

ods by which proved and approved claims for losses may be adjusted and paid for any damage to or loss of property which is covered by flood insurance made available under the provisions of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1312, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 579; Pub. L. 98-181, title IV, §451(d)(1), Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229.)

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#### AMENDMENTS

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### § 4020. Dissemination of flood insurance information

The Director shall from time to time take such action as may be necessary in order to make information and data available to the public, and to any State or local agency or official, with regard to—

- (1) the flood insurance program, its coverage and objectives, and
- (2) estimated and chargeable flood insurance premium rates, including the basis for and differences between such rates in accordance with the provisions of section 4015 of this title.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1313, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 579; Pub. L. 98-181, title IV, §451(d)(1), Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229.)

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### § 4021. Repealed. Pub. L. 93-234, title II, § 203, Dec. 31, 1973, 87 Stat. 982

Section, Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1314, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 579, denied Federal disaster assistance after Dec. 31, 1973, to persons who for a period of a year or more could have purchased flood insurance but did not do so, and defined "Federal disaster assistance" and "financial assistance".

#### LOSS, DESTRUCTION, OR DAMAGE OCCURRING ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1973

Pub. L. 92-213, §2(b), Dec. 22, 1971, 85 Stat. 775, made the provisions of subsec. (a)(2) of section 4021 inapplicable with respect to any loss, destruction, or damage of real or personal property that occurred on or before Dec. 31, 1973.

### § 4022. State and local land use controls

#### (a) Requirement for participation in flood insurance program

##### (1) In general

After December 31, 1971, no new flood insurance coverage shall be provided under this chapter in any area (or subdivision thereof) unless an appropriate public body shall have adopted adequate land use and control measures (with effective enforcement provisions) which the Director finds are consistent with the comprehensive criteria for land management and use under section 4102 of this title.

##### (2) Agricultural structures

###### (A) Activity restrictions

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the adequate land use and control measures required to be adopted in an area (or subdivision thereof) pursuant to paragraph (1) may provide, at the discretion of the appropriate State or local authority, for the repair and restoration to predamaged conditions of an agricultural structure that—

- (i) is a repetitive loss structure; or
- (ii) has incurred flood-related damage to the extent that the cost of restoring the structure to its predamaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

###### (B) Premium rates and coverage

To the extent applicable, an agricultural structure repaired or restored pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall pay chargeable premium rates established under section 4015 of this title at the estimated risk premium rates under section 4014(a)(1) of this title. If resources are available, the Director shall provide technical assistance and counseling, upon request of the owner of the structure, regarding wet flood-proofing and other flood damage reduction measures for agricultural structures. The Director shall not be required to make flood insurance coverage available for such an agricultural structure unless the structure is wet flood-proofed

through permanent or contingent measures applied to the structure or its contents that prevent or provide resistance to damage from flooding by allowing flood waters to pass through the structure, as determined by the Director.

**(C) Prohibition on disaster relief**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any agricultural structure repaired or restored pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall not be eligible for disaster relief assistance under any program administered by the Director or any other Federal agency.

**(D) Definitions**

For purposes of this paragraph—

(i) the term “agricultural structure” means any structure used exclusively in connection with the production, harvesting, storage, raising, or drying of agricultural commodities; and

(ii) the term “agricultural commodities” means agricultural commodities and livestock.

**(b) Community rating system and incentives for community floodplain management**

**(1) Authority and goals**

The Director shall carry out a community rating system program, under which communities participate voluntarily—

(A) to provide incentives for measures that reduce the risk of flood or erosion damage that exceed the criteria set forth in section 4102 of this title and evaluate such measures;

(B) to encourage adoption of more effective measures that protect natural and beneficial floodplain functions;

(C) to encourage floodplain and erosion management; and

(D) to promote the reduction of Federal flood insurance losses.

**(2) Incentives**

The program shall provide incentives in the form of credits on premium rates for flood insurance coverage in communities that the Director determines have adopted and enforced measures that reduce the risk of flood and erosion damage that exceed the criteria set forth in section 4102 of this title. In providing incentives under this paragraph, the Director may provide for credits to flood insurance premium rates in communities that the Director determines have implemented measures that protect natural and beneficial floodplain functions.

**(3) Credits**

The credits on premium rates for flood insurance coverage shall be based on the estimated reduction in flood and erosion damage risks resulting from the measures adopted by the community under this program. If a community has received mitigation assistance under section 4104c of this title, the credits shall be phased in a manner, determined by the Director, to recover the amount of such assistance provided for the community.

**(4) Reports**

Not later than 2 years after September 23, 1994, and not less than every 2 years there-

after, the Director shall submit a report to the Congress regarding the program under this subsection. Each report shall include an analysis of the cost-effectiveness of the program, any other accomplishments or shortcomings of the program, and any recommendations of the Director for legislation regarding the program.

**(c) Replacement of mobile homes on original sites**

**(1) Community participation**

The placement of any mobile home on any site shall not affect the eligibility of any community to participate in the flood insurance program under this chapter and the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (notwithstanding that such placement may fail to comply with any elevation or flood damage mitigation requirements), if—

(A) such mobile home was previously located on such site;

(B) such mobile home was relocated from such site because of flooding that threatened or affected such site; and

(C) such replacement is conducted not later than the expiration of the 180-day period that begins upon the subsidence (in the area of such site) of the body of water that flooded to a level considered lower than flood levels.

**(2) Definition**

For purposes of this subsection, the term “mobile home” has the meaning given such term in the law of the State in which the mobile home is located.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1315, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 580; Pub. L. 91-152, title IV, §410(b), Dec. 24, 1969, 83 Stat. 397; Pub. L. 98-181, title IV, §451(d)(1), Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229; Pub. L. 103-325, title V, §§541, 580, Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2268, 2285; Pub. L. 108-264, title I, §108, June 30, 2004, 118 Stat. 724.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

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The Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, referred to in subsec. (c)(1), is Pub. L. 93-234, Dec. 31, 1973, 87 Stat. 975, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1973 Amendment note set out under section 4001 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-264 added subsec. (c).

1994—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 103-325, §541(1), designated existing provisions as subsec. (a)(1) and inserted headings.

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 103-325, §580, added par. (2).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103-325, §541(2), added subsec. (b). 1983—Pub. L. 98-181 substituted “Director” for “Secretary”.

1969—Pub. L. 91-152 substituted provisions prohibiting new flood insurance coverage after Dec. 31, 1971, unless adequate land use measures have been adopted, for provisions prohibiting such coverage after June 30, 1970, unless permanent land use measures have been adopted.

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#### § 4023. Properties in violation of State and local law

No new flood insurance coverage shall be provided under this chapter for any property which the Director finds has been declared by a duly constituted State or local zoning authority, or other authorized public body, to be in violation of State or local laws, regulations, or ordinances which are intended to discourage or otherwise restrict land development or occupancy in flood-prone areas.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1316, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 580; Pub. L. 98-181, title IV, §451(d)(1), Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229.)

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#### § 4024. Coordination with other programs

In carrying out this chapter, the Director shall consult with other departments and agencies of the Federal Government, and with interstate, State, and local agencies having responsibilities for flood control, flood forecasting, or flood damage prevention, in order to assure that the programs of such agencies and the flood in-

surance program authorized under this chapter are mutually consistent.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1317, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 581; Pub. L. 98-181, title IV, §451(d)(1), Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229.)

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#### § 4025. Flood insurance advisory committee

##### (a) Appointment; duties

The Director shall appoint a flood insurance advisory committee without regard to the provisions of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service, and such committee shall advise the Director in the preparation of any regulations prescribed in accordance with this chapter and with respect to policy matters arising in the administration of this chapter, and shall perform such other responsibilities as the Director may, from time to time, assign to such committee.

##### (b) Membership

Such committee shall consist of not more than fifteen persons and such persons shall be selected from among representatives of—

- (1) the insurance industry,
- (2) State and local governments,
- (3) lending institutions,
- (4) the homebuilding industry, and
- (5) the general public.

##### (c) Compensation and travel expenses

Members of the committee shall, while attending conferences or meetings thereof, be entitled to receive compensation at a rate fixed by the Director but not exceeding \$100 per day, including traveltime, and while so serving away from their homes or regular places of business they may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as is authorized under section 5703 of title 5 for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.