(1) Institutes of Tropical Forestry

The term “Institutes of Tropical Forestry” means the Institute of Tropical Forestry in Puerto Rico and the Institute of Pacific Islands Forestry established under section 6706 of title 7.

(2) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(3) State

The term “State” means each of the 50 States, Guam, American Samoa, the Republic of Palau (until the Compact of Free Association enters into effect), Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

§ 4504. Administrative provisions

(a) Coordination of activities

The Secretary shall coordinate all activities outside of the United States under this chapter with other Federal officials, departments, agencies, and international organizations, as the President may require.

(b) Assistance

The Secretary may provide assistance, as determined appropriate by the Secretary to carry out this chapter, including technical and financial assistance, equipment, and facilities, without reimbursement.

§ 4505. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

§ 4601. Establishment of Take Pride in America Program

(a) In general

There is hereby established the Take Pride in America Program within the Department of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the “TPIA Program”).

(b) Purposes

The purposes of the TPIA Program shall include the following:

1. To establish and maintain a public awareness campaign in cooperation with public and private organizations and individuals—
   a. To instill in the public the importance of the appropriate use of, and appreciation for Federal, State, and local lands, facilities, and natural and cultural resources;
   b. To encourage an attitude of stewardship and responsibility toward these lands, facilities, and resources; and
   c. To promote participation by individuals, organizations, and communities of a conservation ethic in caring for these lands, facilities, and resources.

2. To conduct a national awards program to honor those individuals and entities which, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior (hereafter in this chapter referred to as the “Secretary”), have distinguished themselves in the activities described in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

§ 4602. Gifts and bequests

(a) Authority

The Secretary may solicit, accept, hold, administer, invest in government securities, and use gifts and bequests of money and other personal property to aid or facilitate the purposes of the TPIA Program. Property so donated and accepted shall not be subject to sequestration.

(b) Accounting

The Secretary shall maintain a full accounting of such gifts and bequests.

(c) Treatment of donations, etc.

For purposes of Federal law, property accepted pursuant to this section shall be considered as a gift, bequest, or devise to the United States.

(d) Use of property

Any property and the proceeds thereof shall be used as nearly as practicable in accordance with the terms of the gift or bequest.

§ 4603. Administrative services

The Secretary of the Interior shall provide such facilities, administrative services, person-
§ 4604. Volunteers

(a) Authority to use volunteers

The Secretary is authorized to recruit, train, and accept the services of individuals or entities, without compensation, as volunteers for or in aid of the purposes of the TPIA Program, without regard to the provisions of title 5, that govern appointments in the competitive service, and the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, that relate to classification and General Schedule pay rates.

(b) Incidental expenses

The Secretary is authorized to provide for the incidental expenses of such volunteers, such as transportation, uniforms, lodging, or subsistence.

(c) Volunteers' status as Federal employees

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a volunteer shall not be deemed a Federal employee and shall not be subject to the provisions of law relating to Federal employment, including those provisions relating to hours of work, rates of compensation, leave, unemployment compensation, and Federal employee benefits.

(2) For purposes of chapter 171 of title 28 (commonly referred to as the "Federal Tort Claims Act"), a volunteer under this subsection shall be considered an employee of the government (as defined in section 2671 of such title).

(3) For purposes of subchapter I of chapter 81 of title 5, relating to compensation for work injuries, a volunteer under this subsection shall be considered an employee (as defined in section 8101 of title 5).

§ 4605. Authority to execute contracts

The Secretary is authorized to enter into contracts and cooperative agreements and generally to do any and all lawful acts necessary or appropriate to further the purposes of the TPIA Program.

§ 4606. Distribution of appropriate items

The Secretary is authorized to distribute pamphlets and other such appropriate items in order to promote the purposes of the TPIA Program.

§ 4607. Slogan and logo

The "Take Pride in America" slogan and logo, which are registered by the Department of the Interior, and the goodwill associated with such slogan and logo, shall be administered pursuant to the TPIA Program.