and forfeitures incurred, or alleged to have been incurred, under the provision of this chapter, insofar as such provisions of law are applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter; except that all powers, rights, and duties conferred or imposed by the customs laws upon any officer or employee of the Customs Service may, for the purposes of this chapter, also be exercised or performed by the Director, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, or by such persons as each may designate.

**(f) Regulations**

The Director, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may prescribe such regulations as may be appropriate to enforce the provisions of this chapter and of any regulation prescribed or permit issued under this chapter, and charge reasonable fees for the expenses of the United States incurred in carrying out inspections and in transferring, boarding, handling, or storing native mammals, native birds, native plants, animals and plants not indigenous to Antarctica, and other evidentiary items seized or forfeited under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 10, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2055.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The customs laws, referred to in subsec. (e), are classified generally to Title 19, Customs Duties.

**§ 2410. Jurisdiction of district courts**

The district courts of the United States shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any case or controversy arising under the provisions of this chapter or of any regulation prescribed, or permit issued, under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95-541, § 11, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2056.)

**§ 2411. Federal agency cooperation**

Each Federal department or agency whose activities affect Antarctica shall utilize, to the maximum extent practicable, its authorities in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter, and shall cooperate with the Director in carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95-541, §12, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2056.)

#### § 2412. Relationship to existing treaties

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as contravening or superseding the provisions of any international treaty, convention, or agreement, if such treaty, convention, or agreement is in force with respect to the United States on October 28, 1978, or of any statute which implements any such treaty, convention, or agreement.

(Pub. L. 95-541, §13, Oct. 28, 1978, 92 Stat. 2056.)

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#### CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in section 2465 of this title.

#### § 2431. Findings and purpose

##### (a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

(1) the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources establishes international mechanisms and creates legal obligations necessary for the protection and

conservation of Antarctic marine living resources;

(2) the Convention incorporates an innovative ecosystem approach to the management of Antarctic marine living resources, including standards designed to ensure the health of the individual populations and species and to maintain the health of the Antarctic marine ecosystem as a whole;

(3) the Convention serves important United States environmental and resource management interests;

(4) the Convention represents an important contribution to United States long term legal and political objectives of maintenance of Antarctica as an area of peaceful international cooperation;

(5) United States basic and directed research programs concerning the marine living resources of the Antarctic are essential to achieve the United States goal of effective implementation of the objectives of the Convention; and

(6) the United States has important security, economic, and environmental interests in developing and maintaining a fleet of icebreaking vessels capable of operating effectively in the heavy ice regions of Antarctica.

##### (b) Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to provide the legislative authority necessary to implement, with respect to the United States, the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

(Pub. L. 98-623, title III, §302, Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3398.)

#### SHORT TITLE

Section 301 of title III of Pub. L. 98-623 provided that: "This title [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the 'Antarctic Marine Living Resources Convention Act of 1984'."

#### § 2432. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

##### (1) Antarctic Convergence

The term "Antarctic Convergence" means a line joining the following points along the parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude: 50 degrees south, 0 degrees; 50 degrees south, 30 degrees east; 45 degrees south, 30 degrees east; 45 degrees south, 80 degrees east; 55 degrees south, 80 degrees east; 55 degrees south, 150 degrees east; 60 degrees south, 150 degrees east; 60 degrees south;<sup>1</sup> 50 degrees west; 50 degrees south, 50 degrees west; and 50 degrees south, 0 degrees.

##### (2) Antarctic marine living resources

The term "Antarctic marine living resources" means the population of finfish, molluscs, crustaceans and all other species of living organisms, including birds, found south of the Antarctic Convergence.

##### (3) Commission

The term "Commission" means the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be a comma.