§ 1754. Foreign currencies

(a) Availability and use

Notwithstanding section 1306 of title 31, or any other provision of law, proceeds of sales made under section 1675p \(^1\) of this title, shall remain available and shall be used for any of the purposes of this chapter, giving particular regard to the following purposes—

1. for providing military assistance to nations or mutual defense organizations eligible to receive assistance under this chapter;
2. for purchase of goods or services in friendly nations;
3. for loans, under applicable provisions of this chapter, to increase production of goods or services, including strategic materials, needed in any nation with which an agreement was negotiated, or in other friendly nations, with the authority to use currencies received in repayment for the purposes stated in the section or for deposit to the general account of the Treasury of the United States;
4. for developing new markets on a mutually beneficial basis;
5. for grants-in-aid to increase production for domestic needs in friendly countries; and
6. for purchasing materials for United States stockpiles.

(b) Availability to Members and employees of Congress; authorization requirements; reports

1. (A) Notwithstanding section 1306 of title 31, or any other provision of law—
   
   i. local currencies owned by the United States which are in excess of the amounts reserved under section 2362 (a) of this title and of the requirements of the United States Government in payment of its obligations outside of the United States, as such requirements may be determined from time to time by the President; and
   
   ii. any other local currencies owned by the United States in amounts not to exceed the equivalent of $75 per day per person or the maximum per diem allowance established under the authority of subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5 for employees of the United States Government while traveling in a foreign country, whichever is greater, exclusive of the actual cost of transportation;

   shall be made available to Members and employees of the Congress for their local currency expenses when authorized as provided in subparagraph (B).

2. (B) The authorization required for purposes of subparagraph (A) may be provided—

   i. by the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the case of a Member or employee of the House;
   
   ii. by the chairman of a standing or select committee of the House of Representatives in the case of a member or employee of that committee;
   
   iii. by the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Majority Leader of the Senate, or the Minority Leader of the Senate, in the case of a Member or employee of the Senate;
   
   iv. by the chairman of a standing, select, or special committee of the Senate in the case of a member or employee of that committee or of an employee of a member of that committee; and
   
   v. by the chairman of a joint committee of the Congress in the case of a member or employee of that committee.
Whenever local currencies owned by the United States are not otherwise available for purposes of this subsection, the Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase such local currencies as may be necessary for such purposes, using any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(2) On a quarterly basis, the chairman of each committee of the House of Representatives or the Senate and of each joint committee of the Congress shall prepare a consolidated report which itemizes the amounts and dollar equivalent values of each foreign currency expended and the amounts of dollar expenditures from appropriated funds in connection with travel outside the United States, stating the purposes of the expenditures including per diem (lodging and meals), transportation, and other purposes, and which shows the total itemized expenditures, by such committee and by each member or employee of such committee (including in the case of a committee of the Senate, each employee of a member of the committee who received an authorization under paragraph (1) from the chairman of the committee); and

(B) shall forward such consolidated report to the Clerk of the House of Representatives (if the committee is a committee of the House of Representatives or a joint committee whose funds are disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House) or to the Secretary of the Senate (if the committee is a committee of the Senate or a joint committee whose funds are disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate). Each such consolidated report shall be open to public inspection and shall be published in the Congressional Record within ten legislative days after the report is forwarded pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, such consolidated report may, in the discretion of the chairman of the committee, omit such information as would identify the foreign countries in which members and employees of that committee traveled.

(3) (A) Each Member or employee who receives an authorization under paragraph (1) from the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Majority Leader of the Senate, or the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall within thirty days after the completion of the travel involved, submit a report setting forth the information specified in paragraph (2), to the extent applicable, to the Clerk of the House of Representatives (in the case of a Member of the House or an employee whose salary is disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House) or the Secretary of the Senate (in the case of a Member of the Senate or an employee whose salary is disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate). In the case of an authorization for a group of Members or employees, such reports shall be submitted for all Members of the group by its chairman, or if there is no designated chairman, by the ranking Member or if the group does not include a Member, by the senior employee in the group. Each report submitted pursuant to this subparagraph shall be open to public inspection.

(B) On a quarterly basis, the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate shall each prepare a consolidation of the reports received by them under this paragraph with respect to expenditures during the preceding quarter by each Member and employee or by each group in the case of expenditures made on behalf of a group which are not allocable to individual members of the group. Each such consolidation shall be open to public inspection and shall be published in the Congressional Record within ten legislative days after its completion.

Footnotes
1 See References in Text note below.
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References in Text

Section 1675p of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was repealed by section 542(a)(9) of act Aug. 26, 1954, and is covered by section 1922 of this title.

Codification


Amendments

1996—Subsec. (b)(2), (3)(A). Pub. L. 104–186 substituted “by the Chief Administrative Officer” for “by the Clerk”.

1978—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95–384, among other changes, inserted provisions requiring authorization by certain individuals of local currency expenses of members of employees of Congress and requiring each member or employee who has received an authorization for his local currency expenses to submit a report within 30 days setting forth certain specified information.

1976—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94–440 inserted “and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate” after “Joint Committee on Congressional Operations” and inserted provision authorizing chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate to omit information from the consolidated report that would identify the foreign countries in which members and employees of such committee traveled.

Pub. L. 94–350 required publication of each consolidated report in the Congressional Record within ten legislative days after being forwarded pursuant to subsec. (b).


Pub. L. 94–459 struck out provisions requiring each member or employee to make, to the chairman of the committee in accordance with regulations prescribed by the committee, an itemized report showing the amounts and dollar equivalent values of each foreign currency expended and the amounts of dollar expenditures made from appropriated funds in connection with travel outside the United States, together with the purposes of the expenditure, including lodging, meals, transportation, and other purposes, and, in the provision requiring a consolidated report by the chairman of each committee within the first sixty-days that Congress is in session in each calendar year, inserted requirement that such report itemize those items, struck out references to subcommittees, substituted “Committee on House Administration” for “Clerk”, and inserted provision for public inspection.

1974—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93–371 inserted provisions requiring each member or employee of any committee to make to the chairman, in accordance with prescribed regulations, an itemized report showing the amounts of foreign currency expended and dollar expenditure made from appropriated funds in connection with travel outside the United States, and substituted provisions relating to the preparation and submission of a consolidated report by the chairman, within the first sixty days that Congress is in session in each calendar year, showing total itemized expenditures during the preceding calendar year of the committee, for provisions relating to the submission by the Department of State to the chairman of each committee, within the first ninety calendar days that Congress is in session in each calendar year, showing amounts and equivalent dollar values of foreign currency expended during the preceding calendar year for travel outside the United States.

1973—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93–126 substituted “$75” for “$50” and “shall be made available to Members and employees of appropriate committees” for “shall be made available to appropriate committees” and substituted a reporting procedure under which the Department of State, within the first 90 calendar days that Congress is in session in each calendar year, submits a report covering the amounts and dollar equivalent values of each foreign currency...
expended by each Member and employee with respect to travel outside the United States, with such report to be available for public inspection, for a reporting procedure under which both the amounts and dollar equivalent values of each foreign currency expended and the amount of dollar expenditures made from appropriated funds with respect to travel outside the United States were reported within the first 60 days that Congress was in session in each calendar year, with each such report published in the Congressional Record.

1964—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 88–633 inserted “which are in excess of the amounts reserved under section 2362 (a) of this title and of the requirements of the United States Government in payment of its obligations outside the United States, as such requirements may be determined from time to time by the President (and any other local currencies owned by the United States in amounts not to exceed the equivalent of $50 per day per person exclusive of the actual cost of transportation)”.

1961—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 87–195 repealed subsec. (c) which related to the preservation of cultural monuments of the Upper Nile.

1960—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 86–628 required inclusion in the reports of expenditures of each member and employee of the committees and subcommittees.

Pub. L. 86–472, § 401(a)(1), required members and employees of committees to report the amounts of dollar expenditures made from appropriated funds in connection with travel outside the United States, and provided that the consolidated report shall show the total itemized expenditures incurred as a result of official activities of members and employees of committees or subcommittees.


1958—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 85–766 required reports to the Select Committee on Astronautics and Space Exploration of the House of Representatives and the Special Committee on Space and Aeronautics of the Senate.

Pub. L. 85–477 required each member or employee of the committees to make an itemized report to the chairman of his committee, provided that the chairman shall consolidate the reports and forward the consolidated report to the appropriate Congressional committee within the first 60 days that Congress is in session in each year, and required publication of each report in the Congressional Record.

1956—Subsec. (b). Act July 18, 1956, substituted “Joint Economic Committee and the Select Committees on Small Business of the Senate and House of Representatives” for “Joint Committee on the Economic Report”.


1954—Subsec. (b). Act Sept. 3, 1954, substituted “Committee on Appropriations of the Senate” for “Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate”.

Effective Date of 1978 Amendment

Section 22(b) of Pub. L. 95–384 provided that: “Notwithstanding section 30 of this Act [set out as a note below], the amendment made by subsection (a) of this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act [Sept. 26, 1978].”

Short Title of 1960 Amendment

Pub. L. 86–735, Sept. 8, 1960, 74 Stat. 869, as amended, which enacted sections 1942 to 1945 of this title and amended section 1753a of this title, is known as the “Latin American Development Act”. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1942 of this title and Tables.

Short Title

Section 1 of act Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, 68 Stat. 832, as amended by act June 30, 1958, Pub. L. 85–477, § 2, 72 Stat. 261, provided in part: “That this act [enacting this chapter, section 281b–2 of this title, and section 151c of former Title 5, Executive Departments and Government Officers and Employees, amending sections 279a, 281b, 290b, 1148, 1442, and 2658 of this title, section 1704 of Title 7, Agriculture, section 1441 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code, and section 1641 of Title 50, App., War and National Defense, and enacting provisions set out as notes under section 1751 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Mutual Security Act of 1954’.”

Transfer of Functions

Certain functions of Clerk of House of Representatives transferred to Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services by section 7 of House Resolution No. 423, One Hundred Second Congress, Apr. 9, 1992. Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services replaced by Chief Administrative Officer of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.
Delegation of Functions

For delegation of functions of President under this section, see Ex. Ord. No. 12163, Sept. 29, 1979, 44 F.R. 56673, as amended, set out as a note under section 2381 of this title.

International Security Assistance Act of 1978 Not To Affect Authorizations of Appropriations and Limitations of Authority Applicable to Fiscal Year 1978

Section 30 of Pub. L. 95–384 provided that: “Enactment of this Act [see Short Title of 1978 Amendment note set out under section 2151 of this title] shall not affect the authorizations of appropriations and limitations of authority applicable to the fiscal year 1978 which are contained in provisions of law amended by this Act (other than sections 31(a), (b), and (d) of the Arms Export Control Act [section 2771 (a), (b), and (d) of this title]).”