

under this section but not appropriated may be appropriated for any succeeding fiscal year commencing prior to July 1, 1974.

(Pub. L. 89-117, title VII, §708, Aug. 10, 1965, 79 Stat. 493; Pub. L. 90-448, title VI, §605, Aug. 1, 1968, 82 Stat. 534; Pub. L. 91-152, title III, §305(b), (c), Dec. 24, 1969, 83 Stat. 391; Pub. L. 91-431, §3(a), (b), Oct. 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 886; Pub. L. 91-609, title III, §304, Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1780; Pub. L. 92-335, §3, July 1, 1972, 86 Stat. 405; Pub. L. 93-117, §8, Oct. 2, 1973, 87 Stat. 422.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 3102 and 3103 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), were omitted from the Code pursuant to section 5316 of this title which terminated the authority to make grants or loans under those sections after Jan. 1, 1975.

The Emergency Community Facilities Act of 1970, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 91-431, Oct. 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 886, which amended sections 3102 and 3108 of this title, and enacted a provision set out as a note under this section. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3101 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1973—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 93-117, §8(a), provided for neighborhood facility grant authorization of \$40,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1973.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93-117, §8(b), substituted “July 1, 1974” for “September 30, 1972”.

1972—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 92-335 substituted “September 30, 1972” for “July 1, 1972”.

1970—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 91-609, §304(a), authorized appropriation of \$50,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1971, for grants under section 3103 of this title.

Pub. L. 91-431, §3(a), authorized appropriations for grants under section 3102 of this title of not to exceed \$1,000,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1970.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 91-609, §304(b), substituted “July 1, 1972” for “July 1, 1971”.

Pub. L. 91-431, §3(b), substituted “July 1, 1972” for “July 1, 1971”.

1969—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 91-152, §305(c), authorized appropriations of not more than \$100,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1970.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 91-152, §305(b), substituted “July 1, 1971” for “July 1, 1970”.

1968—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 90-448, §605(b), authorized appropriations of not more than \$350,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1968, and not more than \$115,000,000 for fiscal year commencing July 1, 1969.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 90-448, §605(a), substituted “July 1, 1970” for “July 1, 1969”.

CONGRESSIONAL STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

Pub. L. 91-431, §2, Oct. 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 886, provided that:

“(a) The Congress finds that a large number of municipalities and other entities of local government throughout the Nation are unable to finance construction of vital and urgently needed public facilities because of the shortage of funds for long-term borrowing.

“(b) The Congress further finds that there is an immediate need for such facilities in order to provide basic safeguards for the health and well-being of the people of the United States, to check widespread pollution of irreplaceable water sources, and to provide an effective and practical method of combating rising unemployment.”

ADMINISTRATIVE PRIORITY FOR APPLICATIONS RELATING TO ACTIVITIES IN AREAS AFFECTED BY BASE CLOSINGS

State or unit of local government or agency thereof affected by reduction in level of expenditure or employment at Department of Defense installation located in

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§ 3121. Findings and declarations

(a) Findings

Congress finds that—

(1) there continue to be areas of the United States experiencing chronic high unemployment, underemployment, outmigration, and low per capita incomes, as well as areas facing sudden and severe economic dislocations because of structural economic changes, changing trade patterns, certain Federal actions (including environmental requirements that result in the removal of economic activities from a locality), and natural disasters;

(2) economic growth in the States, cities, and rural areas of the United States is produced by expanding economic opportunities, expanding free enterprise through trade, developing and strengthening public infrastructure, and creating a climate for job creation and business development;

(3) the goal of Federal economic development programs is to raise the standard of living for all citizens and increase the wealth and overall rate of growth of the economy by encouraging communities to develop a more competitive and diversified economic base by—

(A) creating an environment that promotes economic activity by improving and expanding public infrastructure;

(B) promoting job creation through increased innovation, productivity, and entrepreneurship; and

(C) empowering local and regional communities experiencing chronic high unemployment and low per capita income to develop private sector business and attract increased private sector capital investment;

(4) while economic development is an inherently local process, the Federal Government should work in partnership with public and private State, regional, tribal, and local organizations to maximize the impact of existing resources and enable regions, communities, and citizens to participate more fully in the American dream and national prosperity;

(5) in order to avoid duplication of effort and achieve meaningful, long-lasting results, Fed-

eral, State, tribal, and local economic development activities should have a clear focus, improved coordination, a comprehensive approach, and simplified and consistent requirements; and

(6) Federal economic development efforts will be more effective if the efforts are coordinated with, and build upon, the trade, workforce investment, transportation, and technology programs of the United States.

(b) Declarations

In order to promote a strong and growing economy throughout the United States, Congress declares that—

(1) assistance under this chapter should be made available to both rural- and urban-distressed communities;

(2) local communities should work in partnership with neighboring communities, the States, Indian tribes, and the Federal Government to increase the capacity of the local communities to develop and implement comprehensive economic development strategies to alleviate economic distress and enhance competitiveness in the global economy;

(3) whether suffering from long-term distress or a sudden dislocation, distressed communities should be encouraged to support entrepreneurship to take advantage of the development opportunities afforded by technological innovation and expanding newly opened global markets; and

(4) assistance under this chapter should be made available to promote the productive reuse of abandoned industrial facilities and the redevelopment of brownfields.

(Pub. L. 89-136, §2, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3598; amended Pub. L. 108-373, title I, §101, Oct. 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1757.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3121, Pub. L. 89-136, §2, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 552; Pub. L. 94-487, title I, §102, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2331, set forth congressional findings and statement of purpose of chapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-373 reenacted section catchline without change and amended text generally, substituting pars. (1) to (6) for former pars. (1) to (8) in subsec. (a) and pars. (1) to (4) for former pars. (1) to (3) in subsec. (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §105, Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3618, provided that: "This title [see Short Title of 1998 Amendment note set out below] and the amendments made by this title shall take effect on a date determined by the Secretary of Commerce, but not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Nov. 13, 1998]." [Effective Feb. 11, 1999, see 64 F.R. 9222.]

SHORT TITLE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-373, §1(a), Oct. 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1756, provided that: "This Act [enacting sections 3154 to 3154d, 3221, 3222, and 3234 of this title, amending this section and sections 3122, 3131, 3133, 3143 to 3147, 3149, 3151, 3161, 3162, 3174, 3192, 3196, 3212, 3213, 3219, and 3231 of this title, and repealing sections 3148, 3173, and 3195 of this title] may be cited as the 'Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2004'."