

1 (f) POWERS OF RULEMAKING COMMITTEE.—

2 (1) HEARINGS.—The rulemaking committee
3 may hold such hearings, sit and act at such times
4 and places, take such testimony, and receive such
5 evidence as the rulemaking committee considers ad-
6 visable to carry out this section.

7 (2) INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—The rulemaking com-
9 mittee may secure directly from a Federal de-
10 partment or agency such information as the
11 rulemaking committee considers necessary to
12 carry out this section.

13 (B) FURNISHING INFORMATION.—On re-
14 quest of the Chairperson of the rulemaking
15 committee, the head of the department or agen-
16 cy shall furnish the information to the rule-
17 making committee.

18 (g) RULEMAKING COMMITTEE PERSONNEL MAT-
19 TERS.—

20 (1) NO COMPENSATION.—A member of the
21 rulemaking committee shall not be compensated for
22 service on the rulemaking committee.

23 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—A member of the rule-
24 making committee shall be allowed travel expenses,
25 including per diem in lieu of subsistence, at rates

1 authorized for employees of agencies under sub-
2 chapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States
3 Code, while away from their homes or regular places
4 of business in the performance of services for the
5 rulemaking committee.

6 (h) ADMINISTRATION.—Except as specified otherwise
7 in this section, the rulemaking committee shall be treated
8 as a committee established under chapter 151 of title 46,
9 United States Code, for purposes of section 15109 of such
10 title.

11 (i) TERMINATION.—The rulemaking committee shall
12 terminate on the earlier of—

13 (1) the date that is 90 days after the date on
14 which the rulemaking committee submits the report
15 under subsection (e)(2); or

16 (2) the date that is 7 years after the date on
17 which the rulemaking committee is established.

18 (j) DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.—The Secretary
19 shall—

20 (1) not later than 30 days after receiving the
21 rulemaking committee's report under subsection
22 (e)(2), submit to the appropriate committees of Con-
23 gress, and make publicly available, a copy of such
24 report and the Secretary's views on the rec-
25 ommendations of the committee; and