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96TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 1429

[Report No. 96-558]

To extend the Museum Services Act for two years, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 27 (legislative day, JUNE 21), 1979

Mr. PELL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the
Committee on Labor and Human Resources

JANUARY 29 (legislative day, JANUARY 3), 1980

Reported by Mr. PELL, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To extend the Museum Services Act for two years, and for
other purposes.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 ~~That this Act may be cited as the "Museum Services Amend-~~
4 ~~ments of 1979".~~

1 **SEC. 2.** Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is
2 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sub-
3 section:

4 **“(e) Procedures for reviewing grant applications under**
5 **this section may not be subject to any review outside of the**
6 **Institute.”.**

7 **SEC. 3.** (a) Section 209 of the Museum Services Act is
8 amended by striking out “each of the fiscal years 1979 and
9 1980” and inserting in lieu thereof “the fiscal year 1979 and
10 for each of the succeeding fiscal years ending prior to Octo-
11 ber 1, 1982”.

12 (b) Section 209(d) of such Act is amended by striking
13 out “1980” and inserting in lieu thereof “1982”.

14 *That this Act may be cited as the “Museum Services Amend-*
15 *ments of 1980”.*

16 *SEC. 2.* Section 205 of the Museum Services Act is
17 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sub-
18 section:

19 *“(c) The Director may appoint without regard to the*
20 *provisions of title 5 of the United States Code governing ap-*
21 *pointment in the competitive service and may compensate*
22 *without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 of subchapter*
23 *III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and*
24 *General Schedule pay rates not to exceed one-fifth of the*
25 *number of full-time regular technical or professional employ-*

1 *ees of the Institute. The rate of basic compensation for such*
2 *employees may not equal or exceed the rate prescribed for*
3 *GS-16 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title*
4 *5, United States Code.”.*

5 *SEC. 3. (a) Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is*
6 *amended by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c)*
7 *and by adding after subsection (a) the following new subsec-*
8 *tion:*

9 *“(b)(1) The Director, subject to the policy direction of*
10 *the National Museum Services Board, is authorized to enter*
11 *into contracts and cooperative agreements with professional*
12 *museum organizations to provide financial assistance to such*
13 *organizations in order to enable such organizations to under-*
14 *take projects designed to strengthen museum services.*

15 *“(2)(A) No financial assistance may be made under*
16 *this subsection for any project for a period in excess of one*
17 *year.*

18 *“(B) No grant may be made under this subsection to*
19 *pay for the operational expenses of any professional museum*
20 *organization.*

21 *“(3) The aggregate amount of financial assistance made*
22 *under this subsection to professional museum organizations*
23 *shall not exceed 5 per centum of the amount appropriated*
24 *under this Act for that fiscal year.*

1 “(4) The term ‘professional museum organization’
2 means a nonprofit professional museum-related organization,
3 institution, or association which engages in activities de-
4 signed to advance the well-being of museums and the
5 museum profession.”.

6 (b) Section 206(c) of such Act (as redesignated by sub-
7 section (a)) is amended—

8 (1) by inserting “, contracts and cooperative
9 agreements” after “Grants”;

10 (2) by inserting “or financial assistance” after
11 “grant”; and

12 (3) by inserting “or financial assistance” after
13 “grants”.

14 SEC. 4. Section 206 of the Museum Services Act is
15 further amended by adding at the end thereof the following
16 new subsection:

17 “(d) The Director shall establish procedures for review-
18 ing and evaluating grants, contracts and cooperative agree-
19 ments made or entered into under this section. Procedures for
20 reviewing grant applications or contracts and cooperative
21 agreements for financial assistance under this section may
22 not be subject to any review outside of the Institute.”.

23 SEC. 5. (a) Section 209 of the Museum Services Act is
24 amended by striking out “and” and by inserting before the
25 period at the end thereof a comma and the following:

1 *“\$21,500,000 for fiscal year 1981, and \$28,000,000 for*
2 *fiscal year 1982”.*

3 *(b) Section 209(d) of such Act is amended by striking*
4 *out “1980” and inserting in lieu thereof “1982”.*

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