# § 4054. Premium equalization payments; basis; aggregate amount; establishment of designated periods

(a) The Administrator, on such terms and conditions as he may from time to time prescribe, shall make periodic payments to the pool formed or otherwise created under section 4051 of this title, in recognition of such reductions in chargeable premium rates under section 4015 of this title below estimated premium rates under section 4014(a)(1) of this title as are required in order to make flood insurance available on reasonable terms and conditions.

(b) Designated periods under this section and the methods for determining the sum of premiums paid or payable during such periods shall be established by the Administrator.

(Pub. L. 90–448, title XIII, §1334, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 583; Pub. L. 93–234, title I, §111, Dec. 31, 1973, 87 Stat. 981; Pub. L. 98–181, title I [title IV, §451(d)(1)], Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229; Pub. L. 112–141, div. F, title II, §100238(b)(1), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 958.)

#### **AMENDMENTS**

2012—Pub. L. 112–141 substituted "Administrator" for "Director" in subsecs. (a) and (b).

1983—Pub. L. 98-181 substituted "Director" for "Secretary" in subsecs. (a) and (b).

1973—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 93-234 redesignated subsec. (c) as (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) prescribing formula for sharing losses between Government and industry and permit necessary flexibility in loss sharing to take into account longer-term loss experience trends and to compensate for lack of precision in actuarial computations.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of all functions, personnel, assets, components, authorities, grant programs, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management relating thereto, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, see section 315(a)(1) of Title 6, Domestic Security.

For transfer of functions, personnel, assets, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency relating thereto, to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see former section 313(1) and sections 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

## § 4055. Reinsurance coverage

#### (a) Availability for excess losses

## (1) In general

The Administrator is authorized to take such action as may be necessary in order to make available, to the pool formed or otherwise created under section 4051 of this title, reinsurance for losses (due to claims for proved and approved losses covered by flood insurance) which are in excess of losses assumed by such pool in accordance with the excess loss agreement entered into under subsection (c) of this section.

#### (2) Private reinsurance

The Administrator is authorized to secure reinsurance of coverage provided by the flood

insurance program from the private market at rates and on terms determined by the Administrator to be reasonable and appropriate, in an amount sufficient to maintain the ability of the program to pay claims.

#### (b) Availability pursuant to contract, agreement, or other arrangement; payment of premium, fee, or other charge

Such reinsurance shall be made available pursuant to contract, agreement, or any other arrangement, in consideration of such payment of a premium, fee, or other charge as the Administrator finds necessary to cover anticipated losses and other costs of providing such reinsurance.

#### (c) Excess loss agreement; negotiation

The Administrator is authorized to negotiate an excess loss agreement, from time to time, under which the amount of flood insurance retained by the pool, after ceding reinsurance, shall be adequate to further the purposes of this chapter, consistent with the objective of maintaining appropriate financial participation and risk sharing to the maximum extent practicable on the part of participating insurance companies and other insurers.

## (d) Submission of excess losses on portfolio basis

All reinsurance claims for losses in excess of losses assumed by the pool shall be submitted on a portfolio basis by such pool in accordance with terms and conditions established by the Administrator.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1335, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 583; Pub. L. 98-181, title I [title IV, §451(d)(1)], Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229; Pub. L. 112-141, div. F, title II, §§100232(d)(3), 100238(b)(1), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 954, 958.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (c), was in the original a reference to "this title" meaning title XIII of Pub. L. 90-448, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 572, known as the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4001 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2012—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 112–141, 100232(d)(3), designated existing provisions as par. (1), inserted heading, substituted "The Administrator" for "The Director", and added par. (2).

Subsecs. (b) to (d). Pub. L. 112-141, §100238(b)(1), substituted "Administrator" for "Director".

1983—Pub. L. 98-181 substituted "Director" for "Secretary" wherever appearing.

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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rity, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

## § 4056. Emergency implementation of flood insurance program; applicability of other provisions of law

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, for the purpose of providing flood insurance coverage at the earliest possible time, the Administrator shall carry out the flood insurance program authorized under subchapter I of this chapter during the period ending on the date specified in section 4026 of this title, in accordance with the provisions of this part and the other provisions of this chapter insofar as they relate to this part but subject to the modifications made by or under subsection (b) of this section.

(b) In carrying out the flood insurance program pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the Administrator—

(1) shall provide insurance coverage without regard to any estimated risk premium rates which would otherwise be determined under section 4014 of this title; and

(2) shall utilize the provisions and procedures contained in or prescribed by this part (other than section 4054 of this title) and sections 4081 and 4082 of this title to such extent and in such manner as he may consider necessary or appropriate to carry out the purpose of this section.

(Pub. L. 90-448, title XIII, §1336, as added Pub. L. 91-152, title IV, § 408, Dec. 24, 1969, 83 Stat. 396; amended Pub. L. 92-213, §2(a), Dec. 22, 1971, 85 Stat. 775; Pub. L. 93-234, title I, §106, Dec. 31, 1973, 87 Stat. 979; Pub. L. 94-173, §5, Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 1028; Pub. L. 94-375, §14(b), Aug. 3, 1976, 90 Stat. 1075; Pub. L. 95-128, title VII, §701(b), Oct. 12, 1977, 91 Stat. 1144; Pub. L. 95-406, §6(b), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 880; Pub. L. 95-557, title III, §308(b), Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2098; Pub. L. 96–153, title VI,  $\S602(b)$ , Dec. 21, 1979, 93 Stat. 1137; Pub. L. 97-35, title III, §341(b)(2), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 419; Pub. L. 97-289, §4(b), Oct. 6, 1982, 96 Stat. 1231; Pub. L. 98-35, §4(b), May 26, 1983, 97 Stat. 198; Pub. L. 98-109, §5(b), Oct. 1, 1983, 97 Stat. 746; Pub. L. 98-181, title I [title IV, §451(b), (d)(1)], Nov. 30, 1983, 97 Stat. 1229; Pub. L. 99-120, §4(a)(2), Oct. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 503; Pub. L. 99–156, §4(a)(2), Nov. 15, 1985, 99 Stat. 816; Pub. L. 99-219, §4(a)(2), Dec. 26, 1985, 99 Stat. 1731; Pub. L. 99–267, §4(a)(2), Mar. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 74; Pub. L. 99-272, title III, §3010(a)(2), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 106; Pub. L. 99-289, §1(b), May 2, 1986, 100 Stat. 412; Pub. L. 99-345, §1, June 24, 1986, 100 Stat. 673; Pub. L. 99-430, Sept. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 986; Pub. L. 100-122, §1, Sept. 30, 1987, 101 Stat. 793; Pub. L. 100-154, Nov. 5, 1987, 101 Stat. 890; Pub. L. 100–170, Nov. 17, 1987, 101 Stat. 914; Pub. L. 100-179, Dec. 3, 1987, 101 Stat. 1018; Pub. L. 100-200, Dec. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 1327; Pub. L. 100-242, title V, §541(b), Feb. 5, 1988, 101 Stat. 1939; Pub. L. 101-137, §1(b), Nov. 3, 1989, 103 Stat. 824; Pub. L. 101-508, title II, §2302(b), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-23; Pub. L. 103-325, title V, §571(b), Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2277; Pub. L. 105-46, §118, Sept. 30, 1997, 111 Stat. 1157; Pub. L. 105-65, title III, Oct. 27, 1997, 111 Stat. 1377; Pub. L. 105-276, title III, title V, §599D(b), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat.

2502, 2663; Pub. L. 107–73, title III, Nov. 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 689; Pub. L. 108–3, §2(a)(3), Jan. 13, 2003, 117 Stat. 7; Pub. L. 108–171, §2(a)(3), Dec. 6, 2003, 117 Stat. 2064; Pub. L. 108–199, div. H, §136(a)(3), Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 442; Pub. L. 108–264, title I, §101(c), June 30, 2004, 118 Stat. 714; Pub. L. 112–141, div. F, title II, §100238(b)(1), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 958.)

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This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original a reference to "this title" meaning title XIII of Pub. L. 90-448, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 572, known as the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4001 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2012—Pub. L. 112–141 substituted "Administrator" for "Director" in subsecs. (a) and (b).

2004—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-264 substituted "during the period ending on the date specified in section 4026 of this title, in accordance" for identical language.

Pub. L. 108–199 made amendment identical to that made by Pub. L. 108–171. See 2003 Amendment note below.

2003—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108–171 substituted "on the date specified in section 4026 of this title" for "December 31, 2003".

Pub. L. 108-3 substituted "ending December 31, 2003, in" for "ending December 31, 2002, in".

2001—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-73 substituted "December 31, 2002" for "September 30, 2001".

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105–276, \$599D(b), which directed the substitution of "2001" for "1998", was executed by substituting "2001" for "1999" to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the amendment by Pub. L. 105–276, title III, see below.

Pub. L. 105–276, title III, substituted "1999" for "1998". 1997—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105–65 substituted "September 30, 1998" for "October 23, 1997".

Pub. L. 105-46 substituted "October 23, 1997" for "September 30, 1996".

1994—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103–325 substituted "September 30, 1996" for "September 30, 1995".

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101–508 substituted "September 30, 1995" for "September 30, 1991".

1989—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101–137 substituted "September 30, 1991" for "September 30, 1989".

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-242 substituted "September 30, 1989" for "March 15, 1988".

1987 — Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100–200 substituted "March 15, 1988" for "December 16, 1987".

Pub. L. 100–179 substituted "December 16, 1987" for "December 2, 1987".

Pub. L. 100-170 substituted "December 2, 1987" for "November 15, 1987".

Pub. L. 100-154 substituted "November 15, 1987" for "October 31, 1987".

Pub. L. 100-122 substituted "October 31, 1987" for "September 30, 1987".

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99–430 substituted "September 30, 1987" for "September 30, 1986".

Pub. L. 99-345 substituted "September 30, 1986" for "June 6, 1986".

Pub. L. 99–289 substituted "June 6, 1986" for "April 30, 1986".

Pub. L. 99–272 directed amendment identical to Pub. L. 99–219 substituting "March 17, 1986" for "December 15, 1985".

Pub. L. 99-267 substituted "April 30, 1986" for "March 17, 1986".

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99–219 substituted "March 17, 1986" for "December 15, 1985".

Pub. L. 99-156 substituted "December 15, 1985" for "November 14, 1985".

Pub. L. 99-120 substituted "November 14, 1985" for "September 30, 1985".