# §2312. Administration absent State agreement

# (a) Promulgation of regulations; fair hearing

In any State where there is no agreement in force between a State or its agency under section 2311 of this title, the Secretary shall arrange under regulations prescribed by him for performance of all necessary functions under subpart B of this part, including provision for a fair hearing for any worker whose application for payments is denied.

# (b) Review of final determination

A final determination under subsection (a) of this section with respect to entitlement to program benefits under subpart B of this part is subject to review by the courts in the same manner and to the same extent as is provided by section 405(g) of title 42.

(Pub. L. 93-618, title II, §240, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 2025.)

#### TERMINATION DATE

No trade adjustment assistance, vouchers, allowances, or other payments or benefits may be provided under this section after Dec. 31, 2013, except as otherwise provided, see section 285 of Pub. L. 93-618, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

# §2313. Payments to States

# (a) Certification to Secretary of the Treasury for payment to cooperating States

The Secretary shall from time to time certify to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment to each cooperating State the sums necessary to enable such State as agent of the United States to make payments provided for by this part.

#### (b) Utilization or return of money

All money paid a State under this section shall be used solely for the purposes for which it is paid; and money so paid which is not used for such purposes shall be returned, at the time specified in the agreement under this subpart, to the Secretary of the Treasury.

#### (c) Surety bonds

Any agreement under this subpart may require any officer or employee of the State certifying payments or disbursing funds under the agreement or otherwise participating in the performance of the agreement, to give a surety bond to the United States in such amount as the Secretary may deem necessary, and may provide for the payment of the cost of such bond from funds for carrying out the purposes of this part.

(Pub. L. 93-618, title II, §241, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 2025; Pub. L. 97-35, title XXV, §2513(b), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 889.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97–35 struck out provisions relating to payment to the State by the Secretary of the Treasury from the Adjustment Assistance Trust Fund prior to audit or settlement by the General Accounting Office.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97–35 struck out provisions relating to crediting money returned to the Secretary of the Treasury to the Adjustment Assistance Trust Fund.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT AND TRANSITION PROVISIONS

Amendment by Pub. L.  $97{-}35$  effective Aug. 1981, with transition provisions applicable, see section 2514 of

Pub. L. 97-35, set out as a note under section 2291 of this title.

#### TERMINATION DATE

No trade adjustment assistance, vouchers, allowances, or other payments or benefits may be provided under this section after Dec. 31, 2013, except as otherwise provided, see section 285 of Pub. L. 93-618, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

#### §2314. Liabilities of certifying and disbursing officers

### (a) Certifying officer

No person designated by the Secretary, or designated pursuant to an agreement under this subpart, as a certifying officer, shall, in the absence of gross negligence or intent to defraud the United States, be liable with respect to any payment certified by him under this part.

#### (b) Disbursing officer

No disbursing officer shall, in the absence of gross negligence or intent to defraud the United States, be liable with respect to any payment by him under this part if it was based upon a voucher signed by a certifying officer designated as provided in subsection (a) of this section.

(Pub. L. 93-618, title II, §242, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 2026.)

#### TERMINATION DATE

No trade adjustment assistance, vouchers, allowances, or other payments or benefits may be provided under this section after Dec. 31, 2013, except as otherwise provided, see section 285 of Pub. L. 93-618, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

#### §2315. Fraud and recovery of overpayments

#### (a) Repayment; deductions

(1) If a cooperating State agency, the Secretary, or a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any person has received any payment under this part to which the person was not entitled, including a payment referred to in subsection (b) of this section, such person shall be liable to repay such amount to the State agency or the Secretary, as the case may be, except that the State agency or the Secretary shall waive such repayment if such agency or the Secretary determines that—

(A) the payment was made without fault on the part of such individual, and

(B) requiring such repayment would cause a financial hardship for the individual (or the individual's household, if applicable) when taking into consideration the income and resources reasonably available to the individual (or household) and other ordinary living expenses of the individual (or household).

(2) Unless an overpayment is otherwise recovered, or waived under paragraph (1), the State agency or the Secretary shall recover the overpayment by deductions from any sums payable to such person under this part, under any Federal unemployment compensation law administered by the State agency or the Secretary, or under any other Federal law administered by the State agency or the Secretary which provides for the payment of assistance or an allowance with respect to unemployment, and, notwithstanding any other provision of State law or Federal law to the contrary, the Secretary may require the State agency to recover any overpayment under this part by deduction from any unemployment insurance payable to such person under the State law, except that no single deduction under this paragraph shall exceed 50 percent of the amount otherwise payable.

## (b) False representation or nondisclosure of material fact

If a cooperating State agency, the Secretary, or a court of competent jurisdiction determines that an individual—

(1) knowingly has made, or caused another to make, a false statement or representation of a material fact, or

(2) knowingly has failed, or caused another to fail, to disclose a material fact,

and as a result of such false statement or representation, or of such nondisclosure, such individual has received any payment under this part to which the individual was not entitled, such individual shall, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, be ineligible for any further payments under this part.

# (c) Notice of determination; fair hearing; finality

Except for overpayments determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, no repayment may be required, and no deduction may be made, under this section until a determination under subsection (a)(1) of this section by the State agency or the Secretary, as the case may be, has been made, notice of the determination and an opportunity for a fair hearing thereon has been given to the individual concerned, and the determination has become final.

#### (d) Recovered amount returned to Treasury

Any amount recovered under this section shall be returned to the Treasury of the United States.

(Pub. L. 93-618, title II, §243, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 2026; Pub. L. 97-35, title XXV, §2509, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 887; Pub. L. 111-5, div. B, title I, §1855, Feb. 17, 2009, 123 Stat. 394; Pub. L. 112-40, title II, §201(b), (c), Oct. 21, 2011, 125 Stat. 403.)

#### REVERSION TO PROVISIONS IN EFFECT ON FEBRUARY 13, 2011

For reversion, beginning on Jan. 1, 2014, to provisions in effect on Feb. 13, 2011, with certain exceptions and subject to section 233(b) of Pub. L. 112–40, see Codification and Effective and Termination Dates of 2011 Revival notes below.

#### CODIFICATION

Section 1893 of Pub. L. 111-5, which provided for Feb. 13, 2011, termination of amendment by Pub. L. 111-5, was repealed by Pub. L. 112-40, title II, §201(a), Oct. 21, 2011, 125 Stat. 403, and the provisions of this section, as amended by Pub. L. 111-5 and as in effect on Feb. 12, 2011, were temporarily revived, effective Oct. 21, 2011, until Jan. 1, 2014, by Pub. L. 112-40, §§201(b), (c), 233. See 2009 and 2011 Amendment notes, Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment notes, and Effective and Termination Dates of 2011 Revival note below.

#### Amendments

2011—Pub. L. 112–40, \$ 201(b), (c), 233, temporarily revived the provisions of this section, as in effect on Feb.

12, 2011. See Codification note above and 2009 Amendment and Effective and Termination Dates of 2011 Revival notes below.

2009—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 111-5, §§ 1855(1), 1893, in introductory provisions, temporarily substituted "shall waive" for "may waive" and struck out ", in accordance with guidelines prescribed by the Secretary," before "that—". See Codification note above and Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment note below.

Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 111-5, §§1855(2), 1893, temporarily substituted "would cause a financial hardship for the individual (or the individual's household, if applicable) when taking into consideration the income and resources reasonably available to the individual (or household) and other ordinary living expenses of the individual (or household)" for "would be contrary to equity and good conscience". See Codification note above and Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment note below.

1981—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97–35 designated existing provisions as par. (1), revised provisions, made changes in nomenclature and, among other changes, inserted provisions respecting waiver, and added par. (2).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-35 substituted provisions relating to ineligibility for other payments for provisions relating to deposit, return, and credit of repayments.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 97-35 added subsecs. (c) and (d).

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 2011 REVIVAL

For temporary revival and applicability of provisions as in effect on Feb. 12, 2011, see sections 201(b), (c) and 233 of Pub. L. 112–40, set out as notes preceding section 2271 of this title. For reversion, beginning on Jan. 1, 2014, to provisions in effect on Feb. 13, 2011, with certain exceptions and subject to section 233(b) of Pub. L. 112–40, see section 233 of Pub. L. 112–40, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Except as otherwise provided and subject to certain applicability provisions, amendment by Pub. L. 111-5 effective upon the expiration of the 90-day period beginning on Feb. 17, 2009, see section 1891 of Pub. L. 111-5, set out as a note under section 2271 of this title.

Section 1893 of Pub. L. 111-5, which provided that, except as otherwise provided, amendment by Pub. L. 111-5 not applicable on or after Feb. 13, 2011, and that this section be applied and administered beginning Feb. 13, 2011, as if amendment by Pub. L. 111-5 had never been enacted, was repealed by Pub. L. 112-40, title II, §201(a), Oct. 21, 2011, 125 Stat. 403. See Codification note above.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT AND TRANSITION PROVISIONS

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-35 effective Aug. 13, 1981, with transition provisions applicable, see section 2514 of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as a note under section 2291 of this title.

#### TERMINATION DATE

No trade adjustment assistance, vouchers, allowances, or other payments or benefits may be provided under this section after Dec. 31, 2013, except as otherwise provided, see section 285 of Pub. L. 93-618, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

# §2316. Penalties

#### Any person who-

(1) makes a false statement of a material fact knowing it to be false, or knowingly fails to disclose a material fact, for the purpose of obtaining or increasing for that person or for any other person any payment authorized to be furnished under this part or pursuant to an agreement under section 2311 of this title, or