

Public Law 93-311

June 8, 1974
[S. 1752]

AN ACT

Prescribing the objectives and functions of the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality.

National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality.
15 USC 1026.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) it is the policy of the United States to promote increased productivity and to improve the morale and quality of work of the American worker, for the purpose of providing goods and services at low cost to American consumers, improving the competitive position of the United States in the international economy, and facilitating a more satisfying work experience for American workers.

(b) The President's National Commission on Productivity shall hereafter be referred to as the National Commission on Productivity and Work Quality (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission"). The Commission shall carry out the objectives and exercise the functions hereinafter prescribed.

Objectives.

(c) The objectives of the Commission shall be to help increase the productivity of the American economy and to help improve the morale and quality of work of the American worker.

Functions.

(d) To achieve the objectives of subsection (c), the Commission shall have the following primary functions:

(1) To encourage and assist in the organization and work of labor-management committees which may also include public members, on a plant, community, regional, and industry basis. Such committees may be specifically designed to facilitate labor-management cooperation to increase productivity or to help improve the morale and quality of work of the American worker.

(2) To conduct such research as is directly necessary to achieve each of the objectives set forth in subsection (c) when such research cannot appropriately be accomplished by other Government agencies or private organizations.

(3) To publicize, disseminate, and otherwise promote material and ideas relating to its objectives.

(e) In addition to its functions under subsection (d) the Commission shall—

(1) advise the President and the Congress with respect to Government policy affecting productivity and the quality of work;

(2) coordinate and promote Government research and technical assistance efforts relating to productivity; and

(3) provide technical and consulting assistance.

(f) In pursuing its objectives under subsection (c), and in carrying out its functions under subsections (d) and (e), the Commission shall concentrate its efforts on those areas where such efforts are likely to make the most substantial impact on—

(A) the morale and quality of work of the American worker;

(B) the international competitive position of the United States;

(C) the efficiency of government; or

(D) the cost of those goods and services which are generally considered to fulfill the most basic needs of Americans.

(g)(1) The Executive Director of the Commission shall be the principal executive officer of the Commission in carrying out the objectives and functions of the Commission under this section.

Publicity and promotion.

Areas of concentration.

(2) The Executive Director of the Commission, with the approval of the Chairman of the Commission, is authorized (A) to appoint and fix the compensation of such officers and employees, and prescribe their functions and duties, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, and (B) to obtain the services of experts and consultants in accordance with the provisions of section 3109 of title 5, United States Code.

Experts and consultants.

(3) The Commission may accept gifts or bequests, either for carrying out specific programs which it deems desirable or for its general activities.

Gifts, acceptance.

(h) In carrying out its activities under this section, the Commission shall consult with the Council of Economic Advisers.

(i) The Commission shall transmit to the President and to the Congress, not later than July 1, 1974, a report covering its activities during Fiscal Year 1974 and describing in detail the program to be carried out by the Commission under this section during Fiscal Year 1975. Such report shall include an explanation of how the Commission's program has complied or will comply, as the case may be, with the provisions of subsection (f).

Report to President and Congress.

(j) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not to exceed \$2,500,000, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section during the period from July 1, 1974, through June 30, 1975.

Appropriation.

Approved June 8, 1974.

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AN ACT

To amend the Department of State Appropriations Authorization Act of 1973 to authorize additional appropriations for the fiscal year 1974, and for other purposes.

June 8, 1974
[H. R. 12466]

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

Department of State Appropriations Authorization Act of 1973, amendments.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SECTION 1. Section 2(a) (1) of the Department of State Appropriations Authorization Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 451), providing authorization of appropriations for the Administration of Foreign Affairs, is amended by striking out "\$282,565,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$304,568,000".

SEC. 2. Section 2(a) (2) of such Act (87 Stat. 451), providing authorization of appropriations for International Organizations and Conferences, is amended by striking out "\$211,279,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$212,777,000".

SEC. 3. Section 2(a) (3) of such Act (87 Stat. 451), providing authorization of appropriations for International Commissions, is amended by striking out "\$15,568,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$12,528,000".

SEC. 4. Section 2(a) (4) of such Act (87 Stat. 451), providing authorization of appropriations for Educational Exchange, is amended by striking out "\$59,800,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$57,170,000".

SEC. 5. Section 2(b) (1) of such Act (87 Stat. 451), providing authorization of appropriations for increases in salary, pay, retirement, or other employee benefits authorized by law, is amended by striking out "\$9,328,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$16,711,000".