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(i) initiate a negotiated rulemaking in accordance with this section by not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008 and any other Act to reauthorize this chapter; and

(ii) promulgate regulations pursuant to this section by not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008 and any other Act to reauthorize this chapter.

## (D) Review

Not less frequently than once every 7 years, the Secretary, in consultation with Indian tribes, shall review the regulations promulgated pursuant to this section in effect on the date on which the review is conducted.

### (c) Effective date

This section shall take effect on October 26, 1996.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title I, §106, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4029; Pub. L. 107-292, §6, Nov. 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 2054; Pub. L. 110-411, title I, §105, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4324.)

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), 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.

For the effective date of this chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1) and (b)(1), as Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4101 of this title.

The United States Housing Act of 1937, referred to in subsec. (a)(1), is act Sept. 1, 1937, ch. 896, as revised generally by Pub. L. 93-383, title II, §201(a), Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 653, which is classified generally to chapter 8 (§1437 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1437 of Title 42 and Tables.

The date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(B)(i), (C), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110–411, which was approved Oct. 14, 2008.

#### Amendments

2008—Subsec. (b)(2)(B)(i). Pub. L. 110–411, 105(1), substituted "Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008 and any other Act to reauthorize this chapter, the Secretary" for "The Secretary".

Subsec. (b)(2)(C), (D). Pub. L. 110-411, §105(2), added subpars. (C) and (D).

2002—Subsec. (b)(2)(A). Pub. L. 107-292 inserted ", including any regulations that may be required pursuant to amendments made to this chapter after October 26, 1996," after "required under this chapter".

#### §4117. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated for grants under this subchapter such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2013. This section shall take effect on October 26, 1996.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title I, §108, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4030; Pub. L. 107-292, §2(a), Nov. 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 2053; Pub. L. 110-411, title VII, §701(a), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4334.)

#### Amendments

2008—Pub. L. 110-411 substituted "2009 through 2013" for "1998 through 2007".

2002—Pub. L. 107–292 substituted ''1998 through 2007'' for ''1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001''.

# SUBCHAPTER II—AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTIVITIES

PART A-GENERAL BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

## §4131. National objectives and eligible families

## (a) Primary objective

The national objectives of this chapter are-

(1) to assist and promote affordable housing activities to develop, maintain, and operate affordable housing in safe and healthy environments on Indian reservations and in other Indian areas for occupancy by low-income Indian families;

(2) to ensure better access to private mortgage markets for Indian tribes and their members and to promote self-sufficiency of Indian tribes and their members;

(3) to coordinate activities to provide housing for Indian tribes and their members with Federal, State, and local activities to further economic and community development for Indian tribes and their members;

(4) to plan for and integrate infrastructure resources for Indian tribes with housing development for tribes; and

(5) to promote the development of private capital markets in Indian country and to allow such markets to operate and grow, thereby benefiting Indian communities.

## (b) Eligible families

## (1) In general

Except as provided under paragraphs (2) and (4), and except with respect to loan guarantees under the demonstration program under subchapter VI, assistance under eligible housing activities under this chapter shall be limited to low-income Indian families on Indian reservations and other Indian areas.

#### (2) Exception to low-income requirement

## (A) Exception to requirement

Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a recipient may provide housing or housing assistance through affordable housing activities for which a grant is provided under this chapter to any family that is not a low-income family, to the extent that the Secretary approves the activities due to a need for housing for those families that cannot reasonably be met without that assistance.

#### (B) Limits

The Secretary shall establish limits on the amount of assistance that may be provided under this chapter for activities for families who are not low-income families.

## (3) Essential families

Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a recipient may provide housing or housing assistance provided through affordable housing activities assisted with grant amounts under this chapter for a family on an Indian reservation or other Indian area if the recipient determines that the presence of the family on the Indian reservation or other Indian area is essential to the well-being of Indian families and the need for housing for the family cannot reasonably be met without such assistance.

## (4) Law enforcement officers

A recipient may provide housing or housing assistance provided through affordable housing activities assisted with grant amounts under this chapter for a law enforcement officer on an Indian reservation or other Indian area, if—

(A) the officer—

(i) is employed on a full-time basis by the Federal Government or a State, county, or other unit of local government, or lawfully recognized tribal government; and

(ii) in implementing such full-time employment, is sworn to uphold, and make arrests for, violations of Federal, State, county, or tribal law; and

(B) the recipient determines that the presence of the law enforcement officer on the Indian reservation or other Indian area may deter crime.

#### (5) Law enforcement officers

Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a recipient may provide housing or housing assistance provided through affordable housing activities assisted with grant amounts under this chapter to a law enforcement officer on the reservation or other Indian area, who is employed full-time by a Federal, State, county or tribal government, and in implementing such fulltime employment is sworn to uphold, and make arrests for violations of Federal, State, county or tribal law, if the recipient determines that the presence of the law enforcement officer on the Indian reservation or other Indian area may deter crime.

#### (6)<sup>1</sup> Preference for tribal members and other Indian families

The Indian housing plan for an Indian tribe may require preference, for housing or housing assistance provided through affordable housing activities assisted with grant amounts provided under this chapter on behalf of such tribe, to be given (to the extent practicable) to Indian families who are members of such tribe, or to other Indian families. In any case in which the applicable Indian housing plan for an Indian tribe provides for preference under this paragraph, the recipient for the tribe shall ensure that housing activities that are assisted with grant amounts under this chapter for such tribe are subject to such preference.

## (6)<sup>1</sup> Exemption

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.] and title VIII of the Civil

Rights Act of 1968 [42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.] shall not apply to actions by federally recognized tribes and the tribally designated housing entities of those tribes under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §201, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4031; Pub. L. 105-276, title V, §595(e)(7), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2657; Pub. L. 106-377, §1(a)(1) [title II, §210], Oct. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 1441, 1441A-26; Pub. L. 106-568, title X, §1003(e), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2926; Pub. L. 110-411, title II, §201, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4324.)

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, 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.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964, referred to in subsec. (b)(6), is Pub. L. 88-352, July 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 241, as amended. Title VI of the Act is classified generally to subchapter V (§2000d et seq.) of chapter 21 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2000a of Title 42 and Tables.

The Civil Rights Act of 1968, referred to in subsec. (b)(6), is Pub. L. 90-284, Apr. 11, 1968, 82 Stat. 73, as amended. Title VIII of the Act, known as the Fair Housing Act, is classified principally to subchapter I (§3601 et seq.) of chapter 45 of Title 42. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3601 of Title 42 and Tables.

#### Amendments

2008—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 110-411, §201(1), inserted "and except with respect to loan guarantees under the demonstration program under subchapter VI," after "paragraphs (2) and (4),". Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 110-411, §201(2), added subpar.

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 110-411, §201(2), added subpar. (A), designated second sentence as subpar. (B) and inserted heading, and struck out former first sentence which read as follows: "A recipient may provide assistance for homeownership activities under section 4132(2) of this title, model activities under section 4132(6) of this title, or loan guarantee activities under subchapter VI of this chapter to Indian families who are not low-income families, to the extent that the Secretary approves the activities pursuant to such section or subchapter because there is a need for housing for such families that cannot reasonably be met without such assistance."

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 110-411, §201(3), substituted "Essential" for "Non-Indian" in heading and "for a family" for "for a non-Indian family" in text.

Subsec. (b)(4)(A)(i). Pub. L. 110-411, §201(4), inserted "or other unit of local government," after "county,".

2000—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 106-568, \$1003(e)(1), substituted "paragraphs (2) and (4)" for "paragraph (2)".

Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 106-568, \$1003(e)(3), added par. (4). Former par. (4) redesignated (5).

Pub. L. 106-377, §1(a)(1) [title II, §210(2)], added par.
(4). Former par. (4) redesignated (5).
Subsec. (b)(5). Pub. L. 106-568, §1003(e)(2), redesignated

Subsec. (b)(5). Pub. L. 106-568, \$1003(e)(2), redesignated par. (4) as (5). Former par. (5) redesignated (6). Pub. L. 106-377, \$1(a)(1) [title II, \$210(1)], redesignated

par. (4) as (5). Former par. (5) redesignated (6). Subsec. (b)(6). Pub. L. 106-568, \$1003(e)(2), redesig-

nated par. (5), relating to preference for tribal members and other Indian families, as (6).

Pub. L. 106-377, 1(a)(1) [title II, 210(1)], redesignated par. (5), relating to exemption, as (6).

1998—Subsec. (b)(5). Pub. L. 105-276 substituted "federally recognized tribes and the tribally designated housing entities of those tribes" for "Indian tribes" and "chapter" for "subsection".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Two pars. (6) have been enacted.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as a note under section 4101 of this title.

## §4132. Eligible affordable housing activities

Affordable housing activities under this subchapter are activities, in accordance with the requirements of this subchapter, to develop, operate, maintain, or support affordable housing for rental or homeownership, or to provide housing services with respect to affordable housing, through the following activities:

## (1) Indian housing assistance

The provision of modernization or operating assistance for housing previously developed or operated pursuant to a contract between the Secretary and an Indian housing authority.

## (2) Development

The acquisition, new construction, reconstruction, or moderate or substantial rehabilitation of affordable housing, which may include real property acquisition, site improvement, development and rehabilitation of utilities, necessary infrastructure, and utility services, conversion, demolition, financing, administration and planning, improvement to achieve greater energy efficiency, mold remediation, and other related activities.

#### (3) Housing services

The provision of housing-related services for affordable housing, such as housing counseling in connection with rental or homeownership assistance, establishment and support of resident organizations and resident management corporations, energy auditing, activities related to the provision of self-sufficiency and other services, and other services related to assisting owners, tenants, contractors, and other entities, participating or seeking to participate in other housing activities assisted pursuant to this section.

#### (4) Housing management services

The provision of management services for affordable housing, including preparation of work specifications, loan processing, inspections, tenant selection, management of tenant-based rental assistance, the costs of operation and maintenance of units developed with funds provided under this chapter, and management of affordable housing projects.

## (5) Crime prevention and safety activities

The provision of safety, security, and law enforcement measures and activities appropriate to protect residents of affordable housing from crime.

#### (6) Model activities

Housing activities under model programs that are designed to carry out the purposes of this chapter and are specifically approved by the Secretary as appropriate for such purpose.

#### (7) Community development demonstration project

## (A) In general

Consistent with principles of Indian selfdetermination and the findings of this chapter, the Secretary shall conduct and submit to Congress a study of the feasibility of establishing a demonstration project in which Indian tribes, tribal organizations, or tribal consortia are authorized to expend amounts received pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2002 in order to design, implement, and operate community development demonstration projects.

### (B) Study

Not later than 1 year after November 13, 2002, the Secretary shall submit the study conducted under subparagraph (A) to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

# (8) Self-Determination Act demonstration project

## (A) In general

Consistent with the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), the Secretary shall conduct and submit to Congress a study of the feasibility of establishing a demonstration project in which Indian tribes and tribal organizations are authorized to receive assistance in a manner that maximizes tribal authority and decision-making in the design and implementation of Federal housing and related activity funding.

### (B) Study

Not later than 1 year after November 13, 2002, the Secretary shall submit the study conducted under subparagraph (A) to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

## (9) Reserve accounts

## (A) In general

Subject to subparagraph (B), the deposit of amounts, including grant amounts under section 4111 of this title, in a reserve account established for an Indian tribe only for the purpose of accumulating amounts for administration and planning relating to affordable housing activities under this section, in accordance with the Indian housing plan of the Indian tribe.

#### (B) Maximum amount

A reserve account established under subparagraph (A) shall consist of not more than an amount equal to  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the 5-year average of the annual amount used by a recipient for administration and planning under paragraph (2).

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §202, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4032; Pub. L. 107-292, §8, Nov. 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 2055; Pub. L. 109-58, title V, §506(b), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 779; Pub. L. 110-411, title II, §202, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4325.)

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in pars. (4), (6), and (7)(A), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 104–330,