

TITLE 22.—FOREIGN RELATIONS AND INTERCOURSE

Chapter 7.—INTERNATIONAL BUREAUS, CONGRESSES, ETC.

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§ 276c-1. Reports of expenditures by members of American groups or delegations and employees; consolidated reports by Congressional committees; public inspection.

Each chairman or senior member of the House of Representatives and Senate group or delegation of the United States group or delegation to the Interparliamentary Union, the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group, the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group, or any similar interparliamentary group of which the United States is a member or participates, by whom or on whose behalf local currencies owned by the United States are made available and expended and/or expenditures are made from funds appropriated for the expenses of such group or delegation, shall file with the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate in the case of the group or delegation of the Senate, or with the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives in the case of the group or delegation of the House, an itemized report showing all such expenditures made by or on behalf of each Member or employee of the group or delegation together with the purposes of the expenditure, including per diem (lodging and meals), transportation, and other purposes. Within sixty days after the beginning of each regular session of Congress, the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations and the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs shall prepare consolidated reports showing with respect to each such group or delegation the total amount expended, the purposes of the expenditures, the amount expended for each such purpose, the names of the Members or employees by or on behalf of whom the expenditures were made and the amount expended by or on behalf of each Member or employee for each such purpose. The consolidated reports prepared by the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate shall be filed with the Secretary of the Senate, and the consolidated reports prepared by the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House shall be filed with the Clerk of the House and shall be open to public inspection. (As amended Pub. L. 103-437, § 9(a)(2), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4588; Pub. L. 104-186, Title II, § 218(1), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1747; Pub. L. 106-113, Div. B, § 1000(a)(7). [Div. A, Title VII, § 701(b)(2)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A-459).

CANADA-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

§ 276d. United States group; appointment; term; meetings.

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Not to exceed twenty-four Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet jointly and at least annually and when Congress is not in session (except that this restriction shall not apply during the first

session of the Eighty-sixth Congress or to meetings held in the United States) with representatives of the House of Commons and Senate of the Canadian Parliament for discussion of common problems in the interests of relations between the United States and Canada. Of the Members of the Congress to be appointed for the purposes of this section (hereinafter designated as the United States group) half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Affairs Committee), and half shall be appointed by the President of the Senate upon recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate from Members of the Senate (not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Relations Committee).

Such appointments shall be for the period of each meeting of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary group except for the four members of the Foreign Affairs Committee and the four members of the Foreign Relations Committee, whose appointments shall be for the duration of each Congress.

The Chairman or Vice Chairman of the House delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Affairs Committee, and, unless the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, determines otherwise, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Senate delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Relations Committee. (Pub. L. 86-42, § 1, June 11, 1959, 73 Stat. 72; Pub. L. 95-45, § 4(a), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 222; Pub. L. 103-437, § 9(a)(3), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4588.)

1027 § 276e. Authorization of appropriations; disbursements.

An appropriation of \$150,000 annually is authorized, \$75,000 of which shall be for the House delegation and \$75,000 for the Senate delegation, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States group of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary group for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, the House and Senate portions of such appropriation to be disbursed on vouchers to be approved by the Chairman of the House delegation and the Chairman of the Senate delegation, respectively. (Pub. L. 86-42, § 2, June 11, 1959, 73 Stat. 72; Pub. L. 94-350, Title I, § 118(a), July 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 827; Pub. L. 103-236, Title V, § 502(a)(2), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 462; Pub. L. 107-77, Title IV, § 408(b)(3), Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 791).

MEXICO-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

1028 § 276h. United States group; appointment; term; meetings.

Not to exceed twenty-four Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet jointly and at least annually with representatives of the Chamber of Deputies and Chamber of Senators of the Mexican Congress for discussion of common problems in the interests of relations between the United States and Mexico. Of the Members of the Congress to be appointed for the purposes of this section (hereinafter designated as the United States group) half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Affairs Committee), and half shall be appointed by the President of the Senate upon recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate from Members of the Senate

(not less than four of whom shall be from the Foreign Relations Committee). Such appointments shall be for the period of each meeting of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group except for the four members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, and the four members of the Foreign Relations Committee, whose appointments shall be for the duration of each Congress.

The Chairman or Vice Chairman of the House delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Affairs Committee, and, unless the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, determines otherwise, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Senate delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Relations Committee. (Pub. L. 86-420, § 1, Apr. 9, 1960, 74 Stat. 40; Pub. L. 95-45, § 4(b), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 222; Pub. L. 103-437, § 9(a)(4), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4585.)

§ 276i. Authorization of appropriations; disbursements.

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An appropriation of \$120,000 annually is authorized, \$60,000 of which shall be for the House delegation and \$60,000 for the Senate delegation, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States group of the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary group for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, the House and Senate portions of such appropriation to be disbursed on vouchers to be approved by the Chairman of the House delegation and the Chairman of the Senate delegation, respectively. (As amended Pub. L. 101-515, Title III, § 304(c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 2129; Pub. L. 103-236, Title V, § 502(a)(1), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 461; Pub. L. 107-77, Title IV, § 408(b)(2), Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 790).

§ 276l. British-American Interparliamentary Group.

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(a) Establishment and meetings

Not to exceed 24 Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet annually and when the Congress is not in session (except that this restriction shall not apply to meetings held in the United States), with representatives of the House of Commons and the House of Lords of the Parliament of Great Britain for discussion of common problems in the interest of relations between the United States and Great Britain. The Members of Congress so appointed shall be referred to as the "United States group" of the United States Interparliamentary Group.

(b) Appointment of members

Of the Members of Congress appointed for purposes of this section—

(1) half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from among Members of the House (not less than 4 of whom shall be members of the Committee on Foreign Affairs), and

(2) half shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate, upon recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate, from among Members of the Senate (not less than 4 of whom shall be members of the Committee on Foreign Relations) unless the majority and minority leaders of the Senate determine otherwise.

(c) Chair and Vice Chair

(1) The Chair or Vice Chair of the House delegation of the United States group shall be a member from the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

(2) The President pro tempore of the Senate shall designate the Chair or Vice Chair of the Senate delegation.

(d) Funding

There is authorized to be appropriated \$50,000 for each fiscal year to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States group for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, half of which shall be for the House delegation and half of which shall be for the Senate delegation. The House and Senate portions of such appropriations shall be disbursed on vouchers to be approved by the Chair of the House delegation and the Chair of the Senate delegation, respectively.

(e) Certification of expenditures

The certificate of the Chair of the House delegation or the Senate delegation of the United States group shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers in the auditing of the accounts of the United States group.

(f) Annual report

The United States group shall submit to the Congress a report for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made for the United States group, which shall include its expenditures under such appropriation.

(g) [Omitted.] (Pub. L. 102–138, Title I, § 168, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 676.)

1031 § 276m. United States Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).**(a) Establishment**

In accordance with the allocation of seats to the United States in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (hereinafter referred to as the “CSCE Assembly”) not to exceed 17 Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet jointly and annually with representative parliamentary groups from other Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) member-nations for the purposes of—

(1) assessing the implementation of the objectives of the CSCE;

(2) discussing subjects addressed during the meetings of the Council of Ministers for Foreign Affairs and the biennial Summit of Heads of State or Government;

(3) initiating and promoting such national and multilateral measures as may further cooperation and security in Europe.

(b) Appointment of Delegation

For each meeting of the CSCE Assembly, there shall be appointed a United States Delegation, as follows:

(1) In 1992 and every even-numbered year thereafter, 9 Members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than 4 of whom, including the Chairman of the United States Delegation, shall be from the Committee on

Foreign Affairs); and 8 Members shall, upon recommendations of the Majority and Minority leaders of the Senate, be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate from Members of the Senate (not less than 4 of whom, including the Vice Chairman of the United States Delegation, shall be from the Committee on Foreign Relations, unless the President pro tempore of the Senate, upon recommendations of the Majority and Minority leaders of the Senate, determines otherwise).

(2) In every odd-numbered year beginning in 1993, 9 Members shall, upon recommendation of the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate, be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate from Members of the Senate (not less than 4 of whom, including the Chairman of the United States Delegation, shall be from the Committee on Foreign Relations, unless the President pro tempore of the Senate, upon recommendations of the Majority and Minority leaders of the Senate, determines otherwise); and 8 Members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than 4 of whom, including the Vice Chairman, shall be from the Committee on Foreign Affairs).

(c) Administrative support

For the purpose of providing general staff support and continuity between successive delegations, each United States Delegation shall have 2 secretaries (one of whom shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and one of whom shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Delegation of the Senate).

(d) Funding

(1) United States participation

There is authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year \$80,000 to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States delegation. For each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made under this subsection, half of such appropriation may be disbursed on voucher to be approved by the Chairman and half of such appropriation may be disbursed on voucher to be approved by the Vice Chairman.

(2) Availability of appropriations

Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection are authorized to be available until expended.

(e) Annual report

The United States Delegation shall, for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, submit to the Congress a report including its expenditures under such appropriation. The certificate of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the United States Delegation shall be final and conclusive upon the accounting officers in the auditing of the accounts of the United States Delegation. (Pub. L. 102-138, Title I, § 169, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 677.)

NOTE

There are authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year \$50,000 for expenses of United States participation in the United States-European Community Inter-parliamentary Group. (November 22, 1983, Public Law 98-164, § 109(c), as amend-

ed September 19, 1986, Public Law 99–415, § 7(b), and October 1, 1988, Public Law 100–459, § 303(c).

Chapter 24.—MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

1032 § 1754. Foreign currencies.

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

(1)(A) Notwithstanding section 1306 of title 31, or any other provision of law—

(i) local currencies owned by the United States, which are in excess of the amounts reserved under section 2362(a) of this title, and of the requirements of the United States Government in payment of its obligations outside the United States, as such requirements may be determined from time to time by the President; and

(ii) any other local currencies owned by the United States in amounts not to exceed the equivalent of \$75 per day per person or the maximum per diem allowance established under the authority of subchapter I of chapter 57 of Title 5 for employees of the United States Government while traveling in a foreign country, whichever is greater, exclusive of the actual cost of transportation;

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

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

(i) by the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the case of a Member or employee of the House;

(ii) by the chairman of a standing or select committee of the House of Representatives in the case of a member or employee of that committee;

(iii) by the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Majority Leader of the Senate, or the Minority Leader of the Senate, in the case of a Member or employee of the Senate;

(iv) by the chairman of a standing, select, or special committee of the Senate in the case of a member or employee of that committee or of an employee of a member of that committee; and

(v) by the chairman of a joint committee of the Congress in the case of a member or employee of that committee.

(C) Whenever local currencies owned by the United States are not otherwise available for purposes of this subsection, the Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase such local currencies as may be necessary for such purposes, using any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(2) On a quarterly basis, the chairman of each committee of the House of Representatives or the Senate and of each joint committee of the Congress (A) shall prepare a consolidated report (i) which itemizes the amounts and dollar equivalent values of each foreign currency expended and the amounts of dollar expenditures from appropriated funds in connection with travel outside the United States, stating the purposes of the expenditures including per diem (lodging and meals), transportation,

and other purposes, and (ii) which shows the total itemized expenditures, by such committee and by each member or employee of such committee (including in the case of a committee of the Senate, each employee of a member of the committee who received an authorization under paragraph (1) from the chairman of the committee); and (B) shall forward such consolidated report to the Clerk of the House of Representatives (if the committee is a committee of the House of Representatives or a joint committee whose funds are disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House) or to the Secretary of the Senate (if the committee is a committee of the Senate or a joint committee whose funds are disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate). Each such consolidated report shall be open to public inspection and shall be published in the Congressional Record within ten legislative days after the report is forwarded pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, such consolidated report may, in the discretion of the chairman of the committee, omit such information as would identify the foreign countries in which members and employees of that committee traveled.

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

(B) On a quarterly basis, the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate shall each prepare a consolidation of the reports received by them under this paragraph with respect to expenditures during the preceding quarter by each Member and employee or by each group in the case of expenditures made on behalf of a group which are not allocable to individual members of the group. Each such consolidation shall be open to public inspection and shall be published in the Congressional Record within ten legislative days after its completion. (Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, Title V, § 502, 68 Stat. 849, amended Sept. 3, 1954, ch. 1262, § 104, 68 Stat. 1223; July 8, 1955, ch. 301, § 9(a), 69 Stat. 288; July 18, 1956, ch. 627, § 9(b), 70 Stat. 560; June 30, 1958, § 401(a), 72 Stat. 268; August 27, 1958, Pub. L. 85-766, ch. X, § 1001, 72 Stat. 880; May 14, 1960, Pub. L. 86-472, § 401(a), 74 Stat. 138; July 12, 1960, Pub. L. 86-628, § 105(a), 74 Stat. 460; Sept. 4, 1961, Pub. L. 87-195, Pt. III, § 642(a)(2), 75 Stat. 460; Oct. 7, 1964, Pub. L. 88-633, 78 Stat. 1015; Oct. 18, 1973, Pub. L. 93-126, § 5, 87 Stat. 452; Aug. 13, 1974, Pub. L. 93-371, § 107, 88 Stat. 444; July

25, 1975, Pub. L. 94–59, Title XI, § 1105, 89 Stat. 299; Dec. 18, 1975, Pub. L. 94–157, Title I, ch. IV, 89 Stat. 837; July 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94–350, Title IV, § 402, 90 Stat. 833; Oct. 1, 1976, Pub. L. 94–440, Title I, § 109, 90 Stat. 1445; Sept. 26, 1978, Pub. L. 95–384, § 22(a), 92 Stat. 742; Aug. 20, 1996, Pub. L. 104–186, Title II, § 218(2), 110 Stat. 1747.)

1033 § 1928a. North Atlantic Treaty Parliamentary Conference; participation; appointment of United States Group.

Not to exceed twenty-four Members of Congress shall be appointed to meet jointly and annually with representative parliamentary groups from other NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) members, for discussion of common problems in the interests of the maintenance of peace and security in the North Atlantic area. Of the Members of the Congress to be appointed for the purposes of this resolution (hereinafter designated as the “United States Group”), half shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House from Members of the House (not less than four of whom shall be from the Committee on Foreign Affairs), and half shall be appointed by the President of the Senate upon recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate from Members of the Senate. Not more than seven of the appointees from the Senate shall be of the same political party. The Chairman or Vice Chairman of the House delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Affairs Committee, and, unless the President of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, determines otherwise, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Senate delegation shall be a Member from the Foreign Relations Committee. Each delegation shall have a secretary. The secretaries of the Senate and House delegations shall be appointed, respectively, by the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives. (July 11, 1956, ch. 562, § 1, 70 Stat. 523; Dec. 16, 1963, Pub. L. 88–205, Pt. IV, § 406, 77 Stat. 392; Pub. L. 95–45 § 4(c), June 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 222; H. Res. 89, February 5, 1979; December 22, 1987, Pub. L. 100–204, Title VII, § 744(a), 101 Stat. 1396; Pub. L. 103–437, § 9(a)(5), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4588.)

1034 § 1928b. Authorization of appropriations.

There is authorized to be appropriated annually (1) for the annual contribution of the United States toward the maintenance of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, such sum as may be agreed upon by the United States Group and approved by such Assembly, but in no event to exceed for any year an amount equal to 25 per centum of the total annual contributions made for that year by all members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization toward the maintenance of such Assembly, and (2) \$200,000, \$100,000 for the House delegation and \$100,000 for the Senate delegation, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to assist in meeting the expenses of the United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is made, such appropriation to be dispersed on voucher to be approved by the Chairman of the House delegation and the Chairman of the Senate delegation. (July 11, 1956, ch. 562, § 2, 70 Stat. 523; June 30, 1958, Pub. L. 85–477, ch. V, § 502(d), 72 Stat. 273; Nov. 14, 1967, Pub. L. 90–137, Pt. IV, § 401(a), 81 Stat. 463; Feb. 7, 1972, Pub. L.

92-226, Pt. IV, § 405, 86 Stat. 34; Dec. 22, 1987, Pub. L. 100-202, § 101(a) [Title III, § 303], 101 Stat. 1329, 1329-23; Dec. 22, 1987, Pub. L. 100-204, Title VII, § 744(b), 101 Stat. 1396; Nov. 29, 1999, Pub. L. 106-113, § 1000(a)(7), 113 Stat. 1501A-459; Nov. 28, 2001, Pub. L. 107-77, Title IV, § 408(b)(1), 115 Stat. 790).