title for purposes of sections 620 to 620j of this title and, not later than 18 months after August 20, 1990, submit to the Congress any recommendations they have with respect to such definition. Specifically, the Secretaries shall report on the effects of maintaining 2 size standards under section 620e(B)(ii) and (iii) of this title.


AMENDMENTS
1997—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105–83 redesignated first two sentences as pars. (1) and (2), respectively, and inserted headings, and substituted pars. (3) to (5) for last sentence which read as follows: “Except as otherwise provided in sections 620 to 620j of this title, regulations and guidelines under this subsection shall be issued not later than 9 months after August 20, 1990.”

§620g. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out sections 620 to 620j of this title.


§620h. Savings provision

Nothing in sections 620 to 620j of this title, or regulations issued under sections 620 to 620j of this title, shall be construed to abrogate or affect any timber sale contract entered into before August 20, 1990.


REFERENCES IN TEXT

August 20, 1990, referred to in text, was in the original “the effective date of this title”, which is the date of enactment of title IV of Pub. L. 101–382, approved Aug. 20, 1990, except as otherwise provided in sections 620 to 620j of this title, see section 494 of Pub. L. 101–382, set out as an Effective Date note under section 620 of this title.

§620i. Eastern hardwoods study

(a) Study

The Secretary of Commerce, in conjunction with the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, shall conduct a study of the export from the United States, during the 2-year period beginning on January 1, 1991, of unprocessed hardwood timber harvested from Federal lands or public lands east of the 100th meridian that is exported from Federal lands or public lands east of the 100th meridian. In order to carry out the provisions of this section—

(1) the Secretary of Commerce shall require each person exporting such timber from the United States to declare, in addition to the information normally required in the Shipper’s Export Declarations, the State in which the timber was grown and harvested; and

(2) the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior shall ensure that all hardwood saw timber harvested from Federal lands east of the 100th meridian is marked in such a manner as to make it readily identifiable at all times before its manufacture, and shall take such steps as each Secretary considers appropriate to ensure that such markings are not altered or destroyed before manufacturing.

(b) Report to Congress

Not later than April 1, 1993, the Secretary of Commerce shall submit to the Committees on Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate a report describing the volume and value of unprocessed timber grown and harvested from Federal lands or public lands east of the 100th meridian that is exported from the United States during the 2-year period beginning on January 1, 1991, the country to which such timber is exported, and the State in which such timber was grown and harvested.


AMENDMENTS
1994—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103–437 substituted “Natural Resources” for “Interior and Insular Affairs”.

§620j. Authority of Export Administration Act of 1979

Nothing in sections 620 to 620j of this title shall be construed to—

(1) prejudice the outcome of pending or prospective petitions filed under, or

(2) warrant the exercise of the authority contained in,

section 7 of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2406) with respect to the export of unprocessed timber.


CHAPTER 5—PROTECTION OF FUR SEALS AND OTHER FUR-BEARING ANIMALS

Sec. 631 to 654. Omitted or Repealed.

655. Agents to be disinterested.

656. Agents; administering oaths and taking testimony.

657. 658. Repealed.

659. Sea lions; acts prohibiting killing repealed.

§631. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, acts Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 141, §1, 37 Stat. 736; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, §1, 37 Stat. 736, vested control over fur seal, salmon, and other fisheries in Alaska in Department of the Interior.


Sections were from act Feb. 26, 1944, ch. 65, §§1–17, 58 Stat. 190. Section 631e amended by act Sept. 27, 1950, ch. 1056, 64 Stat. 1071. Sections related to protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals as follows:

631a, Definitions.

631b, Pelagic sealing, sealing, or sea otter hunting in certain waters of North Pacific prohibited; use of ports of United States; importing illegally taken skins.

631c, Natives permitted to carry on pelagic sealing or sea otter hunting.
§ 631d. Killing of seals on Pribilof Islands, other islands, and shores of waters under United States jurisdiction; permission to designated Fish and Wildlife Service officers and employees and Alaskan natives; pelagic sealing in emergencies.

§ 631e. Sale of seal or sea otter skins; deposit of proceeds.

§ 631f. Pribilof Islands a special reservation; landing on islands unlawful; penalties.

§ 631g. Employment of Pribilof Islands natives in killing seals and curing skins.

§ 631h. Depots for and transportation of provisions from mainland to Pribilof Islands; care of natives.

§ 631i. Investigations as to seal life on the Pribilof Islands.

§ 631j. Persons authorized to enforce provisions of seal fisheries law; powers of arrest, search, and seizure; execution of warrants; forfeiture.

§ 631k. Punishment for violation of law; forfeiture.

§ 631l. Duties of collectors of customs regarding importation of skins of fur seal and sea otter.

§ 631m. Seizure of persons or vessels outside of jurisdiction of signatory powers; procedure.

§ 631n. Guard or patrol of waters; composition.

§ 631o. Receipt and disposal of skins by United States.

§ 631p. Killing, capturing, etc., of certain fur-bearing animals for scientific purposes.

§ 631q. Secretary's powers and duties; employment of personnel.

Subject matter is covered by section 1151 et seq. of this title.


Section, act Feb. 26, 1944, ch. 65, § 19, 58 Stat. 104, limited the duration of the provisions of sections 631a–631q of this title which implement the Provisional Fur-Sea Agreement of 1942 to twelve months after the cessation of hostilities of World War II.


Section 632, act Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 373, § 1, 37 Stat. 499, prohibited killing seal or sea otter in certain waters of North Pacific.

Section 633, act Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 373, § 2, 37 Stat. 500, forbade equipping vessels for pelagic sealing or sea-otter hunting and use of ports of United States by such vessels.

Section 634, act Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 373, § 3, 37 Stat. 500, permitted natives to carry on pelagic fishing.

Section 635, act Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 373, § 4, 37 Stat. 500, prohibited importing illegally taken skins, and forfeiture thereof.


Section 648, acts Apr. 21, 1910, ch. 183, § 7, 36 Stat. 328, related to killing female seal or seal less than 1 year old, or killing in waters adjacent to Pribilof Islands or on beaches or cliffs, punishment, and forfeitures.

Section 649, acts Apr. 21, 1910, ch. 183, § 8, 36 Stat. 328, related to punishment for violation of law, and forfeitures.


Termination

Termination of section 650, prior to its specific repeal, was done on authority of former section 643a of
this page when Japan abrogated the treaty on Oct. 23, 1940, eff. Oct. 23, 1941. For termination of other sections giving effect to said treaty, see note under former sections 622 to 644 of this title.

§ 654. Omitted

Codification


§ 655. Agents to be disinterested

The persons charged with the management of the seal fisheries in Alaska, and the performance of such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Secretary of the Interior, shall never be interested directly or indirectly in any lease of the right to take seals, nor in any proceeds or profits thereof either as owner, agent, partner, or otherwise.


Codification


R.S. § 1973 read as follows: “The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to appoint one agent and three assistant agents, who shall be charged with the management of the seal fisheries in Alaska, and the performance of such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Secretary of the Treasury.”

R.S. § 1975 read as follows: “Such agents shall never be interested, directly or indirectly, in any lease of the right to take seals, nor in any proceeds or profits thereof, either as owner, agent, partner, or otherwise.”

Act. Feb. 14, 1903, transferred jurisdiction, supervision and control over the fur seal, salmon and other fisheries of Alaska from Department of the Treasury to Department of Commerce and Labor.

Act. Mar. 4, 1913, changed designation of Department of Commerce and Labor to Department of Commerce and provided that the Secretary thereof should be called the Secretary of Commerce.

Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Reorg. Plan No. II of 1939, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, transferred Bureau of Fisheries in Department of Commerce, and its functions and functions of Secretary of Commerce relating to protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals and supervision of Pribilof Islands and care of natives thereof, to Department of the Interior.

Reorg. Plan No. III of 1940, § 3, eff. June 30, 1940, 5 F.R. 2108, 54 Stat. 1232, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, consolidated Bureau of Fisheries and Bureau of Biological Survey with their respective functions into one agency in Department of the Interior to be known as Fish and Wildlife Service, and abolished office of Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of Fisheries and transferred their functions to the consolidated agency.

Responsibility for Matters Relating to Seals

Bureau of Commercial Fisheries within the Fish and Wildlife Service as responsible for matters relating to commercial fisheries and to seals, see section 742b of this title.

§ 656. Agents; administering oaths and taking testimony

The agents are empowered to administer oaths in all cases relating to the service of the United States, and to take testimony in Alaska for the use of the Government in any matter concerning the public revenue.

(R.S. § 1976.)

Codification


Section, R.S. § 1974; act June 10, 1921, ch. 18, § 304, 42 Stat. 204, related to traveling expenses for persons charged with management of seal fisheries in Alaska.


§ 659. Sea lions; acts prohibiting killing repealed

All Acts and parts of Acts making it unlawful to kill sea lions, as game animals or otherwise, in the waters of the Territory of Alaska are repealed.


Amendments


Transfer of Functions

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§ 1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

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Admission of Alaska as State

Admission of Alaska into the Union was accomplished Jan. 3, 1959, on issuance of Proc. No. 3269, Jan. 3, 1959, 24 F.R. 61, 73 Stat. c16, as required by sections 1 and 8(c) of Pub. L. 85–508, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 358, set out as notes preceding section 21 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.
CHAPTER 5A—PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WILDLIFE

SUBCHAPTER I—GAME, FUR-BEARING ANIMALS, AND FISH

§ 661. Declaration of purpose; cooperation of agencies; surveys and investigations; donations

For the purpose of recognizing the vital contribution of our wildlife resources to the Nation, the increasing public interest and significance thereof due to expansion of our national economy and other factors, and to provide that wildlife conservation shall receive equal consideration and be coordinated with other features of water-resource development programs through the effectual and harmonious planning, development, maintenance, and coordination of wildlife conservation and rehabilitation for the purposes of sections 661 to 666c of this title in the United States, its Territories and possessions, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized (1) to provide assistance to, and cooperate with, Federal, State, and public or private agencies and organizations in the development, protection, rearing, and stocking of all species of wildlife, resources thereof, and their habitat, in controlling losses of the same from disease or other causes, in minimizing damages from overabundant species, in providing public shooting and fishing areas, including easements across public lands for access thereto, and in carrying out other measures necessary to effectuate the purposes of said sections; (2) to make surveys and investigations of the wildlife of the public domain, including lands and waters or interests therein acquired or controlled by any agency of the United States; and (3) to accept donations of land and contributions of funds in furtherance of the purposes of said sections.


AMENDMENTS

1958—Pub. L. 85–624 inserted provisions which relate to recognition of the vital contribution of wildlife resources to the Nation, the increasing public interest and significance thereof, and to equal consideration and coordination of wildlife conservation with other water-resources development programs, and which authorize the Secretary to provide public fishing areas, and to accept donations of lands and contributions of funds.

1946—Act Aug. 14, 1946, amended section generally in order to promote more effectual planning and cooperation between Federal, State, public, and private agencies for the conservation and rehabilitation of wildlife.

SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 85–624 provided: “That the Act of March 10, 1934, as amended, and as further amended by this Act (sections 661 to 666c of this title) may be cited as the ‘Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act.’”

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Enforcement functions of Secretary or other official in Department of the Interior related to compliance with wildlife consultation in sections 661 to 666c of this title and such functions of Secretary or other official in Department of Agriculture, insofar as they involve lands and programs under jurisdiction of that Department, related to compliance with sections 661 to 666c of this title with respect to pre-construction, construction, and initial operation of transportation system for Canadian and Alaskan natural gas transferred to Federal Inspector, Office of Federal Inspector for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System, until first anniversary of date of initial operation of Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System, see Reorg. Plan No. 1 of 1979, §§ 102(e), (f), 203(a), 44 F.R. 33663, 33666, 93 Stat. 1373, 1376, effective July 1, 1979, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. Office of Federal Inspector for the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System abolished and functions and authority vested in Inspector transferred to Secretary of Energy by section 3012(b) of Pub. L. 102–486, set out as an Abolition of Office of Federal Inspector note under section 719e of Title 15, Commerce and Trade. Functions and authority vested in Secretary of Energy subsequently transferred to Federal Coordinator for Alaskan Natural Gas Transportation Projects by section 720d(f) of Title 15.