

“(c) TRANSFER OF ASSETS; ETC.—The Secretary shall transfer to the National Credit Union Administration all assets, liabilities, grants, contracts, property, records, and funds held, used, arising from, or available to the Secretary in connection with the administration of the Fund before the end of the 60-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 6, 1986].

“(d) SAVINGS PROVISIONS.—

“(1) REGULATIONS.—Any regulations prescribed by the Secretary in connection with the administration of the Fund shall continue in effect until superseded by regulations prescribed by the Board.

“(2) EXISTING RIGHTS, DUTIES, AND OBLIGATIONS NOT AFFECTED.—Subsection (a) shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any right, duty, or obligation of the United States or any other person arising under or pursuant to any contract, loan, or other instrument or agreement which was in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 6, 1986].

“(3) CONTINUATION OF SUITS.—No action or other proceeding commenced by or against the Secretary in connection with the administration of the Fund shall abate by reason of the enactment of this Act, except that the Board shall be substituted for the Secretary as a party to any such action or proceeding.

“(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) BOARD.—The term ‘Board’ means the National Credit Union Administration Board.

“(2) FUND.—The term ‘Fund’ means the Community Development Credit Union Revolving Loan Fund established under title VII of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 [see References in Text note above] (as in effect before the date of the enactment of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 [Aug. 13, 1981]).

“(3) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.”

SUBCHAPTER II—HEAD START PROGRAMS

CODIFICATION

Subchapter is based on subchapter B of chapter 8 of subtitle A of title VI of Pub. L. 97-35, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 499, as amended.

§ 9831. Statement of purpose

It is the purpose of this subchapter to promote the school readiness of low-income children by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development—

(1) in a learning environment that supports children’s growth in language, literacy, mathematics, science, social and emotional functioning, creative arts, physical skills, and approaches to learning; and

(2) through the provision to low-income children and their families of health, educational, nutritional, social, and other services that are determined, based on family needs assessments, to be necessary.

(Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, § 636, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 499; Pub. L. 101-501, title I, § 102, Nov. 3, 1990, 104 Stat. 1224; Pub. L. 105-285, title I, § 102, Oct. 27, 1998, 112 Stat. 2703; Pub. L. 110-134, § 2, Dec. 12, 2007, 121 Stat. 1363.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Pub. L. 110-134 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “It is the purpose of this subchapter to promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of low-income children through the provision, to low-income children and their families, of health, educational, nutritional, social, and other services that are deter-

mined, based on family needs assessments, to be necessary.”

1998—Pub. L. 105-285 amended section catchline and text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows:

“(a) In recognition of the role which Project Head Start has played in the effective delivery of comprehensive health, educational, nutritional, social, and other services to economically disadvantaged children and their families, it is the purpose of this subchapter to extend the authority for the appropriation of funds for such program.

“(b) In carrying out the provisions of this subchapter, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall continue the administrative arrangement responsible for meeting the needs of migrant, non-English language background, and Indian children and shall assure that appropriate funding is provided to meet such needs.”

1990—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-501 inserted “, non-English language background,” after “migrant”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-501 effective Oct. 1, 1990, see section 1001(a) of Pub. L. 101-501, set out as a note under section 8621 of this title.

SHORT TITLE

For short title of this subchapter as the “Head Start Act”, see section 635 of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as a note under section 9801 of this title.

§ 9832. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter:

(1) The term “child with a disability” means—

- (A) a child with a disability, as defined in section 1401(3) of title 20; and
- (B) an infant or toddler with a disability, as defined in section 1432(5) of title 20.

(2) The term “deficiency” means—

- (A) a systemic or substantial material failure of an agency in an area of performance that the Secretary determines involves—
  - (i) a threat to the health, safety, or civil rights of children or staff;
  - (ii) a denial to parents of the exercise of their full roles and responsibilities related to program operations;
  - (iii) a failure to comply with standards related to early childhood development and health services, family and community partnerships, or program design and management;
  - (iv) the misuse of funds received under this subchapter;
  - (v) loss of legal status (as determined by the Secretary) or financial viability, loss of permits, debarment from receiving Federal grants or contracts, or the improper use of Federal funds; or
  - (vi) failure to meet any other Federal or State requirement that the agency has shown an unwillingness or inability to correct, after notice from the Secretary, within the period specified;
- (B) systemic or material failure of the governing body of an agency to fully exercise its legal and fiduciary responsibilities; or
- (C) an unresolved area of noncompliance.

(3) The term “delegate agency” means a public, private nonprofit (including a community-based organization, as defined in section