

Public Law 91-224

AN ACT

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, and for other purposes.

April 3, 1970
[H. R. 4148]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Federal Water
Pollution Control
Act, amendments.

TITLE I—WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

SEC. 101. This title may be cited as the "Water Quality Improvement Act of 1970".

SEC. 102. Existing sections 17 and 18 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, are hereby repealed. Section 19 of such Act is redesignated as section 27. Sections 11 through 16 of such Act are redesignated as sections 21 through 26, respectively. Such Act is further amended by inserting after section 10 the following new sections:

"CONTROL OF POLLUTION BY OIL

"SEC. 11. (a) For the purpose of this section, the term—

"(1) 'oil' means oil of any kind or in any form, including, but not limited to, petroleum, fuel oil, sludge, oil refuse, and oil mixed with wastes other than dredged spoil;

"(2) 'discharge' includes, but is not limited to, any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying or dumping;

"(3) 'vessel' means every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on water other than a public vessel;

"(4) 'public vessel' means a vessel owned or bare-boat chartered and operated by the United States, or by a State or political subdivision thereof, or by a foreign nation, except when such vessel is engaged in commerce;

"(5) 'United States' means the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;

"(6) 'owner or operator' means (A) in the case of a vessel, any person owning, operating, or chartering by demise, such vessel, and (B) in the case of an onshore facility, and an offshore facility, any person owning or operating such onshore facility or offshore facility, and (C) in the case of any abandoned offshore facility, the person who owned or operated such facility immediately prior to such abandonment;

"(7) 'person' includes an individual, firm, corporation, association, and a partnership.

"(8) 'remove' or 'removal' refers to removal of the oil from the water and shorelines or the taking of such other actions as may be necessary to minimize or mitigate damage to the public health or welfare, including, but not limited to, fish, shellfish, wildlife, and public and private property, shorelines, and beaches;

"(9) 'contiguous zone' means the entire zone established or to be established by the United States under article 24 of the Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone;

"(10) 'onshore facility' means any facility (including, but not limited to, motor vehicles and rolling stock) of any kind located in, on, or under, any land within the United States other than submerged land;

Citation of
title.

Repeal.

80 Stat. 1252.

33 USC 466m,

466n.

33 USC 466

note.

70 Stat. 506;

79 Stat. 903.

33 USC 466h-1
466l.

Definitions.

15 UST 1606.

“(11) ‘offshore facility’ means any facility of any kind located in, on, or under, any of the navigable waters of the United States other than a vessel or a public vessel;

“(12) ‘act of God’ means an act occasioned by an unanticipated grave natural disaster;

“(13) ‘barrel’ means 42 United States gallons at 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

“(b) (1) The Congress hereby declares that it is the policy of the United States that there should be no discharges of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States, adjoining shorelines, or into or upon the waters of the contiguous zone.

“(2) The discharge of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States, adjoining shorelines, or into or upon the waters of the contiguous zone in harmful quantities as determined by the President under paragraph (3) of this subsection, is prohibited, except (A) in the case of such discharges into the waters of the contiguous zone, where permitted under article IV of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, as amended, and (B) where permitted in quantities and at times and locations or under such circumstances or conditions as the President may, by regulation, determine not to be harmful. Any regulations issued under this subsection shall be consistent with maritime safety and with marine and navigation laws and regulations and applicable water quality standards.

“(3) The President shall, by regulation, to be issued as soon as possible after the date of enactment of this paragraph, determine for the purposes of this section, those quantities of oil the discharge of which, at such times, locations, circumstances, and conditions, will be harmful to the public health or welfare of the United States, including, but not limited to, fish, shellfish, wildlife, and public and private property, shorelines, and beaches, except that in the case of the discharge of oil into or upon the waters of the contiguous zone, only those discharges which threaten the fishery resources of the contiguous zone or threaten to pollute or contribute to the pollution of the territory or the territorial sea of the United States may be determined to be harmful.

“(4) Any person in charge of a vessel or of an onshore facility or an offshore facility shall, as soon as he has knowledge of any discharge of oil from such vessel or facility in violation of paragraph (2) of this subsection, immediately notify the appropriate agency of the United States Government of such discharge. Any such person who fails to notify immediately such agency of such discharge shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both. Notification received pursuant to this paragraph or information obtained by the exploitation of such notification shall not be used against any such person in any criminal case, except a prosecution for perjury or for giving a false statement.

“(5) Any owner or operator of any vessel, onshore facility, or offshore facility from which oil is knowingly discharged in violation of paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be assessed a civil penalty by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating of not more than \$10,000 for each offense. No penalty shall be assessed unless the owner or operator charged shall have been given notice and opportunity for a hearing on such charge. Each violation is a separate offense. Any such civil penalty may be compromised by such Secretary. In determining the amount of the penalty, or the amount agreed upon in compromise, the appropriateness of such penalty to the size of the business of the owner or operator charged, the effect on the owner or operator’s ability to continue in business, and the gravity of the violation, shall be considered by such Secretary. The Secretary of the

12 UST 2994.

Harmful oil discharges, Presidential determination.

Penalty.

Penalty.

Treasury shall withhold at the request of such Secretary the clearance required by section 4197 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended (46 U.S.C. 91), of any vessel the owner or operator of which is subject to the foregoing penalty. Clearance may be granted in such cases upon the filing of a bond or other surety satisfactory to such Secretary.

“(c) (1) Whenever any oil is discharged, into or upon the navigable waters of the United States, adjoining shorelines, or into or upon the waters of the contiguous zone, the President is authorized to act to remove or arrange for the removal of such oil at any time, unless he determines such removal will be done properly by the owner or operator of the vessel, onshore facility, or offshore facility from which the discharge occurs.

Removal.

“(2) Within sixty days after the effective date of this section, the President shall prepare and publish a National Contingency Plan for removal of oil pursuant to this subsection. Such National Contingency Plan shall provide for efficient, coordinated, and effective action to minimize damage from oil discharges, including containment, dispersal, and removal of oil, and shall include, but not be limited to—

National Contingency Plan.

“(A) assignment of duties and responsibilities among Federal departments and agencies in coordination with State and local agencies, including, but not limited to, water pollution control, conservation, and port authorities;

“(B) identification, procurement, maintenance, and storage of equipment and supplies;

“(C) establishment or designation of a strike force consisting of personnel who shall be trained, prepared, and available to provide necessary services to carry out the Plan, including the establishment at major ports, to be determined by the President, of emergency task forces of trained personnel, adequate oil pollution control equipment and material, and a detailed oil pollution prevention and removal plan;

“(D) a system of surveillance and notice designed to insure earliest possible notice of discharges of oil to the appropriate Federal agency;

“(E) establishment of a national center to provide coordination and direction for operations in carrying out the Plan;

“(F) procedures and techniques to be employed in identifying, containing, dispersing, and removing oil; and

“(G) a schedule, prepared in cooperation with the States, identifying (i) dispersants and other chemicals, if any, that may be used in carrying out the Plan, (ii) the waters in which such dispersants and chemicals may be used, and (iii) the quantities of such dispersant or chemical which can be used safely in such waters, which schedule shall provide in the case of any dispersant, chemical, or waters not specifically identified in such schedule that the President, or his delegate, may, on a case-by-case basis, identify the dispersants and other chemicals which may be used, the waters in which they may be used, and the quantities which can be used safely in such waters.

The President may, from time to time, as he deems advisable, revise or otherwise amend the National Contingency Plan. After publication of the National Contingency Plan, the removal of oil and actions to minimize damage from oil discharges shall, to the greatest extent possible, be in accordance with the National Contingency Plan.

“(d) Whenever a marine disaster in or upon the navigable waters of the United States has created a substantial threat of a pollution hazard to the public health or welfare of the United States, including, but not

limited to, fish, shellfish, and wildlife and the public and private shorelines and beaches of the United States, because of a discharge, or an imminent discharge, of large quantities of oil from a vessel the United States may (A) coordinate and direct all public and private efforts directed at the removal or elimination of such threat; and (B) summarily remove, and, if necessary, destroy such vessel by whatever means are available without regard to any provision of law governing the employment of personnel or the expenditure of appropriated funds. Any expense incurred under this subsection shall be a cost incurred by the United States Government for the purposes of subsection (f) in the removal of oil.

“(e) In addition to any other action taken by a State or local government, when the President determines there is an imminent and substantial threat to the public health or welfare of the United States, including, but not limited to, fish, shellfish, and wildlife and public and private property, shorelines, and beaches within the United States, because of an actual or threatened discharge of oil into or upon the navigable waters of the United States from an onshore or offshore facility, the President may require the United States attorney of the district in which the threat occurs to secure such relief as may be necessary to abate such threat, and the district courts of the United States shall have jurisdiction to grant such relief as the public interest and the equities of the case may require.

Liability.

“(f)(1) Except where an owner or operator can prove that a discharge was caused solely by (A) an act of God, (B) an act of war, (C) negligence on the part of the United States Government, or (D) an act or omission of a third party without regard to whether any such act or omission was or was not negligent, or any combination of the foregoing clauses, such owner or operator of any vessel from which oil is discharged in violation of subsection (b)(2) of this section shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law, be liable to the United States Government for the actual costs incurred under subsection (c) for the removal of such oil by the United States Government in an amount not to exceed \$100 per gross ton of such vessel or \$14,000,000, whichever is lesser, except that where the United States can show that such discharge was the result of willful negligence or willful misconduct within the privity and knowledge of the owner, such owner or operator shall be liable to the United States Government for the full amount of such costs. Such costs shall constitute a maritime lien on such vessel which may be recovered in an action in rem in the district court of the United States for any district within which any vessel may be found. The United States may also bring an action against the owner or operator of such vessel in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover such costs.

Limitation; exception.

“(2) Except where an owner or operator of an onshore facility can prove that a discharge was caused solely by (A) an act of God, (B) an act of war, (C) negligence on the part of the United States Government, or (D) an act or omission of a third party without regard to whether any such act or omission was or was not negligent, or any combination of the foregoing clauses, such owner or operator of any such facility from which oil is discharged in violation of subsection (b)(2) of this section shall be liable to the United States Government for the actual costs incurred under subsection (c) for the removal of such oil by the United States Government in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000, except that where the United States can show that such discharge was the result of willful negligence or willful misconduct within the privity and knowledge of the owner, such owner or operator shall be liable to the United States Government for the full amount of such costs. The United States may bring an action

against the owner or operator of such facility in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover such costs. The Secretary is authorized, by regulation, after consultation with the Secretary of Commerce and the Small Business Administration, to establish reasonable and equitable classifications of those onshore facilities having a total fixed storage capacity of 1,000 barrels or less which he determines because of size, type, and location do not present a substantial risk of the discharge of oil in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section, and apply with respect to such classifications differing limits of liability which may be less than the amount contained in this paragraph.

Classification
of storage facilities.

“(3) Except where an owner or operator of an offshore facility can prove that a discharge was caused solely by (A) an act of God, (B) an act of war, (C) negligence on the part of the United States Government, or (D) an act or omission of a third party without regard to whether any such act or omission was or was not negligent, or any combination of the foregoing clauses, such owner or operator of any such facility from which oil is discharged in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law, be liable to the United States Government for the actual costs incurred under subsection (c) for the removal of such oil by the United States Government in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000, except that where the United States can show that such discharge was the result of willful negligence or willful misconduct within the privity and knowledge of the owner, such owner or operator shall be liable to the United States Government for the full amount of such costs. The United States may bring an action against the owner or operator of such a facility in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover such costs.

Liability.

Limitation; exception.

“(g) In any case where an owner or operator of a vessel, of an onshore facility, or of an offshore facility, from which oil is discharged in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section proves that such discharge of oil was caused solely by an act or omission of a third party, or was caused solely by such an act or omission in combination with an act of God, an act of war, or negligence on the part of the United States Government, such third party shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law, be liable to the United States Government for the actual costs incurred under subsection (c) for removal of such oil by the United States Government, except where such third party can prove that such discharge was caused solely by (A) an act of God, (B) an act of war, (C) negligence on the part of the United States Government, or (D) an act or omission of another party without regard to whether such act or omission was or was not negligent, or any combination of the foregoing clauses. If such third party was the owner or operator of a vessel which caused the discharge of oil in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section, the liability of such third party under this subsection shall not exceed \$100 per gross ton of such vessel or \$14,000,000, whichever is the lesser. In any other case the liability of such third party shall not exceed the limitation which would have been applicable to the owner or operator of the vessel or the onshore or offshore facility from which the discharge actually occurred, if such owner or operator were liable. If the United States can show that the discharge of oil in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section was the result of willful negligence or willful misconduct within the privity and knowledge of such third party, such third party shall be liable to the United States Government for the full amount of such removal costs. The United States may bring an action against the third party in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover such removal costs.

“(h) The liabilities established by this section shall in no way affect any rights which (1) the owner or operator of a vessel or of an onshore facility or an offshore facility may have against any third party whose acts may in any way have caused or contributed to such discharge, or (2) the United States Government may have against any third party whose actions may in any way have caused or contributed to the discharge of oil.

Recovery of costs.

“(i) (1) In any case where an owner or operator of a vessel or an onshore facility or an offshore facility from which oil is discharged in violation of subsection (b) (2) of this section acts to remove such oil in accordance with regulations promulgated pursuant to this section, such owner or operator shall be entitled to recover the reasonable costs incurred in such removal upon establishing, in a suit which may be brought against the United States Government in the United States Court of Claims, that such discharge was caused solely by (A) an act of God, (B) an act of war, (C) negligence on the part of the United States Government, or (D) an act or omission of a third party without regard to whether such act or omission was or was not negligent, or of any combination of the foregoing clauses.

“(2) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply in any case where liability is established pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act.

67 Stat. 462.
43 USC 1331
note.
Payment.

“(3) Any amount paid in accordance with a judgment of the United States Court of Claims pursuant to this section shall be paid from the fund established pursuant to subsection (k).

Regulations.

“(j) (1) Consistent with the National Contingency Plan required by subsection (c) (2) of this section, as soon as practicable after the effective date of this section, and from time to time thereafter, the President shall issue regulations consistent with maritime safety and with marine and navigation laws (A) establishing methods and procedures for removal of discharged oil, (B) establishing criteria for the development and implementation of local and regional oil removal contingency plans, (C) establishing procedures, methods, and requirements for equipment to prevent discharges of oil from vessels and from onshore facilities and offshore facilities, and (D) governing the inspection of vessels carrying cargoes of oil and the inspection of such cargoes in order to reduce the likelihood of discharges of oil from such vessels in violation of this section.

Failure to comply.

“(2) Any owner or operator of a vessel or an onshore facility or an offshore facility and any other person subject to any regulation issued under paragraph (1) of this subsection who fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of any such regulation, shall be liable to a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each such violation. Each violation shall be a separate offense. The President may assess and compromise such penalty. No penalty shall be assessed until the owner, operator, or other person charged shall have been given notice and an opportunity for a hearing on such charge. In determining the amount of the penalty, or the amount agreed upon in compromise, the gravity of the violation, and the demonstrated good faith of the owner, operator, or other person charged in attempting to achieve rapid compliance, after notification of a violation, shall be considered by the President.

Penalty.

Notification.
Hearing opportunity.

Revolving fund, appropriation.

“(k) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to a revolving fund to be established in the Treasury not to exceed \$35,000,000 to carry out the provisions of subsections (c), (i), and (l) of this section and section 12 of this Act. Any other funds received by the United States under this section shall also be deposited in said fund for such purposes. All sums appropriated to, or deposited in, said fund shall remain available until expended.

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“(1) The President is authorized to delegate the administration of this section to the heads of those Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities which he determines to be appropriate. Any moneys in the fund established by subsection (k) of this section shall be available to such Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities to carry out the provisions of subsections (c) and (i) of this section and section 12 of this Act. Each such department, agency, and instrumentality, in order to avoid duplication of effort, shall, whenever appropriate, utilize the personnel, services, and facilities of other Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities.

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“(m) Anyone authorized by the President to enforce the provisions of this section may, except as to public vessels, (A) board and inspect any vessel upon the navigable waters of the United States or the waters of the contiguous zone, (B) with or without a warrant arrest any person who violates the provisions of this section or any regulation issued thereunder in his presence or view, and (C) execute any warrant or other process issued by an officer or court of competent jurisdiction.

Enforcement.

“(n) The several district courts of the United States are invested with jurisdiction for any actions, other than actions pursuant to subsection (i) (1), arising under this section. In the case of Guam, such actions may be brought in the district court of Guam, and in the case of the Virgin Islands such actions may be brought in the district court of the Virgin Islands. In the case of American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, such actions may be brought in the District Court of the United States for the District of Hawaii and such court shall have jurisdiction of such actions. In the case of the Canal Zone, such actions may be brought in the United States District Court for the District of the Canal Zone.

Jurisdictions.

“(o) (1) Nothing in this section shall affect or modify in any way the obligations of any owner or operator of any vessel, or of any owner or operator of any onshore facility or offshore facility to any person or agency under any provision of law for damages to any publicly-owned or privately-owned property resulting from a discharge of any oil or from the removal of any such oil.

Property damage.

“(2) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preempting any State or political subdivision thereof from imposing any requirement or liability with respect to the discharge of oil into any waters within such State.

“(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting or modifying any other existing authority of any Federal department, agency, or instrumentality, relative to onshore or offshore facilities under this Act or any other provision of law, or to affect any State or local law not in conflict with this section.

“(p) (1) Any vessel over three hundred gross tons, including any barge of equivalent size, using any port or place in the United States or the navigable waters of the United States for any purpose shall establish and maintain under regulations to be prescribed from time to time by the President, evidence of financial responsibility of \$100 per gross ton, or \$14,000,000 whichever is the lesser, to meet the liability to the United States which such vessel could be subjected under this section. In cases where an owner or operator owns, operates, or char- ters more than one such vessel, financial responsibility need only be established to meet the maximum liability to which the largest of such vessels could be subjected. Financial responsibility may be established by any one of, or a combination of, the following methods acceptable to the President: (A) evidence of insurance, (B) surety bonds, (C) qualification as a self-insurer, or (D) other evidence of financial responsibility. Any bond filed shall be issued by a bonding company authorized to do business in the United States.

Financial responsibility, es- tablishment.

Amount.

Methods.

Effective date.

“(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be effective one year after the effective date of this section. The President shall delegate the responsibility to carry out the provisions of this subsection to the appropriate agency head within sixty days after the date of enactment of this section. Regulations necessary to implement this subsection shall be issued within six months after the date of enactment of this section.

“(3) Any claim for costs incurred by such vessel may be brought directly against the insurer or any other person providing evidence of financial responsibility as required under this subsection. In the case of any action pursuant to this subsection such insurer or other person shall be entitled to invoke all rights and defenses which would have been available to the owner or operator if an action had been brought against him by the claimant, and which would have been available to him if an action had been brought against him by the owner or operator.

Study.

“(4) The Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Secretaries of Interior, State, Commerce, and other interested Federal agencies, representatives of the merchant marine, oil companies, insurance companies, and other interested individuals and organizations, and taking into account the results of the application of paragraph (1) of this subsection, shall conduct a study of the need for and, to the extent determined necessary—

“(A) other measures to provide financial responsibility and limitation of liability with respect to vessels using the navigable waters of the United States;

“(B) measures to provide financial responsibility for all onshore and offshore facilities; and

“(C) other measures for limitation of liability of such facilities;

for the cost of removing discharged oil and paying all damages resulting from the discharge of such oil. The Secretary of Transportation shall submit a report, together with any legislative recommendations, to Congress and the President by January 1, 1971.

Report and recommendations to Congress and the President.

“CONTROL OF HAZARDOUS POLLUTING SUBSTANCES

“SEC. 12. (a) The President shall, in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, develop, promulgate, and revise as may be appropriate, regulations (1) designating as hazardous substances, other than oil as defined in section 11 of this Act, such elements and compounds which, when discharged in any quantity into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines or the waters of the contiguous zone, present an imminent and substantial danger to the public health or welfare, including, but not limited to, fish, shellfish, wildlife, shorelines, and beaches; and (2) establishing, if appropriate, recommended methods and means for the removal of such substances.

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“(b) Sections 551 through 559, inclusive (other than section 553 (c)), and 701 through 706, inclusive, of title 5, United States Code, shall apply to regulations issued under authority of this section.

“(c) In order to facilitate the removal, if appropriate, of any hazardous substance any person in charge of a vessel or of an onshore or offshore facility of any kind shall, as soon as he has knowledge of any discharge of such substance from such vessel or facility, immediately notify the appropriate agency of the United States of such discharge.

80 Stat. 381;
81 Stat. 54.

“(d) Whenever any hazardous substance is discharged into or upon the navigable waters of the United States or adjoining shorelines or the waters of the contiguous zone, unless removal is immediately undertaken by the owner or operator of the vessel or onshore or offshore facility from which the discharge occurs or which caused the discharge, pursuant to the regulations promulgated under this section, the President, if appropriate, shall remove or arrange for the removal thereof in accordance with such regulations. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict the authority of the President to act to remove or arrange for the removal of such hazardous substance at any time.

“(e) Nothing in this section shall affect or modify in any way the obligations of any owner or operator of any vessel, onshore or offshore facility to any person or agency under any provision of law for damages to any publicly- or privately-owned property resulting from a discharge of any hazardous substance or from the removal of any such substance.

“(f) (1) For the purpose of this section the definitions in subsection (a) of section 11 of this Act shall be applicable to the provisions of this section, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection:

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“(2) For the purpose of this section, the term—

Definitions.

“(A) ‘remove’ or ‘removal’ refers to removal of the hazardous substances from the water and shorelines or the taking of such other actions as may be necessary to minimize or mitigate damage to the public health or welfare, including, but not limited to, fish, shellfish, wildlife, and public and private property, shorelines, and beaches;

“(B) ‘owner or operator’ means any person owning, operating, chartering by demise, or otherwise controlling the operations of, a vessel, or any person owning, operating, or otherwise controlling the operations of an onshore or offshore facility; and

“(C) ‘offshore or onshore facility’ means any facility of any kind and related appurtenances thereto which is located in, on, or under the surface of any land, or permanently or temporarily affixed to any land, including lands beneath the navigable waters of the United States and which is used or capable of use for the purpose of processing, transporting, producing, storing, or transferring for commercial purposes any hazardous substance designated under this section.

“(g) The President shall submit a report to the Congress, together with his recommendations, not later than November 1, 1970, on the need for, and desirability of, enacting legislation to impose liability for the cost of removal of hazardous substances discharged from vessels and onshore and offshore facilities subject to this section including financial responsibility requirements. In preparing this report, the President shall conduct an accelerated study which shall include, but not be limited to, the method and measures for controlling hazardous substances to prevent this discharge, and the most appropriate measures for (1) enforcement (including the imposition of civil and criminal penalties for discharges and for failure to notify) and (2) recovery of costs incurred by the United States if removal is undertaken by the United States. In carrying out this study, the President shall consult with the interested representatives of the various public and private groups that would be affected by such legislation as well as other interested persons.

Presidential report and recommendations to Congress.

“(h) Any moneys in the funds established by section 11 of this Act shall be available to the President to carry out the purposes of this section. In carrying out this section the President shall utilize the personnel, services, and facilities of Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities in such manner as will avoid duplication of effort.

Availability of funds.

"CONTROL OF SEWAGE FROM VESSELS"

Definitions.

"SEC. 13. (a) For the purpose of this section, the term—

"(1) 'new vessel' includes every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on the navigable waters of the United States, the construction of which is initiated after promulgation of standards and regulations under this section;

"(2) 'existing vessel' includes every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on the navigable waters of the United States, the construction of which is initiated before promulgation of standards and regulations under this section;

"(3) 'public vessel' means a vessel owned or bareboat chartered and operated by the United States, by a State or political subdivision thereof, or by a foreign nation, except when such vessel is engaged in commerce;

"(4) 'United States' includes the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Canal Zone, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;

"(5) 'marine sanitation device' includes any equipment for installation on board a vessel which is designed to receive, retain, treat, or discharge sewage, and any process to treat such sewage;

"(6) 'sewage' means human body wastes and the wastes from toilets and other receptacles intended to receive or retain body wastes;

"(7) 'manufacture' means any person engaged in the manufacturing, assembling, or importation of marine sanitation devices or of vessels subject to standards and regulations promulgated under this section;

"(8) 'person' means an individual, partnership, firm, corporation, or association, but does not include an individual on board a public vessel;

"(9) 'discharge' includes, but is not limited to, any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping.

Standards.

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"(b) (1) As soon as possible, after the enactment of this section and subject to the provisions of section 5(j) of this Act, the Secretary, after consultation with the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, after giving appropriate consideration to the economic costs involved, and within the limits of available technology, shall promulgate Federal standards of performance for marine sanitation devices (hereafter in this section referred to as 'standards') which shall be designed to prevent the discharge of untreated or inadequately treated sewage into or upon the navigable waters of the United States from new vessels and existing vessels, except vessels not equipped with installed toilet facilities. Such standards shall be consistent with maritime safety and the marine and navigation laws and regulations and shall be coordinated with the regulations issued under this subsection by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating. The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall promulgate regulations, which are consistent with standards promulgated under this subsection and with maritime safety and the marine and navigation laws and regulations, governing the design, construction, installation, and operation of any marine sanitation device on board such vessels.

Regulations.

"(2) Any existing vessel equipped with a marine sanitation device on the date of promulgation of initial standards and regulations under this section, which device is in compliance with such initial standards

and regulations, shall be deemed in compliance with this section until such time as the device is replaced or is found not to be in compliance with such initial standards and regulations.

“(c) (1) Initial standards and regulations under this section shall become effective for new vessels two years after promulgation; and for existing vessels five years after promulgation. Revisions of standards and regulations shall be effective upon promulgation, unless another effective date is specified, except that no revision shall take effect before the effective date of the standard or regulation being revised.

Effective dates
of standards and
regulations.

“(2) The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating with regard to his regulatory authority established by this section, after consultation with the Secretary, may distinguish among classes, types, and sizes of vessels as well as between new and existing vessels, and may waive applicability of standards and regulations as necessary or appropriate for such classes, types, and sizes of vessels (including existing vessels equipped with marine sanitation devices on the date of promulgation of the initial standards required by this section), and, upon application, for individual vessels.

Waiver.

“(d) The provisions of this section and the standards and regulations promulgated hereunder apply to vessels owned and operated by the United States unless the Secretary of Defense finds that compliance would not be in the interest of national security. With respect to vessels owned and operated by the Department of Defense, regulations under the last sentence of subsection (b) (1) and certifications under subsection (g) (2) of this section shall be promulgated and issued by the Secretary of Defense.

“(e) Before the standards and regulations under this section are promulgated, the Secretary and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall consult with the Secretary of State; the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; the Secretary of Defense; the Secretary of the Treasury; the Secretary of Commerce; other interested Federal agencies; and the States and industries interested; and otherwise comply with the requirements of section 553 of title 5 of the United States Code.

80 Stat. 383.

“(f) After the effective date of the initial standards and regulations promulgated under this section, no State or political subdivision thereof shall adopt or enforce any statute or regulation of such State or political subdivision with respect to the design, manufacture, or installation or use of any marine sanitation device on any vessel subject to the provisions of this section. Upon application by a State, and where the Secretary determines that any applicable water quality standards require such a prohibition, he shall by regulation completely prohibit the discharge from a vessel of any sewage (whether treated or not) into those waters of such State which are the subject of the application and to which such standards apply.

“(g) (1) No manufacturer of a marine sanitation device shall sell, offer for sale, or introduce or deliver for introduction in interstate commerce, or import into the United States for sale or resale any marine sanitation device manufactured after the effective date of the standards and regulations promulgated under this section unless such device is in all material respects substantially the same as a test device certified under this subsection.

“(2) Upon application of the manufacturer, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall so certify a marine sanitation device if he determines, in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph, that it meets the appropriate standards and regulations promulgated under this section. The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall test or require such testing of the device in accordance with procedures set forth by

Certification.

the Secretary as to standards of performance and for such other purposes as may be appropriate. If the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating determines that the device is satisfactory from the standpoint of safety and any other requirements of maritime law or regulation, and after consideration of the design, installation, operation, material, or other appropriate factors, he shall certify the device. Any device manufactured by such manufacturer which is in all material respects substantially the same as the certified test device shall be deemed to be in conformity with the appropriate standards and regulations established under this section.

Recordkeeping.

“(3) Every manufacturer shall establish and maintain such records, make such reports, and provide such information as the Secretary or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may reasonably require to enable him to determine whether such manufacturer has acted or is acting in compliance with this section and regulations issued thereunder and shall, upon request of an officer or employee duly designated by the Secretary or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, permit such officer or employee at reasonable times to have access to and copy such records. All information reported to or otherwise obtained by, the Secretary or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating or their representatives pursuant to this subsection which contains or relates to a trade secret or other matter referred to in section 1905 of title 18 of the United States Code shall be considered confidential for the purpose of that section, except that such information may be disclosed to other officers or employees concerned with carrying out this section. This paragraph shall not apply in the case of the construction of a vessel by an individual for his own use.

62 Stat. 791.

Unlawful acts.

“(h) After the effective date of standards and regulations promulgated under this section, it shall be unlawful—

“(1) for the manufacturer of any vessel subject to such standards and regulations to manufacture for sale, to sell or offer for sale, or to distribute for sale or resale any such vessel unless it is equipped with a marine sanitation device which is in all material respects substantially the same as the appropriate test device certified pursuant to this section;

“(2) for any person, prior to the sale or delivery of a vessel subject to such standards and regulations to the ultimate purchaser, wrongfully to remove or render inoperative any certified marine sanitation device or element of design of such device installed in such vessel;

“(3) for any person to fail or refuse to permit access to or copying of records or to fail to make reports or provide information required under this section; and

“(4) for a vessel subject to such standards and regulations to operate on the navigable waters of the United States, if such vessel is not equipped with an operable marine sanitation device certified pursuant to this section.

Jurisdictions.

“(i) The district courts of the United States shall have jurisdictions to restrain violations of subsection (g)(1) and subsections (h)(1) through (3) of this section. Actions to restrain such violations shall be brought by, and in, the name of the United States. In case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena served upon any person under this subsection, the district court of the United States for any district in which such person is found or 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 or to appear and produce documents, and any failure to obey such order of the court may be punished by such court as a contempt thereof.

“(j) Any person who violates subsection (g) (1) or clause (1) or (2) of subsection (h) of this section shall be liable to a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each violation. Any person who violates clause (4) of subsection (h) of this section or any regulation issued pursuant to this section shall be liable to a civil penalty of not more than \$2,000 for each violation. Each violation shall be a separate offense. The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may assess and compromise any such penalty. No penalty shall be assessed until the person charged shall have been given notice and an opportunity for a hearing on such charge. In determining the amount of the penalty, or the amount agreed upon in compromise, the gravity of the violation, and the demonstrated good faith of the person charged in attempting to achieve rapid compliance, after notification of a violation, shall be considered by said Secretary.

Penalty.

Notification.
Hearing opportunity.

“(k) The provisions of this section shall be enforced by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating and he may utilize by agreement, with or without reimbursement, law enforcement officers or other personnel and facilities of the Secretary, other Federal agencies, or the States to carry out the provisions of this section.

Enforcement.

“(l) Anyone authorized by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating to enforce the provisions of this section may, except as to public vessels, (1) board and inspect any vessel upon the navigable waters of the United States and (2) execute any warrant or other process issued by an officer or court of competent jurisdiction.

Jurisdictions.

“(m) In the case of Guam, actions arising under this section may be brought in the district court of Guam, and in the case of the Virgin Islands such actions may be brought in the district court of the Virgin Islands. In the case of American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, such actions may be brought in the District Court of the United States for the District of Hawaii and such court shall have jurisdiction of such actions. In the case of the Canal Zone, such actions may be brought in the District Court for the District of the Canal Zone.

“AREA ACID AND OTHER MINE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DEMONSTRATIONS

“SEC. 14. (a) The Secretary in cooperation with other Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities is authorized to enter into agreements with any State or interstate agency to carry out one or more projects to demonstrate methods for the elimination or control, within all or part of a watershed, of acid or other mine water pollution resulting from active or abandoned mines. Such projects shall demonstrate the engineering and economic feasibility and practicality of various abatement techniques which will contribute substantially to effective and practical methods of acid or other mine water pollution elimination or control.

Federal aid to States.

“(b) The Secretary, in selecting watersheds for the purposes of this section, shall (1) require such feasibility studies as he deems appropriate, (2) give preference to areas which have the greatest present or potential value for public use for recreation, fish and wildlife, water supply, and other public uses, and (3) be satisfied that the project area will not be affected adversely by the influx of acid or other mine water pollution from nearby sources.

“(c) Federal participation in such projects shall be subject to the conditions—

Conditions.

“(1) that the State or interstate agency shall pay not less than 25 per centum of the actual project costs which payment may be in any form, including, but not limited to, land or interests therein

that is needed for the project, or personal property or services, the value of which shall be determined by the Secretary; and

“(2) that the State or interstate agency shall provide legal and practical protection to the project area to insure against any activities which will cause future acid or other mine water pollution.

Appropriation. “(d) There is authorized to be appropriated \$15,000,000 to carry out the provisions of this section, which sum shall be available until expended. No more than 25 per centum of the total funds available under this section in any one year shall be granted to any one State.

“POLLUTION CONTROL IN GREAT LAKES

Demonstration projects, Federal aid to States.

“SEC. 15. (a) The Secretary, in cooperation with other Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities is authorized to enter into agreements with any State, political subdivision, interstate agency, or other public agency, or combination thereof, to carry out one or more projects to demonstrate new methods and techniques and to develop preliminary plans for the elimination or control of pollution, within all or any part of the watersheds of the Great Lakes. Such projects shall demonstrate the engineering and economic feasibility and practicality of removal of pollutants and prevention of any polluting matter from entering into the Great Lakes in the future and other abatement and remedial techniques which will contribute substantially to effective and practical methods of water pollution elimination or control.

Condition.

“(b) Federal participation in such projects shall be subject to the condition that the State, political subdivision, interstate agency, or other public agency, or combination thereof, shall pay not less than 25 per centum of the actual project costs, which payment may be in any form, including, but not limited to, land or interests therein that is needed for the project, and personal property or services the value of which shall be determined by the Secretary.

Appropriation.

“(c) There is authorized to be appropriated \$20,000,000 to carry out the provisions of this section, which sum shall be available until expended.

“TRAINING GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

“SEC. 16. The Secretary is authorized to make grants to or contracts with institutions of higher education, or combinations of such institutions, to assist them in planning, developing, strengthening, improving, or carrying out programs or projects for the preparation of undergraduate students to enter an occupation which involves the design, operation, and maintenance of treatment works, and other facilities whose purpose is water quality control. Such grants or contracts may include payment of all or part of the cost of programs or projects such as—

“(A) planning for the development or expansion of programs or projects for training persons in the operation and maintenance of treatment works;

“(B) training and retraining of faculty members;

“(C) conduct of short-term or regular session institutes for study by persons engaged in, or preparing to engage in, the preparation of students preparing to enter an occupation involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works;

“(D) carrying out innovative and experimental programs of cooperative education involving alternate periods of full-time or part-time academic study at the institution and periods of full-time or part-time employment involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works; and

“(E) research into, and development of, methods of training students or faculty, including the preparation of teaching materials and the planning of curriculum.

“APPLICATION FOR TRAINING GRANT OR CONTRACT; ALLOCATION OF GRANTS OR CONTRACTS

“SEC. 17. (1) A grant or contract authorized by section 16 may be made only upon application to the Secretary at such time or times and containing such information as he may prescribe, except that no such application shall be approved unless it—

Conditions.

“(A) sets forth programs, activities, research, or development for which a grant is authorized under section 16, and describes the relation to any program set forth by the applicant in an application, if any, submitted pursuant to section 18;

“(B) provides such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as may be necessary to assure proper disbursement of and accounting for Federal funds paid to the applicant under this section; and

“(C) provides for making such reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Secretary may require to carry out his functions under this section, and for keeping such records and for affording such access thereto as the Secretary may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports.

Reports to Secretary.

“(2) The Secretary shall allocate grants or contracts under section 16 in such manner as will most nearly provide an equitable distribution of the grants or contracts throughout the United States among institutions of higher education which show promise of being able to use funds effectively for the purposes of this section.

Equitable distribution.

“(3) (A) Payment under this section may be used in accordance with regulations of the Secretary, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in an application approved under subsection (a), to pay part of the compensation of students employed in connection with the operation and maintenance of treatment works, other than as an employee in connection with the operation and maintenance of treatment works or as an employee in any branch of the Government of the United States, as part of a program for which a grant has been approved pursuant to this section.

Compensation of employed students.

“(B) Departments and agencies of the United States are encouraged, to the extent consistent with efficient administration, to enter into arrangements with institutions of higher education for the full-time, part-time, or temporary employment, whether in the competitive or excepted service, of students enrolled in programs set forth in applications approved under subsection (a).

“AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS

“SEC. 18. (1) The Secretary is authorized to award scholarships in accordance with the provisions of this section for undergraduate study by persons who plan to enter an occupation involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works. Such scholarships shall be awarded for such periods as the Secretary may determine but not to exceed four academic years.

“(2) The Secretary shall allocate scholarships under this section among institutions of higher education with programs approved under the provisions of this section for the use of individuals accepted into such programs, in such manner and according to such plan as will insofar as practicable—

“(A) provide an equitable distribution of such scholarships throughout the United States; and

“(B) attract recent graduates of secondary schools to enter an occupation involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works.

Program approval, conditions.

“(3) The Secretary shall approve a program of an institution of higher education for the purposes of this section only upon application by the institution and only upon his finding—

“(A) that such program has as a principal objective the education and training of persons in the operation and maintenance of treatment works;

“(B) that such program is in effect and of high quality, or can be readily put into effect and may reasonably be expected to be of high quality;

“(C) that the application describes the relation of such program to any program, activity, research, or development set forth by the applicant in an application, if any, submitted pursuant to section 16 of this Act; and

“(D) that the application contains satisfactory assurances that (i) the institution will recommend to the Secretary for the award of scholarships under this section, for study in such program, only persons who have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the institution a serious intent, upon completing the program, to enter an occupation involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works, and (ii) the institution will make reasonable continuing efforts to encourage recipients of scholarships under this section, enrolled in such program, to enter occupations involving the operation and maintenance of treatment works upon completing the program.

Stipends.

“(4) (A) The Secretary shall pay to persons awarded scholarships under this section such stipends (including such allowances for subsistence and other expenses for such persons and their dependents) as he may determine to be consistent with prevailing practices under comparable federally supported programs.

“(B) The Secretary shall (in addition to the stipends paid to persons under subsection (a)) pay to the institution of higher education at which such person is pursuing his course of study such amount as he may determine to be consistent with prevailing practices under comparable federally supported programs.

“(5) A person awarded a scholarship under the provisions of this section shall continue to receive the payments provided in this section only during such periods as the Secretary finds that he is maintaining satisfactory proficiency and devoting full time to study or research in the field in which such scholarship was awarded in an institution of higher education, and is not engaging in gainful employment other than employment approved by the Secretary by or pursuant to regulation.

“(6) The Secretary shall by regulation provide that any person awarded a scholarship under this section shall agree in writing to enter and remain in an occupation involving the design, operation, or maintenance of treatment works for such period after completion of his course of studies as the Secretary determines appropriate.

“DEFINITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

“SEC. 19. (1) As used in sections 16 through 19 of this Act—

“(A) The term ‘State’ includes the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

“(B) The term ‘institution of higher education’ means an educational institution described in the first sentence of section 1201 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (other than an institution of any agency of the United States) which is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association approved by the Secretary for this purpose. For purposes of this subsection, the Secretary shall publish a list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies or associations which he determines to be reliable authority as to the quality of training offered.

Accreditation.

79 Stat. 1269;
82 Stat. 1042.
20 USC 1141.

“(C) The term ‘academic year’ means an academic year or its equivalent, as determined by the Secretary.

“(2) The Secretary shall annually report his activities under sections 16 through 19 of this Act, including recommendations for needed revisions in the provisions thereof.

Annual report.

“(3) There are authorized to be appropriated \$12,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, \$25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, and \$25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, to carry out sections 16 through 19 of this Act (and planning and related activities in the initial fiscal year for such purpose). Funds appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, under authority of this subsection shall be available for obligation pursuant to the provisions of sections 16 through 19 of this Act during that year and the succeeding fiscal year.

Appropriations.

“ALASKA VILLAGE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

“SEC. 20. (a) The Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with the State of Alaska to carry out one or more projects to demonstrate methods to provide for central community facilities for safe water and the elimination or control of water pollution in those native villages of Alaska without such facilities. Such projects shall include provisions for community safe water supply systems, toilets, bathing and laundry facilities, sewage disposal facilities, and other similar facilities, and educational and informational facilities and programs relating to health and hygiene. Such demonstration projects shall be for the further purpose of developing preliminary plans for providing such safe water and such elimination or control of water pollution for all native villages in such State.

“(b) In carrying out this section the Secretary shall cooperate with the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare for the purpose of utilizing such of the personnel and facilities of that Department as may be appropriate.

“(c) The Secretary shall report to Congress not later than January 31, 1973, the results of the demonstration projects authorized by this section together with his recommendations, including any necessary legislation, relating to the establishment of a statewide program.

Report to Congress.

“(d) There is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$1,000,000 to carry out this section.”

Appropriation.

SEC. 103. Redesignated section 21 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Ante, p. 91.

“COOPERATION BY ALL FEDERAL AGENCIES IN THE CONTROL OF POLLUTION

“SEC. 21. (a) Each Federal agency (which term is used in this section includes Federal departments, agencies, and instrumentalities) having jurisdiction over any real property or facility, or engaged in any Federal public works activity of any kind, shall, consistent with the paramount interest of the United States as determined by the President, insure compliance with applicable water quality standards

Federal agencies, alleged pollution, hearings.

and the purposes of this Act in the administration of such property, facility, or activity. In his summary of any conference pursuant to section 10(d)(4) of this Act, the Secretary shall include references to any discharges allegedly contributing to pollution from any such Federal property, facility, or activity, and shall transmit a copy of such summary to the head of the Federal agency having jurisdiction of such property, facility, or activity. Notice of any hearing pursuant to section 10(f) of this Act involving any pollution alleged to be effected by any such discharges shall also be given to the Federal agency having jurisdiction over the property, facility, or activity involved, and the findings and recommendations of the hearing board conducting such hearing shall include references to any such discharges which are contributing to the pollution found by such board.

70 Stat. 504;
79 Stat. 903, 907.
33 USC 466g.

79 Stat. 907;
80 Stat. 1251.

Federal license,
State certification.

Public notification procedures.

Waiver.

Standards,
enforcement.

Public hearing.

“(b)(1) Any applicant for a Federal license or permit to conduct any activity including, but not limited to, the construction or operation of facilities, which may result in any discharge into the navigable waters of the United States, shall provide the licensing or permitting agency a certification from the State in which the discharge originates or will originate, or, if appropriate, from the interstate water pollution control agency having jurisdiction over the navigable waters at the point where the discharge originates or will originate, that there is reasonable assurance, as determined by the State or interstate agency that such activity will be conducted in a manner which will not violate applicable water quality standards. Such State or interstate agency shall establish procedures for public notice in the case of all applications for certification by it, and to the extent it deems appropriate, procedures for public hearings in connection with specific applications. In any case where such standards have been promulgated by the Secretary pursuant to section 10(c) of this Act, or where a State or interstate agency has no authority to give such a certification, such certification shall be from the Secretary. If the State, interstate agency, or Secretary, as the case may be, fails or refuses to act on a request for certification, within a reasonable period of time (which shall not exceed one year) after receipt of such request, the certification requirements of this subsection shall be waived with respect to such Federal application. No license or permit shall be granted until the certification required by this section has been obtained or has been waived as provided in the preceding sentence. No license or permit shall be granted if certification has been denied by the State, interstate agency, or the Secretary, as the case may be.

“(2) Upon receipt of such application and certification the licensing or permitting agency shall immediately notify the Secretary of such application and certification. Whenever such a discharge may affect, as determined by the Secretary, the quality of the waters of any other State, the Secretary within thirty days of the date of notice of application for such Federal license or permit shall so notify such other State, the licensing or permitting agency, and the applicant. If, within sixty days after receipt of such notification, such other State determines that such discharge will affect the quality of its waters so as to violate its water quality standards, and within such sixty-day period notifies the Secretary and the licensing or permitting agency in writing of its objection to the issuance of such license or permit and requests a public hearing on such objection, the licensing or permitting agency shall hold such a hearing. The Secretary shall at such hearing submit his evaluation and recommendations with respect to any such objection to the licensing or permitting agency. Such agency, based upon the recommendations of such State, the Secretary, and upon any additional evidence, if any, presented to the agency at the hearing, shall condition such license or permit in such manner as may be necessary to insure compliance with applicable water quality standards. If

the imposition of conditions cannot insure such compliance such agency shall not issue such license or permit.

“(3) The certification obtained pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection with respect to the construction of any facility shall fulfill the requirements of this subsection with respect to certification in connection with any other Federal license or permit required for the operation of such facility unless, after notice to the certifying State, agency, or Secretary, as the case may be, which shall be given by the Federal agency to whom application is made for such operating license or permit, the State, or if appropriate, the interstate agency or the Secretary, notifies such agency within sixty days after receipt of such notice that there is no longer reasonable assurance that there will be compliance with applicable water quality standards because of changes since the construction license or permit certification was issued in (A) the construction or operation of the facility, (B) the characteristics of the waters into which such discharge is made, or (C) the water quality standards applicable to such waters. This paragraph shall be inapplicable in any case where the applicant for such operating license or permit has failed to provide the certifying State, or if appropriate, the interstate agency or the Secretary, with notice of any proposed changes in the construction or operation of the facility with respect to which a construction license or permit has been granted which changes may result in violation of applicable water quality standards.

“(4) Prior to the initial operation of any federally licensed or permitted facility or activity which may result in any discharge into the navigable waters of the United States and with respect to which a certification has been obtained pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection, which facility or activity is not subject to a Federal operating license or permit, the licensee or permittee shall provide an opportunity for such certifying State or, if appropriate, the interstate agency or the Secretary to review the manner in which the facility or activity shall be operated or conducted for the purposes of assuring that applicable water quality standards will not be violated. Upon notification by the certifying State or, if appropriate, the interstate agency or the Secretary that the operation of any such federally licensed or permitted facility or activity will violate applicable water quality standards, such Federal agency may, after public hearing, suspend such license or permit. If such license or permit is suspended, it shall remain suspended until notification is received from the certifying State, agency, or Secretary, as the case may be, that there is reasonable assurance that such facility or activity will not violate applicable water quality standards.

“(5) Any Federal license or permit with respect to which a certification has been obtained under paragraph (1) of this subsection may be suspended or revoked by the Federal agency issuing such license or permit upon the entering of a judgment under section 10(h) of this Act that such facility or activity has been operated in violation of applicable water quality standards.

“(6) No Federal agency shall be deemed to be an applicant for the purposes of this subsection.

“(7) In any case where actual construction of a facility has been lawfully commenced prior to the date of enactment of the Water Quality Improvement Act of 1970, no certification shall be required under this subsection for a license or permit issued after the date of enactment of such Act of 1970 to operate such facility, except that any such license or permit issued without certification shall terminate at the end of the three-year period beginning on the date of enactment of such Act of 1970 unless prior to such termination date the person having such license or permit submits to the Federal agency which issued such license or permit a certification and otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.

Prior inspection.

Standards violation, license suspension.

70 Stat. 504;
79 Stat. 903, 907.
33 USC 466g.

“(8) Except as provided in paragraph (7), any application for a license or permit (A) that is pending on the date of enactment of the Water Quality Improvement Act of 1970 and (B) that is issued within one year following such date of enactment shall not require certification pursuant to this subsection for one year following the issuance of such license or permit, except that any such license or permit issued shall terminate at the end of one year unless prior to that time the licensee or permittee submits to the Federal agency that issued such license or permit a certification and otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.

“(9) (A) In the case of any activity which will affect water quality but for which there are no applicable water quality standards, no certification shall be required under this subsection, except that the licensing or permitting agency shall impose, as a condition of any license or permit, a requirement that the licensee or permittee shall comply with the purposes of this Act.

“(B) Upon notice from the State in which the discharge originates or, as appropriate, the interstate agency or the Secretary, that such licensee or permittee has been notified of the adoption of water quality standards applicable to such activity and has failed, after reasonable notice, of not less than six months, to comply with such standards, the license or permit shall be suspended until notification is received from such State or interstate agency or the Secretary that there is reasonable assurance that such activity will comply with applicable water quality standards.

“(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of any department or agency pursuant to any other provision of law to require compliance with applicable water quality standards. The Secretary shall, upon the request of any Federal department or agency, or State or interstate agency, or applicant, provide, for the purpose of this section, any relevant information on applicable water quality standards, and shall, when requested by any such department or agency or State or interstate agency, or applicant, comment on any methods to comply with such standards.

“(d) In order to implement the provisions of this section, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized, if he deems it to be in the public interest, to permit the use of spoil disposal areas under his jurisdiction by Federal licensees or permittees, and to make an appropriate charge for such use. Moneys received from such licensees or permittees shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.”

SEC. 104. Redesignated section 22 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(f) (1) It is the purpose of this subsection to authorize a program which will provide official recognition by the United States Government to those industrial organizations and political subdivisions of States which during the preceding year demonstrated an outstanding technological achievement or an innovative process, method or device in their waste treatment and pollution abatement programs. The Secretary shall, in consultation with the appropriate State water pollution control agency, establish regulations under which such recognition may be applied for and granted, except that no applicant shall be eligible for an award under this subsection if such applicant is not in total compliance with all applicable water quality standards under this Act, and otherwise does not have a satisfactory record with respect to environmental quality.

Failure to
comply, license
suspension.

Ante, p. 91.

“(2) The Secretary shall award a certificate or plaque of suitable design to each industrial organization or political subdivision which qualifies for such recognition under regulations established by this subsection.

Awards.

“(3) The President of the United States, the Governor of the appropriate State, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President pro tempore of the Senate shall be notified of the award by the Secretary, and the awarding of such recognition shall be published in the Federal Register.”

Notification to President of U.S., etc.

Publication in Federal Register.

SEC. 105. Section 5 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, is amended as follows:

(1) by redesignating subsections (g) and (h) as (m) and (n), respectively, including all references thereto;

70 Stat. 499;
75 Stat. 205;
79 Stat. 903;
80 Stat. 1247.
33 USC 466c.

(2) by inserting after subsection (f) the following new subsections:

Manpower and development training program.

“(g) (1) For the purpose of providing an adequate supply of trained personnel to operate and maintain existing and future treatment works and related activities, and for the purpose of enhancing substantially the proficiency of those engaged in such activities, the Secretary shall finance a pilot program, in cooperation with State and interstate agencies, municipalities, educational institutions, and other organizations and individuals, of manpower development and training and retraining of persons in, or entering into, the field of operation and maintenance of treatment works and related activities. Such program and any funds expended for such a program shall supplement, not supplant, other manpower and training programs and funds available for the purposes of this paragraph. The Secretary is authorized, under such terms and conditions as he deems appropriate, to enter into agreements with one or more States, acting jointly or severally, or with other public or private agencies or institutions for the development and implementation of such a program.

“(2) The Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with public and private agencies and institutions, and individuals to develop and maintain an effective system for forecasting the supply of, and demand for, various professional and other occupational categories needed for the prevention, control, and abatement of water pollution in each region, State, or area of the United States and, from time to time, to publish the results of such forecasts.

“(3) In furtherance of the purposes of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to—

“(A) make grants to public or private agencies and institutions and to individuals for training projects, and provide for the conduct of training by contract with public or private agencies and institutions and with individuals without regard to sections 3648 and 3709 of the Revised Statutes;

31 USC 529.
41 USC 5.

“(B) establish and maintain research fellowships in the Department of the Interior with such stipends and allowances, including traveling and subsistence expenses, as he may deem necessary to procure the assistance of the most promising research fellowships; and

“(C) provide, in addition to the program established under paragraph (1) of this subsection, training in technical matters relating to the causes, prevention, and control of water pollution for personnel of public agencies and other persons with suitable qualifications.

“(4) The Secretary shall submit, through the President, a report to the Congress within eighteen months from the date of enactment of this subsection, summarizing the actions taken under this subsection and the effectiveness of such actions, and setting forth the number of persons trained, the occupational categories for which training was

Report to President and Congress.

provided, the effectiveness of other Federal, State, and local training programs in this field, together with estimates of future needs, recommendations on improving training programs, and such other information and recommendations, including legislative recommendations, as he deems appropriate.

Contract authority.

“(h) The Secretary is authorized to enter into contracts with, or make grants to, public or private agencies and organizations and individuals for (A) the purpose of developing and demonstrating new or improved methods for the prevention, removal, and control of natural or manmade pollution in lakes, including the undesirable effects of nutrients and vegetation, and (B) the construction of publicly owned research facilities for such purpose.

Functions.

“(i) The Secretary shall—

“(A) engage in such research, studies, experiments, and demonstrations as he deems appropriate, relative to the removal of oil from any waters and to the prevention and control of oil pollution;

“(B) publish from time to time the results of such activities; and

Publication in Federal Register.

“(C) from time to time, develop and publish in the Federal Register specifications and other technical information on the various chemical compounds used as dispersants or emulsifiers in the control of oil spills.

In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary may enter into contracts with, or make grants to, public or private agencies and organizations and individuals.

Report to Congress.

“(j) The Secretary shall engage in such research, studies, experiments, and demonstrations as he deems appropriate relative to equipment which is to be installed on board a vessel and is designed to receive, retain, treat, or discharge human body wastes and the wastes from toilets and other receptacles intended to receive or retain body wastes with particular emphasis on equipment to be installed on small recreational vessels. The Secretary shall report to Congress the results of such research, studies, experiments, and demonstrations prior to the effective date of any standards established under section 13 of this Act. In carrying out this subsection the Secretary may enter into contracts with, or make grants to, public or private organizations and individuals.

Ante, p. 100.

“(k) In carrying out the provisions of this section relating to the conduct by the Secretary of demonstration projects and the development of field laboratories and research facilities, the Secretary may acquire land and interests therein by purchase, with appropriated or donated funds, by donation, or by exchange for acquired or public lands under his jurisdiction which he classifies as suitable for disposition. The values of the properties so exchanged either shall be approximately equal, or if they are not approximately equal, the values shall be equalized by the payment of cash to the grantor or to the Secretary as the circumstances require.

“(l)(1) The Secretary shall, after consultation with appropriate local, State, and Federal agencies, public and private organizations, and interested individuals, as soon as practicable but not later than two years after the effective date of this subsection, develop and issue to the States for the purpose of adopting standards pursuant to section 10(c) the latest scientific knowledge available in indicating the kind and extent of effects on health and welfare which may be expected from the presence of pesticides in the water in varying quantities. He shall revise and add to such information whenever necessary to reflect developing scientific knowledge.

79 Stat. 907.
33 USC 466g.

“(2) For the purpose of assuring effective implementation of standards adopted pursuant to paragraph (1) the President shall, in consultation with appropriate local, State, and Federal agencies, public and private organizations, and interested individuals, conduct a study and investigation of methods to control the release of pesticides into the environment which study shall include examination of the persistency of pesticides in the water environment and alternatives thereto. The President shall submit a report on such investigation to Congress together with his recommendations for any necessary legislation within two years after the effective date of this subsection.”

Pesticide re-
lease control
study.

Report to
Congress.

80 Stat. 1248.

(3) in redesignated subsection (m) (4) by striking out the words “and June 30, 1969,” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1969, June 30, 1970, and June 30, 1971.”;

(4) by amending the first sentence of redesignated subsection (n) to read as follows: “There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, other than subsection (g) (1) and (2), not to exceed \$65,000,000 per fiscal year for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1969, June 30, 1970, and June 30, 1971. There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (g) (1) of this section \$5,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and \$7,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971. There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (g) (2) of this section \$2,500,000 per fiscal year for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1970, and June 30, 1971.”

Ante, p. 111.

SEC. 106. Section 6(e) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 466c-1) is amended as follows:

Research and
development, ap-
propriation,
80 Stat. 1247.

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking out “three succeeding fiscal years” and inserting in lieu thereof “five succeeding fiscal years.”

(2) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking out “two succeeding fiscal years,” and inserting in lieu thereof “four succeeding fiscal years.”

(3) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking out “two succeeding fiscal years,” and inserting in lieu thereof “four succeeding fiscal years.”

SEC. 107. Redesignated section 24 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, is amended by deleting the following: “the Oil Pollution Act, 1924, or”.

Ante, p. 91.

SEC. 108. The Oil Pollution Act, 1924 (43 Stat. 604), as amended (80 Stat. 1246-1252), is hereby repealed.

Repeal.
33 USC 431.

SEC. 109. The Secretary of the Interior shall conduct a full and complete investigation and study of the feasibility of all methods of financing the cost of preventing, controlling, and abating water pollution, other than methods authorized by existing law. The results of such investigation and study shall be reported to Congress no later than December 31, 1970, together with the recommendations of the Secretary for financing the programs for preventing, controlling, and abating water pollution for the fiscal years beginning after fiscal year 1971, including any necessary legislation.

Prevention and
control study.

Report to Con-
gress.

SEC. 110. (a) The first sentence of section 2 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 466-1) is amended by striking out “Federal Water Pollution Control Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Federal Water Quality Administration”.

Federal Water
Quality Admin-
istration, desig-
nation.
79 Stat. 903.

(b) Any other law, reorganization plan, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States in which the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration is referred to shall be held to refer to the Federal Water Quality Administration.

SEC. 111. Section 8(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act is amended in the fourth sentence by inserting after “because of lack

75 Stat. 206;
79 Stat. 903.
33 USC 466e.

of funds" the following: "including States having projects eligible for reimbursement pursuant to the sixth and seventh sentences of this subsection".

SEC. 112. Section 10 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end of subsection (c) (3) the following new sentence: "In establishing such standards the Secretary, the hearing board, or the appropriate State authority shall take into consideration their use and value for navigation."

TITLE II—ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

SHORT TITLE

SEC. 201. This title may be cited as the "Environmental Quality Improvement Act of 1970."

FINDINGS, DECLARATIONS, AND PURPOSES

SEC. 202. (a) The Congress finds—

- (1) that man has caused changes in the environment;
- (2) that many of these changes may affect the relationship between man and his environment; and
- (3) that population increases and urban concentration contribute directly to pollution and the degradation of our environment.

(b) (1) The Congress declares that there is a national policy for the environment which provides for the enhancement of environmental quality. This policy is evidenced by statutes heretofore enacted relating to the prevention, abatement, and control of environmental pollution, water and land resources, transportation, and economic and regional development.

(2) The primary responsibility for implementing this policy rests with State and local governments.

(3) The Federal Government encourages and supports implementation of this policy through appropriate regional organizations established under existing law.

(c) The purposes of this title are—

- (1) to assure that each Federal department and agency conducting or supporting public works activities which affect the environment shall implement the policies established under existing law; and

(2) to authorize an Office of Environmental Quality, which, notwithstanding any other provision of law, shall provide the professional and administrative staff for the Council on Environmental Quality established by Public Law 91-190.

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

SEC. 203. (a) There is established in the Executive Office of the President an office to be known as the Office of Environmental Quality (hereafter in this title referred to as the "Office"). The Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality established by Public Law 91-190 shall be the Director of the Office. There shall be in the Office a Deputy Director who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(b) The compensation of the Deputy Director shall be fixed by the President at a rate not in excess of the annual rate of compensation payable to the Deputy Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

(c) The Director is authorized to employ such officers and employees (including experts and consultants) as may be necessary to enable the

Water quality
standards.
79 Stat. 908.
33 USC 466g.

Office of
Environmental
Quality.
Authorization.
83 Stat. 854.
42 USC 4341-
4347.

Establishment.

83 Stat. 854.
42 USC 4341-
4347.

Compensation.

Duties.

Office to carry out its functions under this title and Public Law 91-190, except that he may employ no more than ten specialists and other experts without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, and pay such specialists and experts without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates, but no such specialist or expert shall be paid at a rate in excess of the maximum rate for GS-18 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5.

(d) In carrying out his functions the Director shall assist and advise the President on policies and programs of the Federal Government affecting environmental quality by—

(1) providing the professional and administrative staff and support for the Council on Environmental Quality established by Public Law 91-190;

(2) assisting the Federal agencies and departments in appraising the effectiveness of existing and proposed facilities, programs, policies, and activities of the Federal Government, and those specific major projects designated by the President which do not require individual project authorization by Congress, which affect environmental quality;

(3) reviewing the adequacy of existing systems for monitoring and predicting environmental changes in order to achieve effective coverage and efficient use of research facilities and other resources;

(4) promoting the advancement of scientific knowledge of the effects of actions and technology on the environment and encourage the development of the means to prevent or reduce adverse effects that endanger the health and well-being of man;

(5) assisting in coordinating among the Federal departments and agencies those programs and activities which affect, protect, and improve environmental quality;

(6) assisting the Federal departments and agencies in the development and interrelationship of environmental quality criteria and standards established through the Federal Government;

(7) collecting, collating, analyzing, and interpreting data and information on environmental quality, ecological research, and evaluation.

(e) The Director is authorized to contract with public or private agencies, institutions, and organizations and with individuals without regard to sections 3648 and 3709 of the Revised Statutes (31 U.S.C. 529; 41 U.S.C. 5) in carrying out his functions.

5 USC 5101-5115, 5331-5338.

Post, p. 198-1.

83 Stat. 854.
42 USC 4341-4347.

Contract authority.

REPORT

SEC. 204. Each Environmental Quality Report required by Public Law 91-190 shall, upon transmittal to Congress, be referred to each standing committee having jurisdiction over any part of the subject matter of the Report.

Referral to congressional committees.

AUTHORIZATION

SEC. 205. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, not to exceed \$750,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, not to exceed \$1,250,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, and not to exceed \$1,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973. These authorizations are in addition to those contained in Public Law 91-190.

Appropriations.

83 Stat. 856.
42 USC 4347.

Approved April 3, 1970.