# (c) Referral for civil action

### (1) Authority

In lieu of, or in addition to, any action that the Secretary may take under subsection (a) of this section, if the Secretary has reason to believe that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has failed to comply substantially with any provision of this subchapter, the Secretary may refer the matter to the Attorney General of the United States with a recommendation that an appropriate civil action be instituted.

## (2) Civil action

Upon receiving a referral under paragraph (1), the Attorney General may bring a civil action in any United States district court of appropriate jurisdiction for such relief as may be appropriate, including an action—

(A) to recover the amount of the assistance furnished under this subchapter that was not expended in accordance with this subchapter; or

(B) for mandatory or injunctive relief.

## (d) Review

## (1) In general

If the Director receives notice under subsection (a) of this section of the termination, reduction, or limitation of payments under this chapter, the Director—

(A) may, not later than 60 days after receiving such notice, file with the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, or in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, a petition for review of the action of the Secretary; and

(B) upon the filing of any petition under subparagraph (A), shall forthwith transmit copies of the petition to the Secretary and the Attorney General of the United States, who shall represent the Secretary in the litigation.

## (2) Procedure

# (A) In general

The Secretary shall file in the court a record of the proceeding on which the Secretary based the action, as provided in section 2112 of title 28.

## (B) Objections

No objection to the action of the Secretary shall be considered by the court unless the Department has registered the objection before the Secretary.

# (3) Disposition

## (A) Court proceedings

## (i) Jurisdiction of court

The court shall have jurisdiction to affirm or modify the action of the Secretary or to set the action aside in whole or in part.

# (ii) Findings of fact

If supported by substantial evidence on the record considered as a whole, the findings of fact by the Secretary shall be conclusive.

## (iii) Addition

The court may order evidence, in addition to the evidence submitted for review under this subsection, to be taken by the Secretary, and to be made part of the record.

### (B) Secretary

## (i) In general

The Secretary, by reason of the additional evidence referred to in subparagraph (A) and filed with the court—

## (I) may-

(aa) modify the findings of fact of the Secretary; or

(bb) make new findings; and

#### (II) shall file—

(aa) such modified or new findings; and

(bb) the recommendation of the Secretary, if any, for the modification or setting aside of the original action of the Secretary.

## (ii) Findings

The findings referred to in clause (i)(II)(bb) shall, with respect to a question of fact, be considered to be conclusive if those findings are—

(I) supported by substantial evidence on the record; and

(II) considered as a whole.

## (4) Finality

## (A) In general

Except as provided in subparagraph (B), upon the filing of the record under this subsection with the court—

(i) the jurisdiction of the court shall be exclusive; and

(ii) the judgment of the court shall be final.

# (B) Review by Supreme Court

A judgment under subparagraph (A) shall be subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States upon writ of certiorari or certification, as provided in section 1254 of title 28.

(Pub. L. 104–330, title VIII, §818, as added Pub. L. 106–568, title II, §203, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2891, and Pub. L. 106–569, title V, §513, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2985.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (d)(1), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 104-330, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4016, known as the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 106–568, §203, and Pub. L. 106–569, §513, enacted identical sections 818 of Pub. L. 104–330. This section is based on the text of section 818 of Pub. L. 104–330, as added by Pub. L. 106–569, §513.

# § 4238. Monitoring of compliance

# (a) Enforceable agreements

# (1) In general

The Director, through binding contractual agreements with owners or other authorized

entities, shall ensure long-term compliance with the provisions of this subchapter.

#### (2) Measures

The measures referred to in paragraph (1) shall provide for—

(A) to the extent allowable by Federal and State law, the enforcement of the provisions of this subchapter by the Department and the Secretary; and

(B) remedies for breach of the provisions referred to in paragraph (1).

## (b) Periodic monitoring

## (1) In general

Not less frequently than annually, the Director shall review the activities conducted and housing assisted under this subchapter to assess compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.

#### (2) Review

Each review under paragraph (1) shall include onsite inspection of housing to determine compliance with applicable requirements.

## (3) Results

The results of each review under paragraph (1) shall be—

(A) included in a performance report of the Director submitted to the Secretary under section 4239 of this title; and

(B) made available to the public.

#### (c) Performance measures

The Secretary shall establish such performance measures as may be necessary to assess compliance with the requirements of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 104–330, title VIII, §819, as added Pub. L. 106–568, title II, §203, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2893, and Pub. L. 106–569, title V, §513, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2987.)

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 106–568, §203, and Pub. L. 106–569, §513, enacted identical sections 819 of Pub. L. 104–330. This section is based on the text of section 819 of Pub. L. 104–330, as added by Pub. L. 106–569, §513.

# $\S\,4239.$ Performance reports

# (a) Requirement

For each fiscal year, the Director shall—

- (1) review the progress the Department has made during that fiscal year in carrying out the housing plan submitted by the Department under section 4223 of this title; and
- (2) submit a report to the Secretary (in a form acceptable to the Secretary) describing the conclusions of the review.

## (b) Content

Each report submitted under this section for a fiscal year shall—

- (1) describe the use of grant amounts provided to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for that fiscal year;
- (2) assess the relationship of the use referred to in paragraph (1) to the goals identified in the housing plan:
- (3) indicate the programmatic accomplishments of the Department; and

(4) describe the manner in which the Department would change its housing plan submitted under section 4223 of this title as a result of its experiences.

## (c) Submissions

The Secretary shall—

- (1) establish a date for submission of each report under this section;
  - (2) review each such report; and
- (3) with respect to each such report, make recommendations as the Secretary considers appropriate to carry out the purposes of this subchapter.

## (d) Public availability

## (1) Comments by beneficiaries

In preparing a report under this section, the Director shall make the report publicly available to the beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920 (42 Stat. 108 et seq.) and give a sufficient amount of time to permit those beneficiaries to comment on that report before it is submitted to the Secretary (in such manner and at such time as the Director may determine).

# (2) Summary of comments

The report shall include a summary of any comments received by the Director from beneficiaries under paragraph (1) regarding the program to carry out the housing plan.

(Pub. L. 104–330, title VIII, §820, as added Pub. L. 106–568, title II, §203, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2893, and Pub. L. 106–569, title V, §513, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2987.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, referred to in subsec. (d)(1), is act July 9, 1921, ch. 42, 42 Stat. 108, as amended, which was classified generally to sections 691 to 718 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions, and was omitted from the Code.

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 106–568,  $\S$ 203, and Pub. L. 106–569,  $\S$ 513, enacted identical sections 820 of Pub. L. 104–330. This section is based on the text of section 820 of Pub. L. 104–330, as added by Pub. L. 106–569,  $\S$ 513.

## § 4240. Review and audit by Secretary

## (a) Annual review

# (1) In general

The Secretary shall, not less frequently than on an annual basis, make such reviews and audits as may be necessary or appropriate to determine whether—

(A) the Director has-

- (i) carried out eligible activities under this subchapter in a timely manner;
- (ii) carried out and made certifications in accordance with the requirements and the primary objectives of this subchapter and with other applicable laws; and
- (iii) a continuing capacity to carry out the eligible activities in a timely manner;
- (B) the Director has complied with the housing plan submitted by the Director under section 4223 of this title; and
- (C) the performance reports of the Department under section 4240¹ of this title are accurate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be section "4239".