

(A) the Secretary may not make a loan under this chapter to a borrower that has received debt forgiveness on a loan made or guaranteed under this chapter; and

(B) the Secretary may not guarantee a loan under this chapter to a borrower that has received—

(i) debt forgiveness after April 4, 1996, on a loan made or guaranteed under this chapter; or

(ii) received debt forgiveness on more than 3 occasions on or before April 4, 1996.

**(2) Exceptions**

**(A) In general**

The Secretary may make a direct or guaranteed farm operating loan for paying annual farm or ranch operating expenses of a borrower who—

(i) was restructured with a write-down under section 2001 of this title;

(ii) is current on payments under a confirmed reorganization plan under chapters<sup>1</sup> 11, 12, or 13 of title 11; or

(iii) received debt forgiveness on not more than 1 occasion resulting directly and primarily from a major disaster or emergency designated by the President on or after April 4, 1996, under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

**(B) Emergency loans**

The Secretary may make an emergency loan under section 1961 of this title to a borrower that—

(i) on or before April 4, 1996, received not more than 1 debt forgiveness on a loan made or guaranteed under this chapter; and

(ii) after April 4, 1996, has not received debt forgiveness on a loan made or guaranteed under this chapter.

**(c) No more than 1 debt forgiveness for borrower on direct loan**

The Secretary may not provide to a borrower debt forgiveness on a direct loan made under this chapter if the borrower has received debt forgiveness on another direct loan made under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 87-128, title III, § 373, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VI, § 648(b), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1104; amended Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, § 101(a) [title VIII, § 801], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681, 2681-37; Pub. L. 107-171, title V, § 5319, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 348.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of “this chapter”, referred to in text, see note set out under section 1921 of this title.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(A)(iii), is Pub. L. 93-288, May 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 143, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 68 (§ 5121 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 5121 of Title 42 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Subsec. (b)(2)(A)(iii). Pub. L. 107-171 added cl. (iii).

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “chapter”.

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-277 added subsec. (b) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (b). Text read as follows:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary may not make or guarantee a loan under this chapter to a borrower who received debt forgiveness on a loan made or guaranteed under this chapter.

“(2) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary may make a direct or guaranteed farm operating loan for paying annual farm or ranch operating expenses of a borrower who was restructured with a write-down under section 2001 of this title.”

**§ 2008i. Short form certification of farm program borrower compliance**

The Secretary shall develop and utilize a consolidated short form for farm program borrowers to use in certifying compliance with any applicable provision of law (including a regulation) that serves as an eligibility prerequisite for a loan made under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 87-128, title III, § 374, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VI, § 649, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1105.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of “this chapter”, referred to in text, see note set out under section 1921 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 90 days after Apr. 4, 1996, see section 663(b) of Pub. L. 104-127, set out as an Effective Date of 1996 Amendment note under section 1922 of this title.

**§ 2008j. Transferred**

Section, Pub. L. 87-128, title III, § 375, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title VII, § 759, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1132; amended Pub. L. 106-78, title VIII, § 816, Oct. 22, 1999, 113 Stat. 1182; Pub. L. 106-387, § 1(a) [title VII, § 756], Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1549, 1549A-43; Pub. L. 107-76, title VII, § 731, Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 736; Pub. L. 108-7, div. A, title VII, § 728, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 42; Pub. L. 108-199, div. A, title VII, § 726, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 35; Pub. L. 108-447, div. A, title VII, § 725, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2842; Pub. L. 110-234, title XI, § 11009(a), (b)(1), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1359; Pub. L. 110-246, § 4(a), title XI, § 11009(a), (b)(1), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2120, 2121; Pub. L. 113-79, title XII, § 12102(b)(1), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 979, was renumbered section 210 of act Aug. 14, 1946, ch. 966, by Pub. L. 113-79, title XII, § 12102(b)(2), (3), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 979, and transferred to section 1627b of this title.

**§ 2008k. Making and servicing of loans by personnel of State, county, or area committees**

The Secretary shall use personnel of a State, county or area committee established under section 590h(b)(5) of title 16 to make and service loans under this chapter to the extent the personnel have been trained to do so.

(Pub. L. 87-128, title III, § 376, as added Pub. L. 107-171, title V, § 5320, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 349.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of “this chapter”, referred to in text, see note set out under section 1921 of this title.

**§ 2008l. Eligibility of employees of State, county, or area committee for loans and loan guarantees**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall not prohibit an employee of a State, county or area committee estab-