PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to this section were contained in section 1708 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-220.

§ 2901. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subchapter such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1999 through 2003.

(Pub. L. 105–220, title I, §161, Aug. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1021.)

SUBCHAPTER IV—NATIONAL PROGRAMS

§ 2911. Native American programs

(a) Purpose

(1) In general

The purpose of this section is to support employment and training activities for Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian individuals in order—

- (A) to develop more fully the academic, occupational, and literacy skills of such individuals:
- (B) to make such individuals more competitive in the workforce; and
- (C) to promote the economic and social development of Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities in accordance with the goals and values of such communities.

(2) Indian policy

All programs assisted under this section shall be administered in a manner consistent with the principles of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) and the government-to-government relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribal governments.

(b) Definitions

As used in this section:

(1) Alaska Native

The term "Alaska Native" means a Native as such term is defined in section 1602(b) of title 43.

(2) Indian, Indian tribe, and tribal organiza-

The terms "Indian", "Indian tribe", and "tribal organization" have the meanings given such terms in subsections (d), (e), and (l), respectively, of section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

(3) Native Hawaiian and Native Hawaiian organization

The terms "Native Hawaiian" and "Native Hawaiian organization" have the meanings given such terms in section 7517 of title 20.

(c) Program authorized

(1) In general

The Secretary shall, on a competitive basis, make grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, Indian tribes, tribal organizations, Alaska Native entities, In-

dian-controlled organizations serving Indians, or Native Hawaiian organizations to carry out the authorized activities described in subsection (d) of this section.

(2) Exception

The competition for grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements conducted under paragraph (1) shall be conducted every 2 years, except that if a recipient of such a grant, contract, or agreement has performed satisfactorily, the Secretary may waive the requirements for such competition on receipt from the recipient of a satisfactory 2-year program plan for the succeeding 2-year period of the grant, contract, or agreement.

(d) Authorized activities

(1) In general

Funds made available under subsection (c) of this section shall be used to carry out the activities described in paragraph (2) that—

- (A) are consistent with this section; and
- (B) are necessary to meet the needs of Indians or Native Hawaiians preparing to enter, reenter, or retain unsubsidized employment.

(2) Workforce investment activities and supplemental services

(A) In general

Funds made available under subsection (c) of this section shall be used for—

- (i) comprehensive workforce investment activities for Indians or Native Hawaiians; or
- (ii) supplemental services for Indian or Native Hawaiian youth on or near Indian reservations and in Oklahoma, Alaska, or Hawaii.

(B) Special rule

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, individuals who were eligible to participate in programs under section 1671 of this title (as such section was in effect on the day before August 7, 1998) shall be eligible to participate in an activity assisted under this section.

(e) Program plan

In order to receive a grant or enter into a contract or cooperative agreement under this section an entity described in subsection (c) of this section shall submit to the Secretary a program plan that describes a 2-year strategy for meeting the needs of Indian, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian individuals, as appropriate, in the area served by such entity. Such plan shall—

- (1) be consistent with the purpose of this section:
- (2) identify the population to be served;
- (3) identify the education and employment needs of the population to be served and the manner in which the activities to be provided will strengthen the ability of the individuals served to obtain or retain unsubsidized employment;
- (4) describe the activities to be provided and the manner in which such activities are to be integrated with other appropriate activities;