

(g) Audits by United States Information Agency

The financial transactions of the Endowment for each fiscal year shall be audited by the United States Information Agency under the conditions set forth in subsection (f)(1) of this section.

(h) Recordkeeping requirements; audit and examination of books, etc.

(1) The Endowment shall ensure that each recipient of assistance provided through the Endowment under this subchapter keeps separate bank accounts or separate self-balancing ledger accounts with respect to such assistance and such records as may be reasonably necessary to fully disclose the amount and the disposition by such recipient of the proceeds of such assistance, the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which such assistance is given or used, and the amount and nature of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources, and such other records as will facilitate an effective audit.

(2) The Endowment shall ensure that it, or any of its duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipient that are pertinent to assistance provided through the Endowment under this subchapter. The Comptroller General of the United States or any of his duly authorized representatives shall also have access thereto for such purpose.

(i) Annual report; contents; testimony respecting report

Not later than February 1 of each year, the Endowment shall submit an annual report for the preceding fiscal year to the President for transmittal to the Congress. The report shall include a comprehensive and detailed report of the Endowment's operations, activities, financial condition, and accomplishments under this subchapter and may include such recommendations as the Endowment deems appropriate. The Board members and officers of the Endowment shall be available to testify before appropriate committees of the Congress with respect to such report, the report of any audit made by the Comptroller General pursuant to subsection (f) of this section, or any other matter which any such committee may determine.

(j) Grantee; conflict of interest

After January 31, 1993, no member of the Board of the Endowment may be a member of the board of directors or an officer of any grantee of the National Endowment for Democracy which receives more than 5 percent of the funds of the Endowment for any fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 98-164, title V, § 504, Nov. 22, 1983, 97 Stat. 1040; Pub. L. 99-93, title II, § 210(b), (d), Aug. 16, 1985, 99 Stat. 432; Pub. L. 100-204, title II, § 211, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1376; Pub. L. 102-138, title II, §§ 211(d), 215, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 695, 697; Pub. L. 103-236, title II, § 228, Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 423; Pub. L. 108-271, § 8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 108-271 substituted “Government Accountability Office” for “General Accounting Office” in two places.

1994—Subsec. (h)(1). Pub. L. 103-236 substituted “bank accounts or separate self-balancing ledger accounts” for “accounts”.

1991—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 102-138, § 211(d), substituted “shall” for “may also” before “be audited”.

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 102-138, § 215, added subsec. (j).

1987—Subsec. (h)(1). Pub. L. 100-204 inserted “separate accounts with respect to such assistance and” after “keeps”.

1985—Subsecs. (g) to (i). Pub. L. 99-93 added subsec. (g), redesignated existing subsecs. (g) and (h) as (h) and (i), respectively, and in subsec. (i) substituted “February 1” for “December 31”.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

United States Information Agency (other than Broadcasting Board of Governors and International Broadcasting Bureau) abolished and functions transferred to Secretary of State, see sections 6531 and 6532 of this title.

§ 4414. Requirements relating to the Endowment and its grantees**(a) Partisan politics**

(1) Funds may not be expended, either by the Endowment or by any of its grantees, to finance the campaigns of candidates for public office.

(2) No funds granted by the Endowment may be used to finance activities of the Republican National Committee or the Democratic National Committee.

(3) No grants may be made to any institute, foundation, or organization engaged in partisan activities on behalf of the Republican or Democratic National Committee, on behalf of any candidate for public office, or on behalf of any political party in the United States.

(b) Consultation with Department of State

The Endowment shall consult with the Department of State on any overseas program funded by the Endowment prior to the commencement of the activities of that program.

(Pub. L. 98-164, title V, § 505, as added Pub. L. 99-93, title II, § 210(a), Aug. 16, 1985, 99 Stat. 431.)

§ 4415. Freedom of information**(a) Compliance with Freedom of Information Act**

Notwithstanding the fact that the Endowment is not an agency or establishment of the United States Government, the Endowment shall fully comply with all of the provisions of section 552 of title 5.

(b) Publication in Federal Register

For purposes of complying pursuant to subsection (a) of this section with section 552(a)(1) of such title, the Endowment shall make available to the Director of the United States Information Agency such records and other information as the Director determines may be necessary for such purposes. The Director shall cause such records and other information to be published in the Federal Register.

(c) Review by United States Information Agency

(1) In the event that the Endowment determines not to comply with a request for records under section 552, the Endowment shall submit a report to the Director of the United States Information Agency explaining the reasons for not complying with such request.