

§ 1497. Indian Loan Guaranty and Insurance Fund

(a) Establishment of revolving fund

There is hereby created an Indian Loan Guaranty and Insurance Fund (hereinafter referred to as the “fund”) which shall be available to the Secretary as a revolving fund without fiscal year limitation for carrying out the provisions of this subchapter.

(b) Aggregate loans or surety bonds limitation

The Secretary may use the fund for the purpose of fulfilling the obligations with respect to loans or surety bonds guaranteed or insured under this subchapter, but the aggregate of such loans or surety bonds which are insured or guaranteed by the Secretary shall be limited to \$1,500,000,000.

(c) Assets, liabilities, and obligations of fund; loan and surety bond servicing and purchasing agreements: terms and conditions

All funds, claims, notes, mortgages, contracts, and property acquired by the Secretary under this section, and all collections and proceeds therefrom, shall constitute assets of the fund; and all liabilities and obligations of such assets shall be liabilities and obligations of the fund. The Secretary is authorized to make agreements with respect to servicing loans or surety bonds held, guaranteed, or insured by him under this subchapter and purchasing such guaranteed or insured loans or surety bonds on such terms and conditions as he may prescribe.

(d) Utilization of fund for diverse payments

The Secretary may also utilize the fund to pay taxes, insurance, prior liens, expenses necessary to make fiscal adjustments in connection with the application and transmittal of collections, and other expenses and advances to protect the Secretary for loans or surety bonds which are guaranteed or insured under this subchapter or held by the Secretary, to acquire such security property at foreclosure sale or otherwise, and to pay administrative expenses.

(e) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year beginning in fiscal year 1985 such sums as may be necessary to fulfill obligations with respect to losses on loans or surety bonds guaranteed or insured under this subchapter. All collections and all moneys appropriated pursuant to the authority of this subsection shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title II, §217, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 82; Pub. L. 98-449, §7, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1725; Pub. L. 100-442, §§3, 4(a), (b), 5(d), Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1763, 1764; Pub. L. 105-362, title VIII, §801(b), Nov. 10, 1998, 112 Stat. 3287; Pub. L. 109-221, title IV, §401(d), May 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 343.)

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-221 substituted “\$1,500,000,000” for “\$500,000,000”.

1998—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 105-362 struck out subsec. (f) which read as follows: “If the Secretary determines that the amount in the fund is not sufficient to maintain an adequate level of reserves necessary to meet the responsibilities of the fund in connection with

losses on loans or surety bonds guaranteed or insured under this subchapter, the Secretary shall promptly submit a report notifying Congress of the deficiencies in the fund.”

1988—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-442, §§3, 5(d), inserted “or surety bonds” after “loans” in two places and substituted “\$500,000,000” for “\$200,000,000”.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 100-442, §5(d), inserted “or surety bonds” after “loans” wherever appearing.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 100-442, §§4(a), 5(d), inserted “or surety bonds” after “loans” and substituted “All collections and all moneys appropriated pursuant to the authority of this subsection shall remain available” for “All collections shall remain”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 100-442, §4(b), added subsec. (f).

1984—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 98-449 added subsec. (e).

LIMITATION ON NEW CREDIT AUTHORITY

Pub. L. 100-442, §4(c), Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1763, provided that: “Any new credit authority (as defined in section 3 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 [2 U.S.C. 622]) which is provided by amendments made by this Act [enacting sections 1497a, 1499, and 1544 of this title and amending this section and sections 1452, 1484, 1485, 1496, and 1498 of this title] shall be effective only to such extent and in such amounts as may be approved in advance in appropriation Acts.”

§ 1497a. Supplemental surety bond guarantee

(a) Amount; eligibility

The Secretary is authorized to provide a supplemental surety bond guarantee, not to exceed 20 percent of any loss, for any Indian individual or economic enterprise eligible for a surety guarantee under section 694b of title 15, so that the aggregate of the two guarantees is 100 percent.

(b) Conditions

The Secretary may provide a supplemental guarantee under this section only if the Secretary determines that—

(1) the Indian individual or economic enterprise has secured or will likely secure a surety bond guarantee under section 694b of title 15;

(2) the supplemental guarantee is necessary for the Indian individual or economic enterprise to secure a surety bond;

(3) no more than 25 percent of the surety’s business is comprised of bonds guaranteed pursuant to this section; and

(4) the surety will provide appropriate technical assistance and advice to, and monitor the performance of, the Indian individual or economic enterprise for the prevention or mitigation of a loss.

(c) Fees and charges

The rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary to carry out this section shall include the setting of reasonable fees to be paid by the Indian individual or economic enterprise and reasonable premium charges to be paid by sureties. In setting fees and charges, the Secretary may take into consideration the cost to the surety of providing the services required by paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of this section. The receipts from the fees and charges shall be deposited in the Fund established by section 1497(a) of this title.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title II, §218, as added Pub. L. 100-442, §5(a), Sept. 22, 1988, 102 Stat. 1764.)