

(Pub. L. 101-484, § 9, Oct. 31, 1990, 104 Stat. 1169.)

**§ 983h. Economic development plan**

**(a) Establishment; submittal to Congress**

The Secretary shall—

(1) enter into negotiations with the governing body of the Tribe to establish a plan for economic development for the Tribe;

(2) in accordance with this section, establish such a plan; and

(3) upon the approval of such plan by the governing body of the Tribe (and after consultation with the State and local officials pursuant to subsection (b) of this section), shall<sup>1</sup> submit such plan to the Congress by no later than the date that is 3 years after October 31, 1990.

**(b) Consultation with State and local officials**

(1) To ensure that legitimate State and local interests are not prejudiced by the economic development plan established under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall notify and consult with the appropriate officials of the State and all appropriate local governmental officials in the State with respect to the proposed economic development plan. The Secretary shall provide complete information on the proposed economic development plan to such officials, including the restrictions imposed on such plan by subsection (c) of this section.

(2) During any consultation by the Secretary under this subsection, the Secretary shall provide such information as the Secretary may possess and shall request comments and additional information on the extent of any State or local service to the Tribe.

**(c) Required provisions**

Any economic development plan established by the Secretary under subsection (a) of this section shall provide that—

(1) real property acquired by or for the Tribe located in Knox or Boyd Counties, Nebraska, shall be taken by the Secretary in the name of the United States in trust for the benefit of the Tribe;

(2) any real property taken in trust by the Secretary pursuant to such plan shall be subject to—

(A) all legal rights and interests in such land held by any person at the time of acquisition of such land by the Secretary, including any lien, mortgage, or previously levied and outstanding State or local tax, and

(B) foreclosure or sale in accordance with the laws of the State of Nebraska pursuant to the terms of any valid obligation in existence at the time of the acquisition of such land by the Secretary; and

(3) any real property transferred pursuant to such plan shall be exempt from Federal, State, and local taxation of any kind.

**(d) Statement regarding individuals consulted, and testimony or comments received by Secretary**

The Secretary shall append to the economic development plan submitted to the Congress

under subsection (a) of this section a detailed statement—

(1) naming each individual consulted in accordance with subsection (b) of this section;

(2) summarizing the testimony received by the Secretary pursuant to any such consultation; and

(3) including any written comments or reports submitted to the Secretary by any individual named in paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 101-484, § 10, Oct. 31, 1990, 104 Stat. 1169; Pub. L. 102-497, § 2, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 3255.)

AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 102-497 substituted “3 years” for “2 years”.

SUBCHAPTER XLVII—CHEROKEE NATION:  
DISTRIBUTION OF JUDGMENT FUND

**§ 991. Per capita payments to tribal members; closure of rolls; appropriations; accrued interest; deductions**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to distribute per capita to all persons whose names appear on the rolls of the Cherokee Nation, which rolls were closed and made final as of March 4, 1907, pursuant to the Act of April 26, 1906 (34 Stat. 137), and subsequent additions thereto, all funds which were appropriated by the Act of September 30, 1961 (75 Stat. 733), in satisfaction of a judgment that was obtained by the Cherokee Tribe in the Indian Claims Commission against the United States in docket numbered 173, together with the interest accrued thereon, except \$1,432,084.17 which by stipulation of the parties has been set aside for the payments of any offsets that are finally determined to be due the United States, and except the amount allowed for attorney fees and expenses.

(Pub. L. 87-775, § 1, Oct. 9, 1962, 76 Stat. 776.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of April 26, 1906, referred to in text, is act Apr. 26, 1906, ch. 1876, 34 Stat. 137, which is set out as a note under section 355 of this title.

Act of September 30, 1961, referred to in text, is act Sept. 30, 1961, Pub. L. 87-322, 75 Stat. 733. That portion of the act which appropriated the funds referred to was not classified to the Code.

The Indian Claims Commission, referred to in text, terminated Sept. 30, 1978. See Codification note set out under former section 70 et seq. of this title.

**§ 992. Payments to adults, heirs or legatees; shares under certain amounts to revert to tribe; protection of minors and persons under legal disability**

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, a share or proportional share payable to a living adult shall be paid directly to such adult; (b) a share payable to a deceased enrollee shall be distributed to his heirs or legatees upon the filing of proof of death and inheritance satisfactory to the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, whose findings and determinations upon such proof shall be final and conclusive: *Provided*, That proportional shares of deceased heirs amounting to \$10 or less shall not be distributed, and no inher-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The word “shall” probably should not appear.