Section 3190, Pub. L. 89–136, title V, 511, as added Pub. L. 91–123, title II, 206, Nov. 25, 1969, 83 Stat. 218; amended Pub. L. 93–423, 9(d), Sept. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1162, required coordination of activities between Secretary and Federal cochairmen in grants and loans.

#### SUBCHAPTER V—ADMINISTRATION

## §3191. Assistant Secretary for Economic Development

# (a) In general

The Secretary shall carry out this chapter through an Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

## (b) Compensation

The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development shall be compensated at the rate payable for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5.

# (c) Duties

The Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development shall carry out such duties as the Secretary shall require and shall serve as the administrator of the Economic Development Administration of the Department.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title V, §501, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3610.)

### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3191, Pub. L. 89–136, title V, \$512, as added Pub. L. 91–123, title II, \$206, Nov. 25, 1969, 83 Stat. 218; amended Pub. L. 92–65, title I, \$110, Aug. 5, 1971, 85 Stat. 167, related to Federal Field Committee for Development Planning in Alaska, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–35, title XVIII, \$1821(a)(8), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 766, effective Sept. 30, 1981.

A prior section 501 of Pub. L. 89–136 was classified to section 3181 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–35, 1821(a)(8).

## § 3192. Economic development information clearinghouse

In carrying out this chapter, the Secretary shall—

(1) maintain a central information clearinghouse on the Internet with—

(A) information on economic development, economic adjustment, disaster recovery, defense conversion, and trade adjustment programs and activities of the Federal Government:

(B) links to State economic development organizations; and

(C) links to other appropriate economic development resources;

(2) assist potential and actual applicants for economic development, economic adjustment, disaster recovery, defense conversion, and trade adjustment assistance under Federal and State laws in locating and applying for the assistance;

(3) assist areas described in section 3161(a) of this title and other areas by providing to interested persons, communities, industries, and businesses in the areas any technical information, market research, or other forms of assistance, information, or advice that would be useful in alleviating or preventing conditions of excessive unemployment or underemployment in the areas; and

(4) obtain appropriate information from other Federal agencies needed to carry out the duties under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 89–136, title V, §502, as added Pub. L. 105–393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3610; amended Pub. L. 108–373, title V, §501, Oct. 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1768.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3192, Pub. L. 89–136, title V, §513, as added Pub. L. 91–123, title II, §206, Nov. 25, 1969, 83 Stat. 219; amended Pub. L. 94–188, title II, §203, Dec. 31, 1975, 89 Stat. 1087, related to regional transportation systems, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–35, title XVIII, §1821(a)(8), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 766, effective Sept. 30, 1981.

A prior section 502 of Pub. L. 89–136 was classified to section 3182 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–35, 1821(a)(8).

#### Amendments

2004—Par. (1). Pub. L. 108–373, §501(1), added par. (1) and struck out former par. (1) which read as follows: "maintain a central information clearinghouse on matters relating to economic development, economic adjustment, disaster recovery, defense conversion, and trade adjustment programs and activities of the Federal and State governments, including political subdivisions of States;".

Par. (2). Pub. L. 108-373, §501(2), added par. (2) and struck out former par. (2) which read as follows: "assist potential and actual applicants for economic development, economic adjustment, disaster recovery, defense conversion, and trade adjustment assistance under Federal, State, and local laws in locating and applying for the assistance; and".

Par. (4). Pub. L. 108-373, §501(3), (4), added par. (4).

# §3193. Consultation with other persons and agencies

# (a) Consultation on problems relating to employment

The Secretary may consult with any persons, including representatives of labor, management, agriculture, and government, who can assist in addressing the problems of area and regional unemployment or underemployment.

#### (b) Consultation on administration of chapter

The Secretary may provide for such consultation with interested Federal agencies as the Secretary determines to be appropriate in the performance of the duties of the Secretary under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title V, §503, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3610.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3193, Pub. L. 89–136, title V, §514, as added Pub. L. 93–423, §11, Sept. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1162, provided for the acquisition and disposal of excess property from the Administrator of General Services by the Federal cochairman of each regional action planning commission, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94–519, §§6, 9, Oct. 17, 1976, 90 Stat. 2456, 2457, effective Oct. 17, 1977.

A prior section 503 of Pub. L. 89-136 was classified to section 3183 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-35, \$1821(a)(8).