

chased with the proceeds of the loan or loans if—

- (1) the fair market value of the land has declined by at least 25 percent since such land was purchased by the borrower;
- (2) the land has been held by the borrower for a period of at least 5 years; and
- (3) the Secretary of the Interior finds that the borrower has insufficient income to both repay the loan or loans and provide normal tribal governmental services.

**(b) Fair market value**

**(1) Appraisal**

Current fair market value under subsection (a) of this section shall be determined through an appraisal by an independent qualified fee appraiser, selected by mutual agreement between the borrower and the Secretary of Agriculture.

**(2) Costs**

The cost of appraisals undertaken under paragraph (1) shall be paid by the borrower.

**(c) Appeals**

Decisions of the Secretary of Agriculture under this section shall be appealable in accordance with the provisions of section 333B<sup>1</sup> of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b).

**(d) Future applications**

A borrower that had a loan or loans reduced under this section shall not submit an application for another reduction on such loan or loans for a period of 5 years after the initial reduction.

(Pub. L. 91-229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101-82, title III, § 303, Aug. 14, 1989, 103 Stat. 583.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 333B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b), referred to in subsec. (c), was repealed by Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 281(c), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3233.

CODIFICATION

Another section 6 of Pub. L. 91-229 was added by Pub. L. 101-624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837, and is classified to section 494 of this title.

**§ 494. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out sections 488 to 494 of this title \$8,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1991 through 1995.

(Pub. L. 91-229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837.)

CODIFICATION

Another section 6 of Pub. L. 91-229 was added by Pub. L. 101-82, title III, § 303, Aug. 14, 1989, 103 Stat. 583, and is classified to section 493 of this title.

**§ 494a. Certification of rental proceeds**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any actual rental proceeds from the lease of land acquired under section 488 of this title certified by the Secretary of the Interior shall be deemed—

(1) to constitute the rental value of that land; and

(2) to satisfy the requirement for appraisal of that land.

(Pub. L. 109-221, title II, § 203, May 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 341.)

SUBCHAPTER VI—INDIANS OF ALASKA

**§ 495. Annette Islands reserved for Metlakatla Indians**

Until otherwise provided by law the body of lands known as Annette Islands, situated in Alexander Archipelago in southeastern Alaska on the north side of Dixon's entrance, is set apart as a reservation for the use of the Metlakatla Indians, and those people known as Metlakatlangs who, on March 3, 1891, had recently emigrated from British Columbia to Alaska, and such other Alaskan natives as may join them, to be held and used by them in common, under such rules and regulations, and subject to such restrictions, as may be prescribed from time to time by the Secretary of the Interior.

(Mar. 3, 1891, ch. 561, § 15, 26 Stat. 1101.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 358 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

**§§ 496, 497. Repealed. Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 704(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2792**

Section 496, act May 1, 1936, ch. 254, § 2, 49 Stat. 1250, authorized Secretary of the Interior to designate as an Indian reservation any area of land which has been reserved for use and occupancy of Indians or Eskimos under sections 280a or 495 of this title, executive order, etc. Section was formerly classified to section 358a of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

Section 497, act May 31, 1938, ch. 304, 52 Stat. 593, authorized Secretary of the Interior to reserve tracts for schools, hospitals, etc., in Alaska for Indians, Eskimos, and Aleuts. Section was formerly classified to section 353a of Title 48.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 704(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2792, provided that the repeal is effective on and after Oct. 21, 1976.

SAVINGS PROVISION

Repeal by Pub. L. 94-579 not to be construed as terminating any valid lease, permit, patent, etc., existing on Oct. 21, 1976, see section 701 of Pub. L. 94-579, set out as a note under section 1701 of Title 43, Public Lands.

SUBCHAPTER VII—REINDEER INDUSTRY

**§ 500. Purpose**

A necessity for providing means of subsistence for the Eskimos and other natives of Alaska is hereby declared to exist. It is also declared to be the policy of Congress, and the purpose of this subchapter, to establish and maintain for the said natives of Alaska a self-sustaining economy by acquiring and organizing for and on behalf of said natives a reindeer industry or business, by encouraging and developing native activity and responsibility in all branches of the said industry or business, and by preserving the native character of the said industry or business thus established.

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.