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ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
ACT OF 1976

JANUARY, 1976.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. ............., from the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. ——]

The Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, to which was referred the bill (S. ——) to amend and extend the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, to provide for the improvement of museum services, and to provide indemnities for exhibitions of artistic and humanistic endeavors, and for other purposes, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with an amendment and recommends that the bill as amended do pass.
CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection (4) of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES ACT OF 1965, AS AMENDED

AN ACT To provide for the establishment of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities to promote progress and scholarship in the humanities and the arts in the United States, and for other purposes

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

SEC. 2. (20 U.S.C. 951) The Congress hereby finds and declares—
(1) that the encouragement and support of national progress and scholarship in the humanities and the arts, while primarily a matter for private and local initiative, is also an appropriate matter of concern to the Federal Government;
(2) that a high civilization must not limit its efforts to science and technology alone but must give full value and support to the other great branches of man's scholarly and cultural activity in order to achieve a better understanding of the past, a better analysis of the present, and a better view of the future;
(3) that democracy demands wisdom and vision in its citizens and that it must therefore foster and support a form of education designed to make men masters of their technology and not its unthinking servant;
(4) that it is necessary and appropriate for the Federal Government to complement, assist, and add to programs for the advancement of the humanities and the arts by local, State, regional, and private agencies and their organizations;
(5) that the practice of art and the study of the humanities requires constant dedication and devotion and that, while no government can call a great artist or scholar into existence, it is necessary and appropriate for the Federal Government to help create and sustain not only a climate encouraging freedom of thought, imagination, and inquiry but also the material conditions facilitating the release of this creative talent;
(6) that the world leadership which has come to the United States cannot rest solely upon superior power, wealth, and technology, but must be solidly founded upon worldwide respect and admiration for the Nation's high qualities as a leader in the realm of ideas and of the spirit; and
(7) that, in order to implement these findings, it is desirable to establish a National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.
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DEFINITIONS

Sec. 3. (20 U.S.C. 952) As used in this Act—

(a) The term "humanities" includes, but is not limited to, the study of the following: language, both modern and classical; linguistics; literature; history; jurisprudence; philosophy; archeology; comparative religion; ethics; the history, criticism, theory, and practice of the arts; those aspects of the social sciences which have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods; and the study and application of the humanities to the human environment with particular attention to the relevance of the humanities to the current conditions of national life.

(b) The term "the arts" includes, but is not limited to, music (instrumental and vocal), dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture and allied fields, painting, sculpture, photography, graphic and craft arts, industrial design, costume and fashion design, motion pictures, television, radio, tape and sound recording, the arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of such major art forms, and the study and application of the arts to the human environment.

(c) The term "production" means plays (with or without music), ballet, dance and choral performances, concerts, recitals, operas, exhibitions, readings, motion pictures, television, radio, and tape and sound recordings, and any other activities involving the execution or rendition of the arts and meeting such standards as may be approved by the National Endowment for the Arts established by section 5 of this Act.

(d) The term "project" means programs organized to carry out the purposes of this Act, including programs to foster American artistic creativity, to commission works of art, to create opportunities for individuals to develop artistic talents when carried on as a part of a program otherwise included in this definition, and to develop and enhance public knowledge and understanding of the arts, and includes, where appropriate, rental or purchase of facilities, purchase or rental of land, and acquisition of equipment. Such term also includes—

(1) the renovation of facilities if (A) the amount of the expenditure of Federal funds for such purpose in the case of any project does not exceed $250,000, or (B) two-thirds of the members of the National Council on the Arts (who are present and voting) approve of the grant or contract involving an expenditure for such purpose; and

(2) the construction of facilities if (A) such construction is for demonstration purposes or under unusual circumstances where there is no other manner in which to accomplish an artistic purpose, and (B) two-thirds of the members of the National Council on the Arts (who are present and voting) approve of the grant or contract involving an expenditure for such purpose.

(e) The term "group" includes any State or other public agency, and any nonprofit society, institution, organization, association, museum, or establishment in the United States, whether or not incorporated.

(f) The term "workshop" means an activity the primary purpose of which is to encourage the artistic development or enjoyment of amateur, student, or other nonprofessional participants, or to promote scholarship and teaching among the participants.

(g) The term "State" includes, in addition to the several States of the Union, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Sec. 4. (20 U.S.C. 953) (a) There is established a National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation"), which shall be composed of a National Endowment of the Arts, a National Endowment for the Humanities, and a Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities (hereinafter established).

(b) The purpose of the Foundation shall be to develop and promote a broadly conceived national policy of support for the humanities and the arts in the United States pursuant to this Act.
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(c) In the administration of this Act no department, agency, officer, or employee of the United States shall exercise any direction, supervision, or control over the policy determination, personnel, or curriculum, or the administration or operation of any school or other non-Federal agency, institution, organization, or association.

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS**

SEC. 5. (20 U.S.C. 954) (a) There is established within the Foundation a National Endowment for the Arts.

(b) (1) The Endowment shall be headed by a chairman, to be known as the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(2) The term of office of the Chairman shall be four years and the Chairman shall be eligible for reappointment. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any person appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of Chairman. Upon expiration of his term of office the Chairman shall serve until his successor shall have been appointed and shall have qualified.

(c) The Chairman, with the advice of the National Council on the Arts, is authorized to establish and carry out a program of contracts with, or grants-in-aid to, groups or, in appropriate cases, individuals of exceptional talent engaged in or concerned with the arts, for the purpose of enabling them to provide or support in the United States—

(1) projects and productions which have substantial artistic and cultural significance, giving emphasis to American creativity and maintenance and encouragement of professional excellence;

(2) projects and productions, meeting professional standards or standards of authenticity, irrespective of origin, which are of significant merit and which, without such assistance, would otherwise be unavailable to our citizens for geographic or economic reasons;

(3) projects and productions that will encourage and assist artists and enable them to achieve wider distribution of their works, to work in residence at an educational or cultural institution, or to achieve standards of professional excellence;

(4) workshops that will encourage and develop the appreciation and enjoyment of the arts by our citizens;

(5) other relevant projects, including surveys, research, planning, and publications relating to the purposes of this subsection.

In the case of publications under clause (5) of this subsection such publications may be supported without regard for the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, only if the Chairman consults with the Joint Committee on Printing of the Congress and the Chairman submits to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare of the Senate and the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives a report justifying any exemption from such section 501.

(d) No payment may be made to any group under this section except upon application therefor which is submitted to the National Endowment for the Arts in accordance with regulations and procedures established by the Chairman.

(e) The total amount of any grant to any group pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall not exceed 50 per centum of the total cost of such project or production, except that not more than 20 per centum of the funds allotted by the National Endowment for the Arts for the purposes of subsection (c) for any fiscal year may be available for grants and contracts in that fiscal year without regard to such limitation.

(f) Any group shall be eligible for financial assistance pursuant to this section only if (1) no part of its net earnings insures to the benefit of any private stockholder or stockholders, or individual or individuals, and (2) donations to such group are allowable as a charitable contribution under the standards of subsection (c) of section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.
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(g) (1) The Chairman, with the advice of the National Council on the Arts, is authorized to establish and carry out a program of grants-in-aid to assist the several States in supporting existing projects and productions which meet the standards enumerated in section 5(c) of this Act, and in developing projects and productions in the arts in such a manner as will furnish adequate programs, facilities, and services in the arts to all the people and communities in each of the several States.

(2) In order to receive assistance under this subsection in any fiscal year, a State shall submit an application for such grants at such time as shall be specified by the Chairman and accompany such applications with a plan which the Chairman finds—

(A) designates or provides for the establishment of a State agency (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “State agency”) as the sole agency for the administration of the State plan, except that in the case of the District of Columbia the Recreation Board, or any successor designated for the purpose of this Act by the Commissioner of the District of Columbia, shall be the “State agency”;

(B) provides that funds paid to the State under this subsection will be expended solely on projects and productions approved by the State agency which carry out one or more of the objectives of subsection (c); and

(C) provides that the State agency will make such reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Chairman may from time to time require.

(3) Of the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year, each State which has a plan approved by the Chairman shall be allotted at least $200,000. If the sums appropriated are insufficient to make the allotments under the preceding sentence in full, such sums shall be allotted among such States in equal amounts. In any case where the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year are in excess of the amount required to make the allotments under the first sentence of this paragraph—

(A) the amount of such excess which is no greater than 25 per centum of the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year shall be available only to the Chairman for making grants under this subsection to States and regional groups, and

(B) the amount of such excess, if any, which remains after reserving full for the Chairman the amount required under clause (A) shall be allotted among the States which have plans approved by the Chairman in equal amounts, but in no event shall any State be allotted less than $200,000.

(4) (A) The amount of any allotment made under paragraph (3) for any fiscal year which exceeds $125,000 shall be available, at the discretion of the Chairman, to pay up to 100 per centum of such cost of projects and productions if such project and productions would otherwise be unavailable to the residents of that State: Provided, That the total amount of any such allotment for any fiscal year which is exempted from such 50 per centum limitation shall not exceed 20 per centum of the total of such allotment for such fiscal year.

(B) Any amount allotted to a State under the first sentence of paragraph (3) for any fiscal year which is not obligated by the State prior to 60 days prior to the end of the fiscal year for which such funds are appropriated shall be available for making grants to regional groups.

(C) Funds made available under this subsection shall not be used to supplant non-Federal funds.

(D) For the purpose of paragraph (3) and paragraph (4) of this section the term “regional group” means any multistate group, whether or not representative of contiguous States.

(5) All amounts allotted or made available under paragraph (3) for a fiscal year which are not granted to a State during such year shall be available at the end of such year to the National Endowment for the Arts for the purpose of carrying out section 5(c).

(h) Whenever the Chairman, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing, finds that—

(1) a group is not complying substantially with the provisions of this section;
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(2) a State agency is not complying substantially with the terms and conditions of its State plan approved under this section; or

(3) any funds granted to a group or State agency under this section have been diverted from the purposes for which they were allotted or paid,

the Chairman shall immediately notify the Secretary of the Treasury and the group or State agency with respect to which such finding was made that no further grants will be made under this section to such group or agency until there is no longer any default or failure to comply or the diversion has been corrected, or, of compliance or correction is impossible, until such group or agency repays or arranges the repayment of the Federal funds which have been improperly diverted or expended.

(i) It shall be a condition of the receipt of any grant under this section that the group or individual of exceptional talent or the State or State agency receiving such grant furnish adequate assurances to the Secretary of Labor that (1) all professional performers and related or supporting professional personnel (other than laborers and mechanics with respect to whom labor standards are prescribed in subsection (j) of this section) employed on projects or productions which are financed in whole or in part under this section will be paid, without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account, not less than the minimum compensation as determined by the Secretary of Labor to be the prevailing minimum compensation for persons employed in similar activities; and (2) no part of any project or production which is financed in whole or in part under this section will be performed or engaged in under working conditions which are unsanitary or hazardous or dangerous to the health and safety of the employees engaged in such project or production. Compliance with the safety and sanitary laws of the State in which the performance or part thereof is to take place shall be prima facie evidence of compliance. The Secretary of Labor shall have the authority to prescribe standards, regulations, and procedures as he may deem necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

(j) It shall be a condition of the receipt of any grant under this section that the group or individual of exceptional talent or the State or State agency receiving such grant furnish adequate assurances to the Secretary of Labor that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors on construction projects assisted under this section shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a—276a-5). The Secretary of Labor shall have with respect to the labor standards specified in this subsection the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (15 F.R. 3176; 5 U.S.C. 133z-15) and section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276c).

(k) The Chairman shall correlate the programs of the National Endowment for the Arts insofar as practicable, with existing Federal programs and with those undertaken by other public agencies or private groups, and shall develop the programs of the Endowment with due regard to the contribution to the objectives of this Act which can be made by other Federal agencies under existing programs.

(l) The Chairman is authorized to make grants to the American Film Institute, a nonprofit corporation incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia, for the purposes described in subsection (c).
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**NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS**

Sec. 6. (20 U.S.C. 955) (a) There shall be, within the National Endowment for the Arts, a National Council on the Arts (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “Council”).

(b) The Council shall be composed of the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, who shall be Chairman of the Council, and twenty-six other members appointed by the President who shall be selected—

1. from among private citizens of the United States who are widely recognized for their broad knowledge of, or expertise in, or for their profound interest in, the arts;
2. so as to include practicing artists, civic cultural leaders, members of the museum profession, and others who are professionally engaged in the arts; and
3. so as collectively to provide an appropriate distribution of membership among the major art fields.

The President is requested, in the making of such appointments, to give consideration to such recommendations as may, from time to time, be submitted to him by leading national organizations in these fields.

(c) Each member shall hold office for a term of six years, and the terms of office shall be staggered. No member shall be eligible for reappointment during the two-year period following the expiration of his term. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed.

(d) The Council shall meet at the call of the Chairman but not less often than twice during each calendar year. Fourteen members of the Council shall constitute a quorum.

(e) Members shall receive compensation at a rate to be fixed by the Chairman but not to exceed the per diem equivalent of the rate authorized for grade GS-18 by section 5332 of title 5 of the United States Code and be allowed travel expenses including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5703) for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

(f) The Council shall (1) advise the Chairman with respect to policies, programs, and procedures for carrying out his functions, duties, or responsibilities under this Act, and (2) review applications for financial assistance under this Act and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman. The Chairman shall not approve or disapprove any such application until he has received the recommendation of the Council on such application, unless the Council fails to make a recommendation thereon within a reasonable time. In the case of an application involving $17,500, or less, the Chairman may approve or disapprove such request if such action is taken pursuant to the terms of a delegation of authority from the Council to the Chairman, and provided that each such action by the Chairman shall be reviewed by the Council; Provided, That the terms of any such delegation of authority shall not permit obligations for expenditure of funds under such delegation for any fiscal year which exceed an amount equal to 10 per centum of the sums appropriated for that fiscal year pursuant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of section 11(a).

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES**

Sec. 7. (20 U.S.C. 956) (a) There is established within the Foundation a National Endowment for the Humanities.

(b) (1) The Endowment shall be headed by a chairman, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

2. The term of office of the Chairman shall be four years, and the Chairman shall be eligible for reappointment. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to any person appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of the Chairman. Upon expiration of his term of office the Chair-
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(1) develop and encourage the pursuit of a national policy for the promotion of progress and scholarship in the humanities;
(2) initiate and support research and programs to strengthen the research and teaching potential of the United States in the humanities by making arrangements (including contracts, grants, loans, and other forms of assistance) with individuals of groups to support such activities; any loans made by the Endowment shall be made in accordance with terms and conditions approved by the Secretary of the Treasury;
(3) award fellowships and grants to institutions or individuals for training and workshops in the humanities. Fellowships awarded to individuals under this authority may be for the purpose of study or research at appropriate nonprofit institutions selected by the recipient of such aid, for stated periods of time;
(4) foster the interchange of information in the humanities;
(5) foster, through grants or other arrangements with groups, education in, and public understanding and appreciation of the humanities;
(6) support the publication of scholarly works in the humanities; and
(7) insure that the benefit of its programs will also be available to our citizens where such programs would otherwise be unavailable due to geographic or economic reasons.

In the case of publications under clause (6) of this subsection such publications may be supported without regard for the provisions of section 501 of title 44, United States Code, only if the Chairman consults with the Joint Committee on Printing of the Congress and the Chief Public Welfare Officers of the Senate and the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives a report justifying any exemption from such section 501.

(d) The Chairman shall correlate the programs of the National Endowment for the Humanities, in so far as practicable, with existing Federal programs and with those undertaken by other public agencies or private groups, and shall develop the programs of the Endowment with due regard to the contribution to the objectives of this Act which can be made by other Federal agencies under existing programs.

(e) The total amount of any grant under subsection (c) (3) to any group engaging in workshop activities for which an admission or other charge is made to the general public shall not exceed 30 per centum of the total cost of such activities.

(f) (1) The Chairman, with the advice of the National Council on the Humanities, is authorized to establish and carry out a program of grants-in-aid to assist the several States in supporting not more than 50 per centum of the cost of existing activities which meet the standards enumerated in subsection (c), and in developing programs in the humanities in such a manner as will furnish adequate programs in the humanities in each of the several States.

(2) In order to receive assistance under this subsection in any fiscal year, a State shall submit an application for such grants at such time as shall be specified by the Chairman and accompany such application with a plan which the Chairman finds—
(A) designates or provides for the establishment of a State agency (hereafter in this section referred to as the State agency) as the sole agency for the administration of the State plan;
(B) provides that funds paid to the State under this subsection will be expended solely on programs approved by the State agency which carry out one or more of the objectives of subsection (c); and
(C) provides that the State agency will make such reports, in such form, and containing such information, as the Chairman may, from time to time, require.

(3) Of the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year, each State which has a plan approved by the Chairman shall be allotted at least $100,000. If the sums appropriated are insufficient to make the allotments under the preceding sentence in full, such sums shall be allotted among such States in equal amounts. In any case where the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year are in excess of the amount required to make the allotments under the first sentence of this paragraph—
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(A) the amount of such excess which is no greater than 25 per centum of the sums available to carry out this subsection for any fiscal year shall be available to the Chairman for making grants under this subsection to States and regional groups; and

(B) the amount of such excess, if any, which remains after reserving in full for the Chairman the amount required under clause (A) shall be allotted among the States which have plans approved by the Chairman in equal amounts, but in no event shall any State be allotted less than $100,000.

(4) (A) That part of any allotment made under paragraph (3) for any fiscal year—

(i) which exceeds $62,500, but

(ii) which does not exceed 20 per centum of such allotment, shall be available, at the discretion of the Chairman, to pay up to 100 per centum of the cost of programs under this subsection if such programs would otherwise be unavailable to the residents of that State.

(B) Any amount allotted to a State under the first sentence of paragraph (3) for any fiscal year which is not obligated by the State prior to sixty days prior to the end of the fiscal year for which such sums are appropriated shall be available to the Chairman for making grants to regional groups.

(C) Funds made available under this subsection shall not be used to supplant non-Federal funds.

(D) For the purposes of paragraph (3) and this paragraph, the term “regional group” means any multi-State group, whether or not representative of contiguous States.

(5) All amounts allotted or made available under paragraph (3) for a fiscal year which are not granted to a State during such year shall be available to the National Endowment for the Humanities for the purpose of carrying out section 5(c).

(6) Whenever the Chairman, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing, finds that—

(A) a group is not complying substantially with the provisions of this section;

(B) a State agency is not complying substantially with terms and conditions of its State plan approved under this section; or

(C) any funds granted to a group or State agency under this section have been diverted from the purposes for which they are allotted or paid,

the Chairman shall immediately notify the Secretary of the Treasury and the group or State agency with respect to which such finding was made that no further grants will be made under this section to such group or agency until there is no longer a default or failure to comply or the diversion has been corrected, or, if the compliance or correction is impossible, until such group or agency repays or arranges the repayment of the Federal funds which have been improperly diverted or expended.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES

SEC. 8. (20 U.S.C. 957) (a) There is established in the National Endowment for the Humanities a National Council on the Humanities.

(b) The Council shall be composed of the Chairman of the National Endowment on the Humanities, who shall be the Chairman of the Council, and twenty-six other members appointed by the President from private life. Such members shall be selected on the basis of distinguished service and scholarship or creativity and in a manner which will provide a comprehensive representation of the views of scholars and professional practitioners in the humanities and of the public throughout the United States. The President is requested in the making of such appointments to give consideration to such recommendations as may from time to time be submitted to him by leading national organizations concerned with the humanities.

(c) Each member shall hold office for a term of six years, except that (1) the members first taking office shall serve, as designated by the President, nine for terms of two years, nine for terms of four years, and eight for terms of six years, and (2) any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which
his predecessor was appointed. No member shall be eligible for reappointment during the two-year period following the expiration of his term.

(d) The Council shall meet at the call of the Chairman but not less often than twice during each calendar year. Fourteen members shall constitute a quorum.

(e) Members shall receive compensation at a date to be fixed by the Chairman but not to exceed the per diem equivalent of the rate authorized for grade GS-18 by section 5332 of title 5 of the United States Code and be allowed travel expenses including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5703) for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

(f) The Council shall (1) advise the Chairman with respect to policies, programs, and procedures for carrying out his functions, and (2) shall review applications for financial support and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman. The Chairman shall not approve or disapprove any such application until he has received the recommendation of the Council on such application, unless the Council fails to make a recommendation thereon within a reasonable time. In the case of any application involving $17,500, or less, the Chairman may approve or disapprove such request if such action is taken pursuant to the terms of a delegation of authority from the Council to the Chairman, and provided that each such action by the Chairman shall be reviewed by the Council: Provided, That the terms of any such delegation of authority shall not permit obligations for expenditure of funds under such delegation for any fiscal year which exceed an amount equal to 10 per centum of the sums appropriated for that fiscal year pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of section 11(a).

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Sec. 9. (20 U.S.C. 958) (a) There is established within the Foundation a Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities.

(b) The Council shall be composed of the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the United States Commissioner of Education, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Director of the National Science Foundation, the Librarian of Congress, the Director of the National Gallery of Art, the Chairman of the Commission of Fine Arts, the Archivist of the United States, the Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration, a member designated by the Secretary of State, a member designated by the Secretary of the Interior, a member designated by the Chairman of the Senate Commission on Art and Antiquities, and a member designated by the Speaker of the House. The President shall designate the Chairman of the Council from among the members. The President is authorized to change the membership of the Council from time to time as he deems necessary to meet changes in Federal programs or executive branch organization.

(c) The Council shall—

1. advise and consult with the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities on major problems arising in carrying out the purposes of the Foundation;
2. coordinate, by advice and consultation, so far as is practicable, the policies and operations of the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities, including joint support of activities, as appropriate;
3. promote coordination between the programs and activities of the Foundation and related programs and activities of other Federal agencies; and
4. plan and coordinate appropriate participation (including production and projects) in major and historic national events.
Sec. 10. (20 U.S.C. 959) (a) In addition to any authorities vested in him by other provisions of this Act, the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, in carrying out their respective functions, shall each have authority—

(1) to prescribe such regulations as he deems necessary governing the manner in which his functions shall be carried out;

(2) in the discretion of the Chairman of an Endowment, after receiving the recommendation of the National Council of that Endowment, to receive money and other property donated, bequeathed or devised to that Endowment with or without a condition or restriction, including a condition that the Chairman use other funds of that Endowment for the purposes of the gift, except that a Chairman may receive a gift without a recommendation from the Council to provide support for any application or project which can be approved without Council recommendation under the provisions of sections 6(f) and 8(f), and may receive a gift of $15,000, or less, without Council recommendation in the event the Council fails to provide such recommendation within a reasonable period of time; and to use, sell, or otherwise dispose of such property for the purpose of carrying out sections 5(c) and 7(c);

(3) to appoint employees, subject to the civil service laws, as necessary to carry out his functions, define their duties, and supervise and direct their activities;

(4) to utilize from time to time, as appropriate, experts and consultants, including panels of experts, who may be employed as authorized by section 15 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946, as amended (5 U.S.C. 55a): Provided, however, That any advisory panel appointed to review or make recommendations with respect to the approval of applications or projects for funding shall have broad geographic representation;

(5) to accept and utilize the services of voluntary and uncompensated personnel and reimburse them for travel expenses, including per diem, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 73b-2) for persons in the Government service employed without compensation;

(6) to make advance, progress, and other payments without regard to the provisions of section 3648 of the Revised Statutes (31 U.S.C. 529);

(7) to rent office space in the District of Columbia; and

(8) to make other necessary expenditures.

In any case in which any money or other property is donated, bequeathed, or devised to the Foundation (A) without designation of the Endowment for the benefit of which such property is intended, and (B) without condition or restriction other than it be used for the purposes of the Foundation, such property shall be deemed to have been donated, bequeathed, or devised in equal shares to each Endowment and each Chairman of an Endowment shall have authority to receive such property. In any case in which any money or other property is donated, bequeathed, or devised to the Foundation with a condition or restriction, such property shall be deemed to have been donated, bequeathed, or devised to that Endowment whose function it is to carry out the purpose or purposes described or referred to by the terms of such condition or restriction, and each Chairman of an Endowment shall have authority to receive such property. For the purposes of the preceding sentence, if one or more of the purposes of such a condition or restriction is covered by the functions of both Endowments, or if some of the purposes of such a condition or restriction are covered by the functions of one Endowment and other of the purposes of such a condition or restriction are covered by the functions of the other Endowment, the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities shall determine an equitable manner for distribution between each of the Endowments of the property so donated, bequeathed, or devised. For the purpose of the income tax, gift tax, and estate tax laws of the United States, any money or other property donated, bequeathed, or devised to the Foundation or one of its
Endowments and received by the Chairman of an Endowment pursuant to authority derived under this subsection shall be deemed to have been donated, bequeathed, or devised to or for the use of the United States.

(b) The Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities shall each submit an annual report to the President for transmittal to the Congress on or before the 15th day of January of each year. The report shall summarize the activities of the Endowment for the preceding year, and may include such recommendations as the Chairman deems appropriate.

(c) The National Council on the Arts and the National Council on the Humanities, respectively, may each submit an annual report to the President for transmittal to the Congress on or before the 15th day of January of each year setting forth a summary of its activities during the preceding year or its recommendations for any measures which it considers necessary or desirable.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

[Sec. 11. (a) (1) (A) For the purpose of carrying out section 5(c), there are authorized to be appropriated to the National Endowment for the Arts, $64,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, $113,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $119,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976. For the purpose of carrying out section 5(g), there are authorized to be appropriated to the National Endowment for the Arts $11,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974. Not less than 20 per centum of the funds appropriated under the first sentence of this paragraph for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1973, and June 30, 1976, may be used only for the purpose of carrying out section 5(g).]

[Sec. 11. (a) (1) (A) For the purpose of carrying out section 5, there are authorized to be appropriated $113,500,000 each for the fiscal years 1978 and 1979; and there are so authorized such sums as may be necessary for the fiscal years 1980 and 1981. Of the sums so appropriated for any fiscal year—

(i) not less than 20 per centum shall be for carrying out section 5(g); and

(ii) 4 per centum shall be for carrying out section 5(f).

(B) For the purposes of carrying out section 7(c), there are authorized to be appropriated to the National Endowment for the Humanities $65,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, $90,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and $113,500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976.]

[A for any fiscal year, not less than 10 per centum shall be for carrying out section 7(f).

The amounts authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year ending prior to [July 1, 1976] October 1, 1981, to the National Endowment for the Arts and to the National Endowment for the Humanities, an amount equal to the total amounts received by each Endowment under section 10(a) (2), except that the amount so appropriated for any fiscal year shall not exceed the following limitations:

- (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, $15,000,000.
- (B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, $20,000,000.
- (C) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, $25,000,000.

(b) (1) Sums appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) for any fiscal year shall remain available for obligation and expenditure until expended.

(2) In order to afford adequate notice to interested persons of available assistance under this Act, appropriations authorized under subsection (a) are authorized to be included in the measure making appropriations for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which such appropriations become available for obligation.

(c) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to administer the provisions of this Act.
13. ARTS AND ARTIFACTS INDEMNITY ACT

AN ACT To provide indemnities for exhibitions of artistic and humanistic endeavors, and for other purposes

FEDERAL COUNCIL

Sec. 2. (a) The Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "Council"), established under section 9 of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, is authorized to make agreements to indemnify against loss or damage such items as may be eligible for such indemnity agreements under section 3—

(1) in accordance with the provisions of this Act; and

(2) on such terms and conditions as the Council shall prescribe, by regulation, in order to achieve the purposes of this Act and, consistent with such purposes, to protect the financial interest of the United States.

(b) For purposes of this Act, the Council shall be an "agency", within the meaning of the appropriate definitions of such term in title 5, United States Code.

ELIGIBLE ITEMS

Sec. 3. (a) The Council may make an indemnity agreement under this Act with respect to—

(1) works of art, including tapestries, paintings, sculpture, folk art, graphics, and craft arts;

(2) manuscripts, rare documents, books, and other printed or published materials;

(3) other artifacts or objects; and

(4) photographs, motion pictures, or audio and video tape; which are (A) of educational, cultural, historical, or scientific value, and (B) the exhibition of which is certified by the Secretary of State or his designee as being in the national interest.

(b) (1) An indemnity agreement made under this Act shall cover eligible items while on exhibition in the United States, or elsewhere when part of an exchange of exhibitions, but in no case shall both parts of such an exchange be so covered.

(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term "on exhibition" includes that period of time beginning on the date the eligible items leave the premises of the lender or place designated by the lender and ending on the date such items are returned to the premises of the lender or place designated by the lender.

APPLICATION

Sec. 4. (a) Any person, nonprofit agency, institution, or government desiring to make an indemnity agreement for eligible items under this Act shall make application therefore in accordance with such procedures, in such form, and in such manner as the Council shall, by regulation, prescribe.

(b) An application under subsection (a) shall—

(1) describe each item to be covered by the agreement (including an estimated value of such item);

(2) show evidence that the items are eligible under section
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(8) set forth policies, procedures, techniques, and methods with respect to preparation for, and conduct of, exhibition of the items, and any transportation related to such items.

(c) Upon receipt of an application under this section, the Council shall, if such application conforms with the requirements of this Act, approve the application and make an indemnity agreement with the applicant. Upon such approval, the agreement shall constitute a contract between the Council and the applicant pledging the full faith and credit of the United States to pay any amount for which the Council becomes liable, under such agreement. The Council, for such purpose, is hereby authorized to pledge the full faith and credit of the United States.

INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

SEC. 5. (a) Upon receipt of an application meeting the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of section 4, the Council shall review the estimated value of the items for which coverage by an indemnity agreement is sought. If the Council agrees with such estimated value, for the purposes of this Act, the Council shall, after approval of the application as provided in subsection (c) of section 4, make an indemnity agreement.

(b) The aggregate of loss or damage covered by indemnity agreements made under this Act shall not exceed $250,000,000 at any one time.

(c) No indemnity agreement for a single exhibition shall cover loss or damage in excess of $50,000,000.

(d) Coverage under this Act shall only extend to loss or damage in excess of the first $15,000 of loss or damage resulting from a single exhibition.

REGULATIONS

SEC. 6. (a) The Council shall prescribe regulations providing for prompt adjustment of valid claims for losses which are covered by an agreement made pursuant to section 5, including provision for arbitration of issues relating to the dollar value of damages involving less than total loss or destruction of such covered objects.

(b) In the case of a claim of loss with respect to an item which is covered by an agreement made pursuant to section 5, the Council shall certify the validity of the claim and the amount of loss to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 7. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary (1) to enable the Council to carry out its functions under this Act, and (2) to pay claims certified pursuant to section 6(b).

REPORT

SEC. 8. The Council shall report annually to the Congress (1) all claims actually paid pursuant to this Act during the preceding fiscal year, (2) pending claims against the Council under this Act as of the close of that fiscal year, and (3) the aggregate face value of contracts entered into by the Council which are outstanding at the close of that fiscal year.

MUSEUM SERVICES ACT

PURPOSE

SEC. 202. It is the purpose of this title to encourage and assist museums in their educational role, in conjunction with formal systems of elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education and with programs of nonformal education for all age groups, to assist museums in modernizing their methods and facilities so that they may better be able to conserve our cultural, historic, and scientific heritage; and to ease the financial burden borne by museums as a result of their increasing use by the public.

INSTITUTE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF MUSEUM SERVICES

SEC. 203. There is hereby established, within the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, an Institute for the Improvement of
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Museum Services (hereinafter referred to as the "Institute"). The Institute shall consist of a National Museum Services Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and a Director of the Institute (hereinafter referred to as the "Director").

NATIONAL MUSEUM SERVICES BOARD

Sec. 204. (a) The Board shall consist of fifteen members appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and the following ex officio members:

1. the Director;
2. the Librarian of Congress;
3. the Archivist of the United States;
4. the Commissioner of Education;
5. the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution;
6. the Director of the National Gallery of Art;
7. the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts; and
8. the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The appointed members of the Board shall be broadly representative of the curatorial, educational, and cultural resources of the United States and of the general public.

(b) The term of office of appointed members of the Board shall be five years, except that—

1. any such member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only such portion of a term as shall not have been expired at the time of such appointment; and
2. in the case of initial members, three shall serve for terms of four years, three shall serve terms of three years, three shall serve terms of two years, and three shall serve terms of one year.

Any appointed member who has been a member of the Board for more than seven consecutive years shall thereafter be ineligible for reappointment to the Board during the three-year period following the expiration of the last such consecutive year.

(c) The Chairman of the Board shall be designated by the President from among the appointed members of the Board. Eight appointed members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

(d) The Board shall meet at the call of the Chairman, except that—

1. it shall meet not less than four times each year;
2. in cases where the Director determines that a meeting of the Board is necessary, it shall meet whenever one-third of the total number of members request a meeting in writing, in which event one-half of the total number of members shall constitute a quorum; and
3. whenever one-third of the appointed members request a meeting in writing, it shall meet, in which event one-third of the appointed members shall constitute a quorum.

Ex officio members of the Board shall not have a vote on the Board.

(e) Members of the Board who are not in the regular full-time employ of the United States shall receive, while engaged in the business of the Board, compensation for service at a rate to be fixed by the President, except that such rate shall not exceed the rate specified at the time of such service for grade GS-18 in section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, including travel time, and, while so serving away from their homes or regular places of business, they may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703 of title 5, United States Code, for persons employed in Government service.

(f) The Board shall have the responsibility for the general policies with respect to the powers, duties, and authorities vested in the Institute under this title. The Director shall make available to the Board such information and assistance as may be necessary to enable the Board to carry out its functions.

DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE

Sec. 205. (a) The Director of the Institute shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall...
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dated at the rate provided for level V, United States Code, and shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Board may prescribe.

(b) There shall be a Deputy Director of the Institute who shall be appointed by the President and shall serve at the pleasure of the President. The Deputy Director shall be compensated at the rate provided for grade 18 of the General Schedule set forth in section 5332 of title 5, United States Code. The Deputy Director shall exercise such powers as the Director may prescribe, and the Deputy Director shall serve as Director during the absence or disability of the Director, or in the event of a vacancy in the Office of Director. The position created by this paragraph shall be in addition to the number of positions placed in grade 18 of the General Schedule under section 5106 of title 5, United States Code.

ACTIVITIES OF THE INSTITUTE

SEC. 206. (a) The Director, subject to the management of the Board, is authorized to make grants to museums to increase and improve museum services, through such activities as:

(1) projects to enable museums to construct or install displays, interpretations, and exhibitions in order to improve their services to the public;

(2) assisting them in developing and maintaining professionally-trained or otherwise experienced staff to meet their needs;

(3) assisting them to meet their administrative costs in preserving and maintaining their collections, exhibiting them to the public, and providing educational programs to the public through the use of their collections;

(4) assisting museums in cooperation with each other in the development of traveling exhibitions, meeting transportation costs, and identifying and locating collections available for loan;

(5) assisting them in conservation of artifacts and art objects; and

(6) developing and carrying out specialized programs for specific segments of the public such as programs for urban neighborhoods, rural areas, Indian reservations, penal and other State institutions.

(b) Grants under this section may not exceed 75 per centum of the cost of the program for which the grant is made.

CONTRIBUTIONS

SEC. 207. The Institute shall have authority to accept in the name of the United States, grants, gifts, or bequests of money for immediate disbursement in furtherance of the functions of the Institute. Such grants, gifts, or bequests, after acceptance by the Institute, shall be paid by the donor or his representative to the Treasurer of the United States whose receipt shall be their acquittance. The Treasurer of the United States shall enter them in a special account to the credit of the Institute for the purposes in each case specified.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 208. (a) For the purpose of making grants under section 206(a), there are hereby authorized to be appropriated $25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and $30,000,000 for each of the succeeding fiscal years ending prior to October 1, 1979.

(b) For the purpose of enabling the Institute to carry out its functions under this title, during the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending October 1, 1978, there is authorized to be appropriated an amount equal to the amount contributed during such period to the Institute under section 207.

DEFINITION

SEC. 209. For purposes of this title, the term "museum" means a public or private nonprofit agency or institution organized on a permanent basis for essentially educational or aesthetic purposes, which utilizing a professional staff, owns and utilizes tangible objects, cares for them, and exhibits them to the public on a regular basis.