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Appendix 35 is in this volume, *A Compilation of Recent Federal Statutes Pertaining to Public Information Dissemination*; volume 4 is available at <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.vol4.pdf>.

Each appendix is also available at <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.html> as an individual file. The unique file name for each appendix is included as the appendix is inserted below.

Most of the appendices were posted on the Commission website during the course of the study to facilitate public access, review and comment. The appendices, and other files providing background on the assessment, will remain on the Commission website for permanent public access. The Commission feels that this method of distribution is in keeping with the subject matter of this report, which encourages agencies to ensure the permanent public accessibility of their electronic public information resources.

Appendices submitted to the Commission as paper copies have been scanned and reformatted, so the content is as submitted, but the format is different. Electronic submissions have also been reformatted, but the content is as submitted.

APPENDIX 35. A COMPILATION OF RECENT FEDERAL STATUTES PERTAINING TO PUBLIC INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

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As part of its Comprehensive Assessment of Public Information Dissemination, the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) was charged with identifying reforms necessary for improvement in the dissemination of government information in the electronic era. In addition, Senator Lieberman specifically requested that the Commission review the Paperwork Reduction Act and make recommendations relative to its anticipated reauthorization in FY 2001.

The Commission understood that a major task in the assessment would be the identification of current laws and regulations that impact this important area of government responsibility. To do this, it was necessary to examine laws and regulations that govern dissemination, both government-wide and by specific agencies. Extensive use was made of the earlier "Compilation of Statutes Authorizing Dissemination of Government Information to the Public" prepared by the Congressional Research Service that was issued March 29, 1996.²

The Commission feels strongly that improvements in the dissemination of government information to the public cannot be made without changes in existing, often contradictory, laws under which the individual agencies and the government as a whole now operate.

Due to the time constraints in the present study, it was impossible for the Commission to complete a comprehensive review and update of the 1996 CRS compilation. However, the Library Staff of the Department of Justice, particularly Margaret Hansen and Blane Dessy, undertook a search of WESTLAW to identify major pieces of legislation from 1995 through mid-2000 that pertained to information dissemination. This search identified 52 Public Laws that placed requirements on agencies and specific programs for the collection and dissemination of information to specialized audiences or to the public in general.

The Commission considers this statutory examination to be extremely important. It also recognized that it was not possible to effectively conclude such an examination during the course of this study. Therefore it chose to provide an index by category of the relevant sections of the public laws passed during the 104th through the 106th Congress³ This appendix provides further identification of these statutes by the applicable U.S. Code citations, along with extracts of the relevant text.

¹ Available at <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.appen35.pdf>.

² Jane Bortnick Griffith, Harold C. Relyea and Frances A. Buffalo, *Compilation of Statutes Authorizing Dissemination of Government Information to the Public*, Washington, DC: Library of Congress, Congressional Research Service (March 29, 1996). This compilation was prepared for the *Study to Identify Measures Necessary for a Successful Transition to a More Electronic Federal Depository Library Program; Report to the Congress* (GPO Publication 500.11), Washington, DC: Government Printing Office, 1996.

³ Appendix 33 is in Volume 3 of this study; it is available at <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.appen33.pdf>.

The classification scheme developed by the Commission is subdivided into two major categories. The first category (I) deals with the end result or objective that Congress endeavored to accomplish by passing the law, and the second category (II) deals with the means (the information vehicle) prescribed by Congress for accomplishing the end result.

The two general categories and seven specific categories used in this study are as follows:

I. Classification based on the end result congress intended

I.A. Publicizing the entitlement to and procedures for applying for a tangible government public benefit or service.

I.B. Publicizing opportunities for the private sector to do business with or for the federal government, with itself domestically, or abroad.

I.C. Publicizing and disseminating the results of government's performance and operations.

I.D. Publicizing federal level actions, decisions, and opportunities through inter and intra-governmental information interchanges.

II. Classification based on the means congress prescribed in the statute

II.A. Enacting a law to (1) broadly facilitate public information access to government information and/or (2) encourage agency dissemination of government information to the public.

II.B. Establishing and maintaining a general government information facility, source, network, or other resource, both pre-electronic and electronic, to assist, inform, enlighten, or educate the public.

II.C. Establishing, making available and accessible, and periodically updating the data or information content of a specific information service, system, or other resource impacting the public.

It is apparent from the Agency surveys received as a part of this study that not all agencies recognize their responsibilities under general government-wide requirements for information dissemination. This may be due to their overriding concern to meet their obligations under specific authorizing and program legislation. Thus it is essential that Congress make clear its intent that government information to the public is a responsibility of every agency through specific language in the authorizing legislation for each agency.⁴ Congress could then eliminate language to this effect in many of its other statutes—those covering specific issues of general concern (such as health and consumer safety) and agency programs (such as soil conservation and water pollution). A central office responsible for information dissemination could eliminate the need for many of these individual pieces of legislation.⁵

It is obvious from what has been identified below, that much more needs to be done. A large body of laws and regulations need to be examined and brought into line with the most efficient and effective ways of disseminating government information to the public through the numerous technologies available today. This review and analysis should begin as soon as possible before

⁴ This is addressed in Recommendation 3 in Volume 1, <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.vol1.pdf>.

⁵ This is addressed in Recommendation 2 in Volume 1, <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.vol1.pdf>.

additional statutes further fragment information programs meant to assist the public in participating in governmental processes and in improving the quality of life for all Americans.

This cursory examination of existing laws shows clearly that the frequency with which Congress feels the need to impose requirements for information dissemination on agency after agency is a large part of the problem the public has in finding and accessing government information. That a re-examination of the existing statutes is not only needed, but necessary, is clear. The Commission believes that further identification and analysis is necessary to adequately address overlap, duplication, contradictions and fragmentation in the existing laws.⁶

INDEX OF STATUTES BY CATEGORY

As an integral part of its Comprehensive Assessment of Public Information Dissemination, the Commission attempted to identify pertinent laws related to information dissemination passed since the Congressional Research Service completed its *Compilation of Statutes Authorizing Dissemination of Government Information to the Public*.⁷ That compilation included laws in effect at the end of 1995.

The entries in this index are arranged under the category assigned to each pertinent section of a law. The entries include the public law number, its title and date of enactment. Under each law, the section pertaining to information dissemination is identified, followed by the appropriate Statutes-at-Large citation. The information provided should permit a user to locate the pertinent portion of any of the laws identified.

I. Classification based on the end result congress intended

I.A. Publicizing the entitlement to and procedures for applying for a tangible government public benefit or service:

Public Law 104-182 – Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, August 6, 1996.

Sec. 119(f)(4)(D). 110 STAT. 1649

Public Law 105-114 – Veterans' Benefits Act of 1997, November 21, 1997.

Sec. 202(b)(2)(D). 111 STAT. 2283

Public Law 105-135 – Small Business Reauthorization Act of 1997, December 2, 1997.

Sec. 709. 111 STAT. 2638

Public Law 105-244 – Higher Education Amendments of 1998, October 7, 1998.

Sec. 486(a). 112 STAT. 1741

Sec. 486(c)(2) and (c)(3). 112 STAT. 1742

Sec. 490(C)(j)(2). 112 STAT. 1755

Sec. 810(b). 112 STAT. 1808

⁶ This is addressed in Recommendation 3 in Volume 1, <http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.vol1.pdf>.

⁷ Griffith, op. cit.

Public Law 106-170 – Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, December 17, 1999.

Sec. 1149(a)(2)(B)(i). 113 STAT. 1887

I.B. Publicizing opportunities for the private sector to do business with or for the federal government, with itself domestically, or abroad

Public Law 104-127 – Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, April 4, 1996.

Sec. 747(a)(4), amending Section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. 110 STAT. 1126

Public Law 105-17 – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, June 4, 1997.

Sec. 682(a). 111 STAT. 149

Public Law 105-20 – Drug-Free Communities Act of 1997, June 27, 1997.

Sec. 1033. 111 STAT. 230

Public Law 105-135 – Small Business Reauthorization Act of 1997, December 2, 1997.

Sec. 501(b)(4)(C). 111 STAT. 2622

Public Law 105-178 – Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, June 9, 1998.

Sec. 5505(c)(2)(F). 112 STAT. 441

Public Law 105-185 – Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, June 23, 1998.

Sec. 403(c). 112 STAT. 568

Sec. 403(c)(4). 112 STAT. 569

Sec. 403(d), (d)(2) and (d)(4). 112 STAT. 569

Sec. 403(f). 112 STAT. 569

Sec. 408(c). 112 STAT. 575

Public Law 105-220 – Workforce Investment Act of 1998, August 7, 1998.

Sec. 16. 112 STAT. 1114

Public Law 105-244 – Higher Education Amendments of 1998, October 7, 1998.

Sec. 120(e)(1). 112 STAT. 1598

Sec. 120(f)(3)(A)(ii). 112 STAT. 1599

Public Law 105-278 – Charter School Expansion Act of 1998, October 22, 1998.

Sec. 3(d)(2)(7). 112 STAT. 2685
Sec. 3(d)(6)(A). 112 STAT. 2685
Sec. 10305(a)(5). 112 STAT. 2687

Public Law 106-50 – Veterans Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development Act of 1999, August 17, 1999.

Sec. 604(a)(2) and (3). 113 STAT. 249

I.C. Publicizing and disseminating the results of government's performance and operations.

Public Law 104-50 – Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, November 15, 1995.

Sec. 345. 109 STAT. 459

Public Law 104-127 – Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, April 4, 1996.

Sec. 261(a)(5)(C). 110 STAT. 972

Public Law 104-134 – Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996, April 26, 1996

Sec. 520(b)(3). 110 STAT. 1321-250

Public Law 104-193 – Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, August 22, 1996.

Sec. 413(c). 110 STAT. 2153
Sec. 731(a)(1). 110 STAT. 2305

Public Law 104-262 – Veterans' Health Care Eligibility Reform Act of 1996, October 9, 1996.

Sec. 334(h). ref. 7320. 110 STAT. 3203
Sec. 334(b)(3). ref. 7320. 110 STAT. 3204

Public Law 104-297 – Sustainable Fisheries Act, October 11, 1996.

Sec. 404(b)(4). 110 STAT. 3610
Sec. 404(d). 110 STAT. 3610
Sec. 401(a). 110 STAT. 3617

Public Law 104-324 – Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1996, October 19, 1996.

Sec. 203. 110 STAT. 3907

Public Law 105-17 – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, June 4, 1997.

Sec. 607(d)(1). 111 STAT. 48

Sec. 611(i)(5)(D). 111 STAT. 60
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Sec. 672(c)(2)(D). 111 STAT. 138
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Sec. 681(a)(1). 111 STAT. 146
Sec. 681(a)(3). 111 STAT. 146
Sec. 687(b)(2)(F) and (G). 111 STAT. 155
Sec. 687(c)(3) and (4). 111 STAT. 155

Public Law 105-78 – Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998, November 13, 1997.

Sec. 49B(c)(2)(B)(ii). 111 STAT. 1520

Public Law 105-115 – Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997, November 21, 1997.

Sec. 506(b)(2)(B). 111 STAT. 2309
Sec. 506(b)(3)(D). 111 STAT. 2310
Sec. 506(d)(1). 111 STAT. 2310
Sec. 551(a). 111 STAT. 2356
Sec. 551(b)(3) and (b)(4). 111 STAT. 2357
Sec. 551(b)(6) and (b)(6)(A)(ii). 111 STAT. 2357
Sec. 551(b)(6)(A)(v) and (A)(vi). 111 STAT. 2357
Sec. 552(a), (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B). 111 STAT. 2358
Sec. 552(b)(4). 111 STAT. 2358
Sec. 553(a) and (a)(1). 111 STAT. 2359
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Sec. 554(a) and (b). 111 STAT. 2359
Sec. 554(c)(1). 111 STAT. 2359
Sec. 554(c)(1)(A)(ii). 111 STAT. 2360
Sec. 554(d)(1). 111 STAT. 2360
Sec. 554(d)(3)(B). 111 STAT. 2361
Sec. 555(a)(1) and (a)(2). 111 STAT. 2361
Sec. 555(b)(1). 111 STAT. 2361
Sec. 555(b)(2), (b)(3), (c)(1) and (c)(2). 111 STAT. 2362
Sec. 557(a) and (b). 111 STAT. 2363
Sec. 557(d). 111 STAT. 2363
Sec. 557(b)(z). 111 STAT. 2364

Public Law 105-160 – National Sea Grant College Program Act, March 6, 1998.

Sec. 204(c)(4)(C). 112 STAT. 23

Public Law 105-178 – Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, June 9, 1998.

Sec. 502(c)(1). 112 STAT. 424

Sec. 503(a)(4). 112 STAT. 427
Sec. 5109(g)(1)(A). 112 STAT. 439
Sec. 5505(g)(1). 112 STAT. 442

Public Law 105-185 – Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998,
June 23, 1998.

Sec. 101(d)(1). 112 STAT. 527
Sec. 1672A(e)(1)(C). 112 STAT. 555
Sec. 403(b)(1). 112 STAT. 568
Sec. 618(b)(4). 112 STAT. 607

Public Law 105-220 – Workforce Investment Act of 1998, August 7, 1998.

Sec. 242(c)(1)(D). 112 STAT. 1075
Sec. 243(1)(B). 112 STAT. 1078
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Sec. 303(b)(4)(F). 112 STAT. 1192
Sec. 401(a)(1). 112 STAT. 1199

Public Law 105-225 – Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations,
August 12, 1998.

Sec. 220302(2). 112 STAT. 1463
Sec. 220503(11). 112 STAT. 1467
Sec. 220524(8). 112 STAT. 1474

Public Law 105-244 – Higher Education Amendments of 1998, October 7, 1998.

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Sec. 744(c)(3) and (4). 112 STAT. 1798
Sec. 762(b)(3). 112 STAT. 1802
Sec. 826(b)(5). 112 STAT. 1816
Sec. 210(a). 112 STAT. 1832

Public Law 105-277 – Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1999, October 21, 1998

Sec. 416(b)(1). 112 STAT. 2681-47.
Sec. 120(c)(1). 112 STAT. 2681-70
Sec. 124(h). 112 STAT. 2681-74
Sec. 590. 112 STAT. 2681-210
Sec. 606(5). 112 STAT. 2681-223
Sec. 343(a). 112 STAT. 2681-297
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Sec. 220512(o)(4). 112 STAT. 2681-609
Sec. 1303(b)(2)(E). 112 STAT. 2681-732
Sec. 2812(b)(1). 112 STAT. 2681-853

Public Law 105-278 – Charter School Expansion Act of 1998, October 22, 1998.

Sec. 3(d)(6)(B)(1). 112 STAT. 2686
Sec. 10305(a)(4)(E). 112 STAT. 2687

Public Law 105-309 – Technology Administration Act of 1998, October 30, 1998.

Sec. 8(c)(1). 112 STAT. 2937

Public Law 105-310 – Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy Act of 1998, October 30, 1998.

Sec. 5351(b)(2). 112 STAT. 2946

Public Law 105-332 – Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Amendments of 1998, October 31, 1998

Sec. 2(4). 112 STAT. 3077
Sec. 114(c)(1)(A). 112 STAT. 3090
Sec. 114(c)(5)(iii)(II). 112 STAT. 3093
Sec. 114(c)(5)(C). 112 STAT. 3093
Sec. 114(c)(6)(A). 112 STAT. 3093

Sec. 118(a)(1)(B) and (C). 112 STAT. 3100

Public Law 105-392 – Health Professions Education Partnerships Act of 1998, November 13, 1998.

Sec. 751(1)(A)(vii). 112 STAT. 3542
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Public Law 105-394 – Assistive Technology Act of 1998, November 13, 1998.

Sec. 104(c)(2)(B). 112 STAT. 3650
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Sec. 3(a)(H)(vi). 113 STAT. 211
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Public Law 106-148 – National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 1999, December 9, 1999.

Sec. 4(d)(C)(ii)(II) and (III). 113 STAT. 1721

Public Law 106-170 – Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, December 17, 1999.

Sec. 1149(a)(1). 113 STAT. 1887
Sec. 1149(a)(2)(C). 113 STAT. 1887

Public Law 106-177 – Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act, March 10, 2000.

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Public Law 106-181 – Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, April 5, 2000.

Sec. 508(b)(4)(B). 114 STAT. 140
Sec. 508(b)(15). 114 STAT. 140

Public Law 106-193 – Methane Hydrate Research and Development Act of 2000, May 2, 2000.

Sec. 3(e)(3). 114 STAT. 236

Public Law 106-200 – Trade and Development Act of 2000, May 18, 2000.

Sec. 506(d)(2). 114 STAT. 304

Public Law 106-224 – Agriculture Risk Protection Act of 2000, June 20, 2000

Sec. 307(e)(1). 114 STAT. 436

1.D. Publicizing federal level actions, decisions, and opportunities through inter and intra-governmental information interchanges.

Public Law 104-50 – Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, November 15, 1995.

Sec. 315. 109 STAT. 455

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Public Law 104-50—November 15, 1995

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

TITLE III: GENERAL PROVISIONS¹⁰

Sec. 315. Funds received by the Research and Special Programs Administration [of the Department of Transportation] from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training and for reports' publication and dissemination may be credited to the Research and Special Programs account. [109 STAT. 455]

Sec. 345. The Secretary [of Transportation], in consultation with the Secretary of Labor and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall, within three months of the date of enactment of this Act, carry out research to identify successful telecommuting programs in the public and private sectors and provide for the dissemination to the public of information regarding the establishment of

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successful telecommuting programs and the benefits and costs of telecommuting. Within one year of the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall report to Congress its findings, conclusions, and recommendations regarding telecommuting developed under this section. [109 STAT. 459]

Public Law 104-59—November 28, 1995

NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM DESIGNATION ACT OF 1995

TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS HIGHWAY PROVISIONS PART B—INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Sec. 358. Safety Research Initiatives.

(b) Work Zone Safety.—In carrying out the work zone safety program under section 1051 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (23 U.S.C. 401 note; 105 Stat. 2001), the Secretary shall utilize a variety of methods to increase safety at highway construction sites, including each of the following:

- (1) Conducting conferences to explore new techniques and stimulate dialogue for improving work zone safety.
- (2) Establishing a national clearinghouse to assemble and disseminate, by electronic and other means, information relating to the improvement of work zone safety.
- (3) Conducting a national promotional campaign in cooperation with the States to provide timely, site-specific information to motorists when construction workers are actually present. [109 STAT. 625; 23 USC 401 note]

Public Law 104-127—April 4, 1996

FEDERAL AGRICULTURE IMPROVEMENT AND REFORM ACT OF 1996

TITLE II—AGRICULTURAL TRADE SUBTITLE C—MISCELLANEOUS AGRICULTURAL TRADE PROVISIONS

Sec. 261. Edward R. Madigan United States Agricultural Export Excellence Award.

(a) Findings.—Congress finds that—

- (5) a United States agricultural export excellence award will increase United States agricultural exports by—
 - (C) disseminating information on successful methods used to develop and expand markets for United States agricultural exports. [110 STAT. 972; 7 USC 5678]

TITLE VII—RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBTITLE A—AMENDMENTS TO THE FOOD, AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION, AND TRADE ACT OF 1990

SEC. 722. Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation.

(a) In General.—Section 1658 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5902) is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 1658. Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation.

“(a) Establishment.—To carry out this subtitle, there is created a body corporate to be known as the Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation, which shall be an agency of the United States, within the Department of Agriculture, subject to the general supervision and direction of the Secretary, except as specifically provided for in this subtitle.

“(g) Specific Powers.—To carry out this subtitle, the Corporation may—

“(3) collect and disseminate information concerning State, regional, and local commercialization projects; [110 STAT. 1115; 7 U.S.C. 5902]

TITLE VII—RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SUBTITLE B—AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT

Sec. 747. Rural Industrialization Assistance.

(a) In General.—Section 310B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932) is amended—

(4) by striking subsection (e) and inserting the following:

“(e) Rural Cooperative Development Grants.—

“(4) Application.—Any nonprofit institution seeking a grant under paragraph (2) shall submit to the Secretary an application containing a plan for the establishment and operation by the institution of a center or centers for cooperative development. The Secretary may approve the application if the plan contains the following:

“(C) A description of the activities that the center will carry out to accomplish the objective. The activities may include the following:

“(i) Programs for applied research and feasibility studies that may be useful to individuals, cooperatives, small businesses, and other similar entities in rural areas served by the center.

“(ii) Programs for the collection, interpretation, and dissemination of information that may be useful to individuals, cooperatives, small businesses, and other similar entities in rural areas served by the center. [110 STAT. 1125; 7 U.S.C. 1932]

TITLE VIII—RESEARCH, EXTENSION, AND EDUCATION

SUBTITLE A—MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF ACTIVITIES UNDER 1977 ACT

Sec. 802. National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board.

(a) In General.—Section 1408 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3123) is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 1408. National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board.

“(a) Establishment.—The Secretary shall establish within the Department of Agriculture a board to be known as the ‘National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board’.

“(b) Membership.—

“(5) Officers.—At the first meeting of the Advisory Board each year, the members shall elect from among the members of the Advisory Board a chairperson, vice chairperson, and 7 additional members to serve on the executive committee established under paragraph (6).

“(6) Executive Committee.—The Advisory Board shall establish an executive committee charged with the responsibility of working with the Secretary and officers and employees of the Department of Agriculture to summarize and disseminate the recommendations of the Advisory Board. [110 STAT. 1158; 7 U.S.C. 3123]

Public Law 104–142—May 13, 1996

MERCURY-CONTAINING AND RECHARGEABLE BATTERY MANAGEMENT ACT

Sec. 4. Information Dissemination.

The Administrator [of the Environmental Protection Agency] shall, in consultation with representatives of rechargeable battery manufacturers, rechargeable consumer product manufacturers, and retailers, establish a program to provide information to the public concerning the proper handling and disposal of used regulated batteries and rechargeable consumer products with nonremovable batteries. [110 STAT. 1330-1331; 42 USC 14303.]

PUBLIC LAW 105-17—JUNE 4, 1997

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1997

TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT

Sec. 101. Amendments to the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act.

Parts A through D of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) are amended to read as follows:

“PART C—INFANTS AND TODDLERS WITH DISABILITIES

“Sec. 644. Federal Interagency Coordinating Council.

“(a) Establishment and Purpose.—

“(1) In General.—The Secretary [of Education??] shall establish a Federal Interagency Coordinating Council in order to—

“(d) Functions of the Council.—The Council shall—

“(5) coordinate technical assistance and disseminate information on best practices, effective program coordination strategies, and recommendations for improved early intervention programming for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families and preschool children with disabilities; [111 STAT. 122; 20 USC 1444]

“PART D—NATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

“SUBPART 1—STATE PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT GRANTS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

“Sec. 651. Findings and Purpose.

“(a) Findings.—The Congress finds the following:

“(6) Such research, demonstration, and practice in special education and related disciplines have demonstrated that an effective educational system now and in the future must—

“(G) disseminate to teachers and other personnel serving children with disabilities research-based knowledge about successful teaching practices and models and provide technical assistance to local educational agencies and schools on how to improve results for children with disabilities; [111 STAT. 124; 20 USC 1451]