

1109; amended Pub. L. 110-234, title VI, § 6201(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1205; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VI, § 6201(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1967.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see Termination of Chapter note set out under section 950aaa of this title.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Rural Electrification Act of 1936, referred to in subsecs. (c)(2) and (h)(1), is act May 20, 1936, ch. 432, 49 Stat. 1363, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 31 (§ 901 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 901 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 950aaa-2, Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2333, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4017; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 235(b)(4)(A), (C), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3221, 3222, provided definitions for chapter, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 104-127.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (c)(1)(C). Pub. L. 110-246, § 6201(a), added subpar. (C).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

§ 950aaa-3. Administration

(a) Nonduplication

The Secretary shall ensure that facilities constructed using financial assistance provided under this chapter do not duplicate adequate established telemedicine services or distance learning services.

(b) Loan maturity

The maturities of cost of money loans shall be determined by the Secretary, based on the useful life of the facility being financed, except that the loan shall not be for a period of more than 10 years.

(c) Loan security and feasibility

The Secretary shall make a cost of money loan only if the Secretary determines that the security for the loan is reasonably adequate and that the loan will be repaid within the period of the loan.

(d) Encouraging consortia

The Secretary shall encourage the development of consortia to provide telemedicine services or distance learning services through telecommunications in rural areas served by a telecommunications provider.

(e) Coordination with other agencies

The Secretary shall coordinate, to the extent practicable, with other Federal and State agen-

cies with similar grant or loan programs to pool resources for funding meritorious proposals in rural areas.

(f) Informational efforts

The Secretary shall establish and implement procedures to carry out informational efforts to advise potential end users located in rural areas of each State about the program authorized by this chapter.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2334, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VII, § 704, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1111.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see Termination of Chapter note set out under section 950aaa of this title.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 950aaa-3, Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2334, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4019; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 235(b)(4)(B), (C), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3221, 3222, contained provisions relevant to telecommunications programs, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 104-127.

§ 950aaa-4. Regulations

Not later than 180 days after April 4, 1996, the Secretary shall issue regulations to carry out this chapter.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2335, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VII, § 704, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1112.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see Termination of Chapter note set out under section 950aaa of this title.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 950aaa-4, Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2335, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4021; Pub. L. 102-551, § 1(c), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4100; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 235(b)(4)(C), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3222, related to rural community access to advanced telecommunications, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 104-127.

ANALYSIS BY OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2385, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4051, provided that Office of Technology Assessment was to include, in study of effects of information age technology on rural America, analysis of feasibility of ensuring that rural citizens in their homes and schools had ability to acquire, by computer, information in a national library, and specified contents of such analysis, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-127, title VII, § 708, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1112.

§ 950aaa-5. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this chapter \$75,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2018.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2335A, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VII, § 704, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1112; amended Pub. L. 107-171, title VI, § 6203(a), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 421; Pub. L. 110-234, title VI, § 6201(b), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1206; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title VI, § 6201(b), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1967; Pub. L. 113-79, title VI, § 6201(a), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 856.)