

securities and exchanges and insurance generally transferred from Committee on Energy and Commerce of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Seventh Congress, Jan. 3, 2001.

CHAPTER 63—SUPPORT FOR EAST EUROPEAN DEMOCRACY (SEED)

- Sec.
5401. Support for East European Democracy (SEED) Program.
 (a) SEED Program.
 (b) Objectives of SEED assistance.
 (c) SEED Actions.
5402. Scope of authority.
 (a) General authorization.
 (b) Administration of justice programs.
 (c) “East European country” defined.

SUBCHAPTER I—STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT

5411. Multilateral support for structural adjustment in Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Multilateral assistance for Poland and Hungary.
 (b) Stabilization assistance, debt relief, and agricultural assistance for Poland.
5412. Stabilization assistance for Poland.
 (a) Immediate emergency assistance.
 (b) Immediate, multilateral response to Poland’s economic stabilization needs.
 (c) Additional authority to provide stabilization assistance.
5413. Agricultural assistance.
 (a) Agricultural assistance strategy.
 (b) Agricultural assistance for Poland.
 (c) FY 1990 minimum level of agricultural assistance for Poland.
 (d) Consistency with budget requirements.
5414. Debt-for-equity swaps and other special techniques.
 (a) Reduction of debt burden.
 (b) Authority for discounted sales of debt.
 (c) Condition.

SUBCHAPTER II—PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

5421. Enterprise Funds for Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Purposes.
 (b) Authorization of appropriations.
 (c) Nonapplicability of other laws.
 (d) Designation of Enterprise Funds.
 (e) Grants to Enterprise Funds.
 (f) Eligible programs and projects.
 (g) Matters to be considered by Enterprise Funds.
 (h) Retention of interest.
 (i) Use of United States private venture capital.
 (j) Financial instruments for individual investment in Poland.
 (k) Nonapplicability of other laws.
 (l) Limitation on payments to Enterprise Fund personnel.
 (m) Independent private audits.
 (n) GAO audits.
 (o) Recordkeeping requirements.
 (p) Annual reports.
5422. Labor market transition in Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Technical assistance.
 (b) Types of technical assistance authorized.
 (c) Administrative authorities.
 (d) Consultation with appropriate officers.
 (e) Consultation with labor and business representatives.

- Sec.
5423. Technical training for private sector development in Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Technical training program.
 (b) Participation by Enterprise Funds and other agencies and organizations.
 (c) Nonapplicability of other provisions of law.
 (d) Authorization of appropriations.
 (e) Limitation with respect to Farmer-to-Farmer Program.
5424. Peace Corps programs in Poland and Hungary.
5425. Use of Polish currency generated by agricultural assistance.
 (a) Additional assistance for Poland.
 (b) Emphasis on agricultural development.
 (c) Commodities subject to requirements.
 (d) Other uses not precluded.
5426. United States policy of private financial support for Polish and Hungarian credit unions.
 (a) In general.
 (b) Omitted.
 (c) Definitions.

SUBCHAPTER III—EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL, AND SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

5441. Educational and cultural exchanges and sister institutions programs with Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Educational and cultural exchanges.
 (b) Binational Fulbright commissions.
 (c) Reciprocal cultural centers.
 (d) Sister institutions programs.
 (e) Authorization of appropriations.
5442. Poland-Hungary scholarship partnership.
 (a) Establishment of scholarship program.
 (b) Emphasis on business and economics.
 (c) Grants to States.
 (d) Consultation with States.
 (e) Federal share.
 (f) Non-Federal share.
 (g) Forgiveness of scholarship assistance.
 (h) Private sector participation.
 (i) Funding.
 (j) Restrictions not applicable.
 (k) “State” defined.
5443. Science and technology exchange with Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Agreement with Poland.
 (b) Agreement with Hungary.
 (c) Definition of agreements being funded.

SUBCHAPTER IV—OTHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

5451. Assistance in support of democratic institutions in Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Authorization of assistance.
 (b) Nonapplicability of other laws.
5452. Environmental initiatives for Poland and Hungary.
 (a) Priority for control of pollution.
 (b) EPA activities generally.
 (c) EPA activities in Poland.
 (d) EPA activities in Hungary.
 (e) Funding of EPA activities.
 (f) Department of Energy activities relating to fossil fuels.
 (g) Priority for efficient energy use.
 (h) Alternative investments in energy in Hungary.
5453. Medical supplies, hospital equipment, and medical training for Poland.

Sec.

- (a) Authorization of assistance.
- (b) Nonapplicability of other laws.

SUBCHAPTER V—ADDITIONAL SEED PROGRAM
ACTIONS

- 5461. Policy coordination of SEED Program.
- 5462. SEED Information Center System.
 - (a) Establishment.
 - (b) Functions.
 - (c) Location.
- 5463. Encouraging voluntary assistance for Poland and Hungary.
 - (a) Encouraging private contributions.
 - (b) Transportation to Poland of private contributions.
- 5464. Economic and commercial officers at United States embassies and missions in Poland and Hungary.

SUBCHAPTER VI—REPORTS TO CONGRESS

- 5471. Report on initial steps taken by United States and on Poland's requirement for agricultural assistance.
 - (a) Initial report.
 - (b) Updating assessments.
- 5472. Report on confidence building measures by Poland and Hungary.
- 5473. Report on environmental problems in Poland and Hungary.
- 5474. Annual SEED Program report.
 - (a) Findings.
 - (b) Initial SEED Program report.
 - (c) Annual SEED Program report.
- 5475. Omitted.
- 5476. Notifications to Congress regarding assistance.

SUBCHAPTER VII—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 5491. Suspension of SEED assistance.
- 5492. Declaration of the Republic of Hungary.
 - (a) Findings.
 - (b) Congressional declarations.
- 5493. Administrative expenses of Agency for International Development.
- 5494. Relation of provisions of this chapter to certain provisions of appropriations acts.
- 5495. Certain uses of excess foreign currencies.
 - (a) Authority to use.
 - (b) Purposes for which currency may be used.
 - (c) Currencies which may be used.
 - (d) Where currencies may be used.
 - (e) Nonapplicability of other provisions of law.
 - (f) Requirement for appropriations action.

CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in sections 2152a, 2152c, 2152d, 2295b, 2421d, 6591 of this title.

§ 5401. Support for East European Democracy (SEED) Program

(a) SEED Program

The United States shall implement, beginning in fiscal year 1990, a concerted Program of Support for East European Democracy (which may also be referred to as the "SEED Program"). The SEED Program shall be comprised of diverse undertakings designed to provide cost-effective assistance to those countries of Eastern Europe that have taken substantive steps toward institutionalizing political democracy and economic pluralism.

(b) Objectives of SEED assistance

The President should ensure that the assistance provided to East European countries pursuant to this chapter is designed—

(1) to contribute to the development of democratic institutions and political pluralism characterized by—

(A) the establishment of fully democratic and representative political systems based on free and fair elections,

(B) effective recognition of fundamental liberties and individual freedoms, including freedom of speech, religion, and association,

(C) termination of all laws and regulations which impede the operation of a free press and the formation of political parties,

(D) creation of an independent judiciary, and

(E) establishment of non-partisan military, security, and police forces;

(2) to promote the development of a free market economic system characterized by—

(A) privatization of economic entities,

(B) establishment of full rights to acquire and hold private property, including land and the benefits of contractual relations,

(C) simplification of regulatory controls regarding the establishment and operation of businesses,

(D) dismantlement of all wage and price controls,

(E) removal of trade restrictions, including on both imports and exports,

(F) liberalization of investment and capital, including the repatriation of profits by foreign investors;

(G) tax policies which provide incentives for economic activity and investment,

(H) establishment of rights to own and operate private banks and other financial service firms, as well as unrestricted access to private sources of credit, and

(I) access to a market for stocks, bonds, and other instruments through which individuals may invest in the private sector; and

(3) not to contribute any substantial benefit—

(A) to Communist or other political parties or organizations which are not committed to respect for the democratic process, or

(B) to the defense or security forces of any member country of the Warsaw Pact.

(c) SEED Actions

Assistance and other activities under the SEED Program (which may be referred to as "SEED Actions") shall include activities such as the following:

(1) Leadership in the World Bank and International Monetary Fund

United States leadership in supporting—

(A) loans by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and its affiliated institutions in the World Bank group that are designed to modernize industry, agriculture, and infrastructure, and

(B) International Monetary Fund programs designed to stimulate sound economic growth.

(2) Currency stabilization loans

United States leadership in supporting multilateral agreement to provide government-to-government loans for currency sta-