

gram authorized under section 2704 of this title, the Secretary is authorized to make repayable emergency mortgage relief payments directly to such mortgagee on behalf of homeowners whose mortgages are held by such financial institution and who are delinquent in their mortgage payments.

(b) Mortgages eligible; terms and conditions

Emergency mortgage relief payments shall be made under this section only with respect to a mortgage which meets the requirements of section 2702 of this title and only on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, subject to the provisions of section 2703 of this title.

(c) Processing of relief payments; power of Secretary

The Secretary may make such delegations and accept such certifications with respect to the processing of mortgage relief payments provided under this section as he deems appropriate to facilitate the prompt and efficient implementation of the assistance authorized under this section.

(Pub. L. 94-50, title I, §106, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 251.)

§ 2706. Emergency Homeowners' Relief Fund

(a) To carry out the purposes of this chapter, the Secretary is authorized to establish in the Treasury of the United States an Emergency Homeowners' Relief Fund (hereinafter in this chapter referred to as the "fund") which shall be available to the Secretary without fiscal year limitation—

(1) for making payments in connection with defaulted loans or advances of credit insured under section 2704 of this title;

(2) for making emergency mortgage relief payments under section 2705 of this title;

(3) to pay such administrative expenses (or portion of such expenses) of carrying out the provisions of this chapter as the Secretary may deem necessary.

(b) The fund shall be credited with—

(1) all amounts received by the Secretary as premium charges for insurance or as repayment for emergency mortgage relief payments under this chapter and all receipts, earnings, collections, or proceeds derived from any claim or other assets acquired by the Secretary under this Act; and

(2) such amounts as may be appropriated for the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 94-50, title I, §107, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 252; Pub. L. 98-479, title II, §204(m)(1), Oct. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 2234; Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §1496(b)(4), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2208.)

AMENDMENT OF SECTION

Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §§1400(c), 1496(b)(4), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2136, 2208, provided that this section is amended, effective on the date on which final regulations implementing such amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date, by striking out "(a)" and subsection (b). See Effective Date of 2010 Amendment note below.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), is Pub. L. 94-50, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 249, as amended, known as the Emergency Housing Act of 1975, which in addition to enacting this chapter, amended sections 1723e, 1723e note and 1735b of this title, and sections 1452 and 4106 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2701 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1984—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 98-479, §204(m)(1)(A), (B), redesignated subsec. (a)(1) as subsec. (a) and subpars. (A), (B), and (C) as pars. (1), (2), and (3), respectively.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 98-479, §204(m)(1)(C), (D), redesignated subsec. (a)(2) as subsec. (b) and subpars. (A) and (B) as pars. (1) and (2), respectively.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the date on which final regulations implementing that amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date, see section 1400(c) of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 1601 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

EMERGENCY MORTGAGE RELIEF

Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §1496(a), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2207, provided that: "Effective October 1, 2010, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, there is hereby made available to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development such sums as are necessary to provide \$1,000,000,000 in assistance through the Emergency Homeowners' Relief Fund, which such Secretary shall establish pursuant to section 107 of the Emergency Housing Act of 1975 (12 U.S.C. 2706), as such Act is amended by this section, for use for emergency mortgage assistance in accordance with title I of such Act [12 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.]."

§ 2707. Authority of Secretary

(a) Rules and regulations

The Secretary is authorized to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

(b) Payment of expenses and charges relating to acquisition, handling, improvement, or disposal of real and personal property

Notwithstanding any other provision of law relating to the acquisition, handling, improvement, or disposal of real or other property by the United States, the Secretary shall have power, for the protection of the interest of the fund authorized under this chapter, to pay out of such fund all expenses or charges in connection with the acquisition, handling, improvement, or disposal of any property, real or personal, acquired by the Secretary as a result of recoveries under security, subrogation, or other rights.

(c) Powers with respect to property rights held by Secretary

In the performance of, with respect to, the functions, powers, and duties vested in the Secretary by this chapter, the Secretary shall—

(1) have the power, notwithstanding any other provision of law, whether before or after default, to provide by contract or otherwise for the extinguishment upon default of any redemption, equitable, legal, or other right, title in any mortgage, deed, trust, or other instru-

ment held by or held on behalf of the Secretary under the provisions of this chapter; and

(2) have the power to foreclose on any property or commence any action to protect or enforce any right conferred upon the Secretary by law, contract, or other agreement, and bid for and purchase at any foreclosure or other sale any property in connection with which assistance has been provided pursuant to this chapter. In the event of any such acquisition, the Secretary may, notwithstanding any other provision of law relating to the acquisition, handling, or disposal of real property by the United States, complete, remodel and convert, dispose of, lease, and otherwise deal with, such property. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary also shall have power to pursue to final collection by way of compromise or otherwise all claims acquired by him in connection with any security, subrogation, or other rights obtained by him in administering this chapter.

(Pub. L. 94-50, title I, §108, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 252; Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §1496(b)(5), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2208.)

AMENDMENT OF SECTION

Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §§1400(c), 1496(b)(5), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2136, 2208, provided that this section is amended, effective on the date on which final regulations implementing such amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date, by adding at the end the following:

“(d) Coverage of existing programs

“The Secretary shall allow funds to be administered by a State that has an existing program that is determined by the Secretary to provide substantially similar assistance to homeowners. After such determination is made such State shall not be required to modify such program to comply with the provisions of this chapter.”

See Effective Date of 2010 Amendment note below.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the date on which final regulations implementing that amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date, see section 1400(c) of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 1601 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

§ 2708. Authorization and expiration date

(a) There are authorized to be appropriated for purposes of this chapter such sums as may be necessary, except that the funds authorized to be appropriated for section 2705 of this title shall not exceed \$500,000,000. Any amounts so appropriated shall remain available until expended.

(b) No loans or advance of credit shall be insured and no emergency mortgage relief payments made under this chapter after September 30, 1977, except if such loan or advance or such payments are made with respect to a mortgagor

receiving the benefit of a loan or advance insured, or emergency mortgage relief payments made, under this chapter on such date.

(Pub. L. 94-50, title I, §109, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 253; Pub. L. 94-375, §13(a), Aug. 3, 1976, 90 Stat. 1075; Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §1496(b)(6), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2209.)

AMENDMENT OF SECTION

Pub. L. 111-203, title XIV, §§1400(c), 1496(b)(6), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2136, 2209, provided that this section is amended, effective on the date on which final regulations implementing such amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date:

(1) in the section catchline, by striking out “Authorization and”;

(2) by striking out subsection (a);

(3) by striking out “(b)”; and

(4) by substituting “2011” for “1977”.

See Effective Date of 2010 Amendment note below.

AMENDMENTS

1976—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-375 substituted “September 30, 1977” for “June 30, 1976”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the date on which final regulations implementing that amendment take effect, or on the date that is 18 months after the designated transfer date if such regulations have not been issued by that date, see section 1400(c) of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 1601 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

§ 2709. Waiver and relaxation by institutions and approved mortgagees of limitations with respect to mortgage delinquencies; notification to Federal supervisory agency prior to foreclosure proceedings

Each Federal supervisory agency with respect to financial institutions subject to its jurisdiction, and the Secretary, with respect to other approved mortgagees, shall (1) prior to October 1, 1977, take appropriate action, not inconsistent with laws relating to the safety or soundness of such institutions or mortgagee, as the case may be, to waive or relax limitations pertaining to the operations of such institutions or mortgagees with respect to mortgage delinquencies in order to cause or encourage forbearance in residential mortgage loan foreclosures, and (2) until one year from July 2, 1975, request each such institution or mortgagee to notify that Federal supervisory agency, the Secretary, and the mortgagor, at least thirty days prior to instituting foreclosure proceedings in connection with any mortgage loan. As used in this chapter the term “Federal supervisory agency” means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, and the National Credit Union Administration.

(Pub. L. 94-50, title I, §110, July 2, 1975, 89 Stat. 253; Pub. L. 94-375, §13(b), Aug. 3, 1976, 90 Stat. 1075; Pub. L. 98-479, title II, §204(m)(2), Oct. 17,