

“the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico” for “Puerto Rico”.

Par. (8). Pub. L. 100-175, §182(b)(1)(B), added par. (8) defining “Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands”.

Pub. L. 100-175, §146(a), added par. (8) defining “assistive technology”.

Pub. L. 100-175, §136(a)(1), added par. (8) defining “disability”.

Par. (9). Pub. L. 100-175, §146(a), added par. (9) defining “information and referral”.

Pub. L. 100-175, §136(a)(1), added par. (9) defining “severe disability”.

1981—Par. (1). Pub. L. 97-115, §2(a)(2), substituted “Secretary of Health and Human Services” for “Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare”.

Par. (3). Pub. L. 97-115, §2(a)(3)(A), inserted reference to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Pars. (6), (7). Pub. L. 97-115, §2(a)(3)(B), (C), substituted “Except for the purposes of subchapter X of this chapter, the term” for “The term”.

1978—Par. (1). Pub. L. 95-478, §503(a)(1), inserted “, other than for purposes of subchapter IX of this chapter”.

Pars. (4) to (7). Pub. L. 95-478, §503(a)(2), redesignated second par. (4), which was enacted by Pub. L. 94-135, §104(b), as par. (5) and redesignated existing pars. (5) and (6) as (6) and (7), respectively.

1975—Par. (1). Pub. L. 94-135, §114(a), substituted a period for the semicolon.

Pars. (4) to (6). Pub. L. 94-135, §104(b), added pars. (4) to (6).

1969—Par. (3). Pub. L. 91-69 enlarged term “State” to include the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

1967—Par. (2). Pub. L. 90-42, §5(a)(1), inserted “, unless the context otherwise requires,” after “means”.

Par. (4). Pub. L. 90-42, §5(a)(2), enlarged term nonprofit institution or organization to include nonprofit agencies.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-244 effective Oct. 1, 1998, except as otherwise provided in Pub. L. 105-244, see section 3 of Pub. L. 105-244, set out as a note under section 1001 of Title 20, Education.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-175 effective Oct. 1, 1987, except not applicable with respect to any area plan submitted under section 3026(a) of this title or any State plan submitted under section 3027(a) of this title and approved for any fiscal year beginning before Nov. 29, 1987, see section 701(a), (b) of Pub. L. 100-175, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-478 effective at close of Sept. 30, 1978, see section 504 of Pub. L. 95-478, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

### § 3003. Congressional declaration of additional objectives

The Congress finds that millions of older citizens in this Nation are suffering unnecessary harm from the lack of adequate services. It is therefore the purpose of this Act, in support of the objectives of this chapter, to—

(1) make available comprehensive programs which include a full range of health, education, and supportive services to our older citizens who need them,

(2) give full and special consideration to older citizens with special needs in planning such programs, and, pending the availability of such programs for all older citizens, give priority to the elderly with the greatest economic and social need.

(3) provide comprehensive programs which will assure the coordinated delivery of a full range of essential services to our older citizens, and, where applicable, also furnish meaningful employment opportunities for many individuals, including older persons, young persons, and volunteers from the community, and

(4) insure that the planning and operation of such programs will be undertaken as a partnership of older citizens, community agencies, and State and local governments, with appropriate assistance from the Federal Government.

(Pub. L. 93-29, title I, §101, May 3, 1973, 87 Stat. 30; Pub. L. 97-115, §3(d), Dec. 29, 1981, 95 Stat. 1597.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, means Pub. L. 93-29, May 3, 1973, 87 Stat. 30, as amended, known as the Older Americans Comprehensive Services Amendments of 1973. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1973 Amendment note set out under section 3001 of this title and Tables.

#### CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of the Older Americans Act of 1965 which comprises this chapter.

#### AMENDMENTS

1981—Par. (1). Pub. L. 97-115 substituted “supportive services” for “social services”.

### SUBCHAPTER II—ADMINISTRATION ON AGING

## § 3011. Establishment of Administration on Aging

### (a) Function and operation

There is established in the Office of the Secretary an Administration on Aging which shall be headed by an Assistant Secretary for Aging. Except for subchapter IX of this chapter, the Administration shall be the agency for carrying out this chapter. There shall be a direct reporting relationship between the Assistant Secretary and the Secretary. In the performance of the functions of the Assistant Secretary, the Assistant Secretary shall be directly responsible to the Secretary. The Secretary shall not approve or require any delegation of the functions of the Assistant Secretary (including the functions of the Assistant Secretary carried out through regional offices) to any other officer not directly responsible to the Assistant Secretary.

### (b) Appointment of Assistant Secretary

The Assistant Secretary shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

### (c) Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian Programs; Director

(1) There is established in the Administration an Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian Programs.

(2) The Office shall be headed by a Director of the Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian Aging appointed by the Assistant Secretary.

(3) The Director of the Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian Aging shall—