the Surgeon General may invite representatives of as many State agencies, designated in accordance with section 291d of this title, to confer as he deems necessary or proper. A conference of the representatives of all such State agencies shall be called annually by the Surgeon General. Upon the application of five or more of such State agencies, it shall be the duty of the Surgeon General to call a conference of representatives of all State agencies joining in the request.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §642, formerly §622, as added Pub. L. 88-443, §3(a), Aug. 18, 1964, 78 Stat. 458, and renumbered §642, Pub. L. 91-296, title II, §201, June 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 344.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 291*l*, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §634, as added Aug. 13, 1946, ch. 958, §2, 60 Stat. 1041, contained provisions similar to this section, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 88-443.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Office of Surgeon General abolished by section 3 of Reorg, Plan No. 3 of 1966, eff. June 25, 1966, 31 F.R. 8855, 80 Stat. 1610, and functions thereof transferred to Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare by section 1 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1966, set out as a note under section 202 of this title. Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare redesignated Secretary of Health and Human Services by section 509(b) of Pub. L. 96-88 which is classified to section 3508(b) of Title 20, Education.

## §291m. State control of operations

Except as otherwise specifically provided, nothing in this subchapter shall be construed as conferring on any Federal officer or employee the right to exercise any supervision or control over the administration, personnel, maintenance, or operation of any facility with respect to which any funds have been or may be expended under this subchapter.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §643, formerly §623, as added Pub. L. 88-443, §3(a), Aug. 18, 1964, 78 Stat. 458, and renumbered §643, Pub. L. 91-296, title II, §201, June 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 344.)

### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 291m, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §635, as added Aug. 13, 1946, ch. 958, \$2, 60 Stat. 1041; amended July 12, 1954, ch. 471, \$4(h), 68 Stat. 467, contained provisions similar to this section, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 88-443.

### § 291m-1. Loans for certain hospital experimentation projects

# (a) Other public or private sources unavailable for alleviation of hardship due to increased construction costs

In order to alleviate hardship on any recipient of a grant under section 291n<sup>1</sup> of this title (as in effect immediately before August 18, 1964) for a project for the construction of an experimental or demonstration facility having as its specific purpose the application of novel means for the reduction of hospital costs with respect to which there has been a substantial increase in the cost of such construction (over the estimated cost of such project on the basis of which such grant was made) through no fault of such recipient, the Secretary is authorized to make a loan to such recipient not exceeding 66% per centum of such increased costs, as determined by the Secretary, if the Secretary determines that such recipient is unable to obtain such an amount for such purpose from other public or private sources.

# (b) Application; form; information

Any such loan shall be made only on the basis of an application submitted to the Secretary in such form and containing such information and assurances as he may prescribe.

# (c) Interest; repayment period

Each such loan shall bear interest at the rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per centum per annum on the unpaid balance thereof and shall be repayable over a period determined by the Secretary to be appropriate, but not exceeding fifty years.

# (d) Authorization of appropriation

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated \$3,500,000 to carry out the provisions of this section.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §643A, formerly §623A, as added Pub. L. 90–174, §11, Dec. 5, 1967, 81 Stat. 541, and renumbered §643A, Pub. L. 91–296, title II, §201, June 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 344.)

#### References in Text

Section 291n of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was repealed by Pub. L. 90–174, 3(b)(1), Dec. 5, 1967, 81 Stat. 535.

#### § 291n. Repealed. Pub. L. 90–174, §3(b)(1), Dec. 5, 1967, 81 Stat. 535

Section, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §644, formerly §624, as added Aug. 18, 1964, Pub. L. 88-443, §3(a), 78 Stat. 459, and renumbered §644, June 30, 1970, Pub. L. 91-296, title II, §201, 84 Stat. 344, provided for research, experiments and demonstrations in utilization of medical facilities, authorization, grants-in-aid, amounts, payment, conditions, authorization of appropriations, and right of recovery of United States Government. See section 242b of this title.

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in a prior section 291n, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §636, as added Oct. 25, 1949, ch. 722, §5, 63 Stat. 900; amended Oct. 6, 1961, Pub. L. 87–395, §4, 75 Stat. 825, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 88–443.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective with respect to appropriations for fiscal year ending after June 30, 1967, see section 3(b) of Pub. L. 90-174, set out as an Effective Date of 1967 Amendment note under section 246 of this title.

#### §291n-1. Omitted

#### CODIFICATION

Section, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VI, §637, formerly §654(c), as added July 12, 1954, ch. 471, §3, 68 Stat. 463; renumbered §637 and amended Aug. 14, 1959, Pub. L. 86-158, title II, §201, 73 Stat. 349, related to transfers of allotments between States, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 88-443, Aug. 18, 1964, 78 Stat. 447. See section 291b of this title.

## §2910. Definitions

For the purposes of this subchapter-

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