

determination as to whether any of the properties affected by the project for which the application is made is eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

**(c) Regulations by Advisory Council on Historic Preservation providing for expeditious action**

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation shall prescribe regulations providing for expeditious action by the Council in making its comments under section 306108 of title 54 in the case of properties which are included on, or eligible for inclusion on, the National Register of Historic Places and which are affected by a project for which an application is made under section 5318 of this title.

(Pub. L. 93-383, title I, §121, as added Pub. L. 96-399, title I, §110(c), Oct. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1620; amended Pub. L. 97-35, title III, §308(b), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 396; Pub. L. 113-287, §5(k)(4), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3270.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5318 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), probably should be a reference to section 119 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93-383, title I, §119, as added Pub. L. 95-128, title I, §110(b), Oct. 12, 1977, 91 Stat. 1125, which is classified to section 5318 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 113-287, §5(k)(4)(A), amended subsec. (a) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “With respect to applications for assistance under section 5318 of this title, the Secretary of the Interior, after consulting with the Secretary, shall prescribe and implement regulations concerning projects funded under section 5318 of this title and their relationship with—

“(1) ‘An Act to establish a program for the preservation of additional historic properties throughout the Nation, and for other purposes’, approved October 14, 1966, as amended; and

“(2) ‘An Act to provide for the preservation of historical and archaeological data (including relics and specimens) which might otherwise be lost as a result of the construction of a dam’, approved June 27, 1960, as amended.”

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 113-287, §5(k)(4)(B), substituted “section 306108 of title 54” for “section 106 of the Act referred to in subsection (a)(1)”.

1981—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-35 substituted “subsection (c)(4)(B)” for “subsection (c)(7)(B)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-35 effective on effective date of regulations implementing such amendments, see section 308(c) of Pub. L. 97-35, set out as a note under section 5318 of this title.

**§ 5321. Suspension of requirements for disaster areas**

For funds designated under this chapter by a recipient to address the damage in an area for which the President has declared a disaster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act [42 U.S.C. 5170 et seq.], the Secretary may suspend all requirements for purposes of assistance under section 5306 of this title for that area, except for those related to public notice of funding availability, nondiscrimination, fair housing, labor standards, environmental standards, and re-

quirements that activities benefit persons of low- and moderate-income.

(Pub. L. 93-383, title I, §122, as added Pub. L. 103-233, title II, §234, Apr. 11, 1994, 108 Stat. 369.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this title”, meaning title I of Pub. L. 93-383, Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 633, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of title I to the Code, see Tables.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 93-288, May 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 143, as amended. Title IV of the Act is classified generally to subchapter IV (§5170 et seq.) of chapter 68 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5121 of this title and Tables.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable with respect to any amounts made available to carry out subchapter II (§12721 et seq.) of chapter 130 of this title after Apr. 11, 1994, and any amounts made available to carry out that subchapter before that date that remain uncommitted on that date, with Secretary to issue any regulations necessary to carry out this section not later than end of 45-day period beginning on that date, see section 209 of Pub. L. 103-233, set out as an Effective Date of 1994 Amendment note under section 5301 of this title.

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### § 5401. Findings and purposes

#### (a) Findings

Congress finds that—

(1) manufactured housing plays a vital role in meeting the housing needs of the Nation; and

(2) manufactured homes provide a significant resource for affordable homeownership and rental housing accessible to all Americans.

#### (b) Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

(1) to protect the quality, durability, safety, and affordability of manufactured homes;

(2) to facilitate the availability of affordable manufactured homes and to increase homeownership for all Americans;

(3) to provide for the establishment of practical, uniform, and, to the extent possible, performance-based Federal construction standards for manufactured homes;

(4) to encourage innovative and cost-effective construction techniques for manufactured homes;

(5) to protect residents of manufactured homes with respect to personal injuries and the amount of insurance costs and property damages in manufactured housing, consistent with the other purposes of this section;

(6) to establish a balanced consensus process for the development, revision, and interpretation of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes and related regulations for the enforcement of such standards;

(7) to ensure uniform and effective enforcement of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes; and

(8) to ensure that the public interest in, and need for, affordable manufactured housing is duly considered in all determinations relating to the Federal standards and their enforcement.

(Pub. L. 93-383, title VI, §602, Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 700; Pub. L. 96-399, title III, §308(c)(4), Oct. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1641; Pub. L. 97-35, title III, §339B(c), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 417; Pub. L. 106-569, title VI, §602, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2997.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-569 amended section catchline and text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “The Congress declares that the purposes of this chapter are to reduce the number of personal injuries and deaths and the amount of insurance costs and property damage resulting from manufactured home accidents and to improve the quality and durability of manufactured homes. Therefore, the Congress determines that it is necessary to establish Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes and to authorize manufactured home safety research and development.”

1980—Pub. L. 96-399 substituted “manufactured home” for “mobile home” wherever appearing.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-569, title VI, §612, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 3012, provided that: “The amendments made by this

title [see Short Title of 2000 Amendment note below] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 27, 2000], except that the amendments shall have no effect on any order or interpretative bulletin that is issued under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.) and published as a proposed rule pursuant to section 553 of title 5, United States Code, on or before that date of the enactment.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 93-383, title VI, §627, formerly §628, Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 714, renumbered §627, Pub. L. 106-569, title VI, §611(2), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 3012, provided that: “The provisions of this title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as a note under this section] shall take effect upon the expiration of 180 days following the date of enactment of this title [Aug. 22, 1974].”

#### SHORT TITLE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-569, title VI, §601(a), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2997, provided that: “This title [amending this section and sections 5402 to 5404, 5406, 5407, 5409, 5412 to 5415, 5419, 5422, and 5426 of this title, repealing section 5425 of this title, and enacting and amending provisions set out as notes under this section] may be cited as the ‘Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000.’”

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 93-383, title VI, §601, Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 700, as amended by Pub. L. 96-399, title III, §308(c)(5), Oct. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1641, provided that: “This title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as a note under this section] may be cited as the ‘National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974.’”

#### SAVINGS PROVISIONS

Pub. L. 106-569, title VI, §613, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 3012, provided that:

“(a) STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS.—The Federal manufactured home construction and safety standards (as such term is defined in section 603 of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 [42 U.S.C. 5402]) and all regulations pertaining thereto in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 27, 2000] shall apply until the effective date of a standard or regulation modifying or superseding the existing standard or regulation that is promulgated under subsection (a) or (b) of section 604 of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, as amended by this title [42 U.S.C. 5403(a), (b)].

“(b) CONTRACTS.—Any contract awarded pursuant to a Request for Proposal issued before the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 27, 2000] shall remain in effect until the earlier of—

- “(1) the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act; or
- “(2) the expiration of the contract term.”

### § 5402. Definitions

As used in this chapter, the term—

(1) “manufactured home construction” means all activities relating to the assembly and manufacture of a manufactured home including but not limited to those relating to durability, quality, and safety;

(2) “retailer” means any person engaged in the sale, leasing, or distribution of new manufactured homes primarily to persons who in good faith purchase or lease a manufactured home for purposes other than resale;

(3) “defect” includes any defect in the performance, construction, components, or material of a manufactured home that renders the