

section, the Secretary may not impose any reporting requirements on participating Indian tribes or tribal organizations, not otherwise provided in this subchapter.

**(b) Contents**

The report under subsection (a) of this section shall—

(1) be compiled from information contained in funding agreements, annual audit reports, and data of the Secretary regarding the disposition of Federal funds; and

(2) identify—

(A) the relative costs and benefits of self-governance;

(B) with particularity, all funds that are specifically or functionally related to the provision by the Secretary of services and benefits to self-governance Indian tribes and their members;

(C) the funds transferred to each self-governance Indian tribe and the corresponding reduction in the Federal bureaucracy;

(D) the funding formula for individual tribal shares of all headquarters funds, together with the comments of affected Indian tribes or tribal organizations, developed under subsection (c) of this section; and

(E) amounts expended in the preceding fiscal year to carry out inherent Federal functions, including an identification of those functions by type and location;

(3) contain a description of the method or methods (or any revisions thereof) used to determine the individual tribal share of funds controlled by all components of the Indian Health Service (including funds assessed by any other Federal agency) for inclusion in self-governance compacts or funding agreements;

(4) before being submitted to Congress, be distributed to the Indian tribes for comment (with a comment period of no less than 30 days, beginning on the date of distribution); and

(5) include the separate views and comments of the Indian tribes or tribal organizations.

**(c) Report on fund distribution method**

Not later than 180 days after August 18, 2000, the Secretary shall, after consultation with Indian tribes, submit a written report to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate that describes the method or methods used to determine the individual tribal share of funds controlled by all components of the Indian Health Service (including funds assessed by any other Federal agency) for inclusion in self-governance compacts or funding agreements.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §514, as added Pub. L. 106-260, § 4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 728.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Part A of this subchapter, referred to in subsec. (a)(2), was in the original “title I”, meaning title I of Pub. L. 93-638, known as the Indian Self-Determination Act, which is classified principally to part A (§450f et seq.) of this subchapter. For complete classification of title I to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (a)(2), was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4,

1975, 88 Stat. 2203, known as the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, which is classified principally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Resources of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Natural Resources of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

**§ 458aaa-14. Disclaimers**

**(a) No funding reduction**

Nothing in this part shall be construed to limit or reduce in any way the funding for any program, project, or activity serving an Indian tribe under this or other applicable Federal law. Any Indian tribe that alleges that a compact or funding agreement is in violation of this section may apply the provisions of section 450m-1 of this title.

**(b) Federal trust and treaty responsibilities**

Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to diminish in any way the trust responsibility of the United States to Indian tribes and individual Indians that exists under treaties, Executive orders, or other laws and court decisions.

**(c) Obligations of the United States**

The Indian Health Service under this subchapter shall neither bill nor charge those Indians who may have the economic means to pay for services, nor require any Indian tribe to do so.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §515, as added Pub. L. 106-260, § 4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 729.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsecs. (b) and (c), was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, known as the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, which is classified principally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

**§ 458aaa-15. Application of other sections of this subchapter**

**(a) Mandatory application**

All provisions of sections 450c(b), 450d, 450e, 450f(c) and (d), 450i, 450j(k) and (l), 450j-1(a) through (k), and 450n of this title and section 314 of Public Law 101-512 (coverage under chapter 171 of title 28, commonly known as the “Federal Tort Claims Act”), to the extent not in conflict with this part, shall apply to compacts and funding agreements authorized by this part.

**(b) Discretionary application**

At the request of a participating Indian tribe, any other provision of part A of this subchapter, to the extent such provision is not in conflict with this part, shall be made a part of a funding agreement or compact entered into under this part. The Secretary is obligated to include such provision at the option of the participating Indian tribe or tribes. If such provision is incorporated it shall have the same force and effect as if it were set out in full in this part. In the event an Indian tribe requests such incorpora-

tion at the negotiation stage of a compact or funding agreement, such incorporation shall be deemed effective immediately and shall control the negotiation and resulting compact and funding agreement.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §516, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 729.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 314 of Pub. L. 101-512, referred to in subsec. (a), is section 314 of Pub. L. 101-512, as amended, which is set out as a note under section 450f of this title.

Part A of this subchapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "title I", meaning title I of Pub. L. 93-638, known as the Indian Self-Determination Act, which is classified principally to part A (§450f et seq.) of this subchapter. For complete classification of title I to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

### § 458aaa-16. Regulations

#### (a) In general

##### (1) Promulgation

Not later than 90 days after August 18, 2000, the Secretary shall initiate procedures under subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 5 to negotiate and promulgate such regulations as are necessary to carry out this part.

##### (2) Publication of proposed regulations

Proposed regulations to implement this part shall be published in the Federal Register by the Secretary no later than 1 year after August 18, 2000.

##### (3) Expiration of authority

The authority to promulgate regulations under paragraph (1) shall expire 21 months after August 18, 2000.

#### (b) Committee

##### (1) In general

A negotiated rulemaking committee established pursuant to section 565 of title 5 to carry out this section shall have as its members only Federal and tribal government representatives, a majority of whom shall be nominated by and be representatives of Indian tribes with funding agreements under this subchapter.

##### (2) Requirements

The committee shall confer with, and accommodate participation by, representatives of Indian tribes, inter-tribal consortia, tribal organizations, and individual tribal members.

#### (c) Adaptation of procedures

The Secretary shall adapt the negotiated rulemaking procedures to the unique context of self-governance and the government-to-government relationship between the United States and Indian tribes.

#### (d) Effect

The lack of promulgated regulations shall not limit the effect of this part.

#### (e) Effect of circulars, policies, manuals, guidelines, and rules

Unless expressly agreed to by the participating Indian tribe in the compact or funding agreement, the participating Indian tribe shall

not be subject to any agency circular, policy, manual, guidance, or rule adopted by the Indian Health Service, except for the eligibility provisions of section 450j(g) of this title and regulations promulgated under this section.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §517, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 730.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, known as the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, which is classified principally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

### § 458aaa-17. Appeals

In any appeal (including civil actions) involving decisions made by the Secretary under this part, the Secretary shall have the burden of proof of demonstrating by clear and convincing evidence—

(1) the validity of the grounds for the decision made; and

(2) that the decision is fully consistent with provisions and policies of this part.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §518, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 730.)

### § 458aaa-18. Authorization of appropriations

#### (a) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this part.

#### (b) Availability of appropriations

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the provision of funds under this subchapter shall be subject to the availability of appropriations and the Secretary is not required to reduce funding for programs, projects, or activities serving a tribe in order to make funds available to another tribe or tribal organization under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §519, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 731.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, known as the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, which is classified principally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

## PART F—TRANSFERRED

### CODIFICATION

This part was formerly comprised of title V of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-568, title XIII, §1302, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2936, which was redesignated title VIII by Pub. L. 111-211, title II, §231(d)(1), July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2278, and transferred to part H (§458ddd et seq.) of this subchapter. Title V of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 712, is classified to part E (§458aaa et seq.) of this subchapter.

### § 458bbb to 458bbb-2. Transferred

### CODIFICATION

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