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## SUBCHAPTER I—NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

**§ 8101. Congressional findings and declaration of purpose**

(a) The Congress finds that—

(1) the neighborhood housing services demonstration of the Urban Reinvestment Task Force has proven its worth as a successful program to revitalize older urban neighborhoods by mobilizing public, private, and community resources at the neighborhood level; and

(2) the demand for neighborhood housing services programs in cities throughout the United States warrants the creation of a public corporation to institutionalize and expand the neighborhood housing services program and other programs of the present Urban Reinvestment Task Force.

(b) The purpose of this subchapter is to establish a public corporation which will continue the joint efforts of the Federal financial supervisory agencies and the Department of Housing and Urban Development to promote reinvestment in older neighborhoods by local financial institutions working cooperatively with community people and local government, and which will continue the nonbureaucratic approach of the Urban Reinvestment Task Force, relying largely on local initiative for the specific design of local programs.

(Pub. L. 95-557, title VI, § 602, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2115.)

## SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 95-557, title VI, § 601, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2115, provided that: "This title [enacting this subchapter] may be cited as the 'Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation Act'."

Pub. L. 95-557, title VII, § 701, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2119, which provided that such title, which was classified to subchapter II of this chapter, was to be cited as the "Neighborhood Self-Help Development Act of 1978", was repealed by Pub. L. 97-35, title III, § 313(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 398.

Pub. L. 95-557, title VIII, § 801, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2122, provided that: "This title [enacting subchapter III of this chapter] may be cited as the 'Livable Cities Act of 1978'."

**§ 8102. Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation****(a) Establishment**

There is established a Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation") which shall be a body corporate and shall possess the powers, and shall be subject to the direction and limitations specified herein.

**(b) Implementation and expansion of demonstration activities**

The corporation shall implement and expand the demonstration activities carried out by the Urban Reinvestment Task Force.

**(c) Principal office**

The corporation shall maintain its principal office in the District of Columbia or at such other place the corporation may from time to time prescribe.

**(d) Exemption from taxation**

The corporation, including its franchise, activities, assets, and income, shall be exempt from all taxation now or hereafter imposed by the United States, by any territory, dependency, or possession thereof, or by any State, county, municipality, or local taxing authority, except that any real property of the corporation shall be subject to State, territorial, county, municipal, or local taxation to the same extent according to its value as other real property is taxed.

(Pub. L. 95-557, title VI, § 603, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2115; Pub. L. 96-399, title III, § 315(1), Oct. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 1645.)

## AMENDMENTS

1980—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 96-399 struck out "National" before "Neighborhood".

**§ 8103. Board of Directors****(a) Membership**

The corporation shall be under the direction of a board of directors made up of the following members:

(1) the Chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board to be designated by the Chairman;

(2) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development;

(3) the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, or a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to be designated by the Chairman;

(4) the Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the appointive member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation if so designated by the Chairman;

(5) the Comptroller of the Currency; and

(6) the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration or a member of the Board of the National Credit Union Administration to be designated by the Chairman.

**(b) Election of chairman**

The Board shall elect from among its members a chairman who shall serve for a term of two years, except that the Chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board shall serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the first such two-year term.

**(c) Terms of office**

Each director of the corporation shall serve ex officio during the period he holds the office to which he is appointed by the President.

**(d) Compensation and expenses**

The directors of the corporation, as full-time officers of the United States, shall serve without additional compensation but shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as directors of the corporation.

**(e) Bylaws, policies and administrative provisions**

The directors of the corporation shall adopt such bylaws, policies, and administrative provisions as are necessary to the functioning of the corporation and consistent with the provisions of this subchapter.

**(f) Director absences; designated representatives**

A director who is necessarily absent from a meeting of the board, or of a committee of the board, may participate in such meeting through a duly designated representative who is serving, pursuant to appointment by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, in the same department, agency, corporation, or instrumentality as the absent director, or in the case of the Comptroller of the Currency, through a duly designated Deputy Comptroller.

**(g) Quorum**

The presence of a majority of the board members, or their representatives as provided in subsection (f) of this section, shall constitute a quorum.

**(h) Application of other laws**

The corporation shall be subject to the provisions of section 552 of title 5.

**(i) Meetings of board**

All meetings of the board of directors will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 552b of title 5.

(Pub. L. 95-557, title VI, § 604, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2115; Pub. L. 97-320, title VII, § 710(a), Oct. 15, 1982, 96 Stat. 1544; Pub. L. 100-242, title V, § 520(a), Feb. 5, 1988, 101 Stat. 1938; Pub. L. 100-628, title X, § 1085, Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3278.)

## AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 100-242, § 520(a)(1), inserted “or a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board to be designated by the Chairman” before semicolon.

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 100-242, § 520(a)(2), added par. (3) and struck out former par. (3) which read as follows: “a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, to be designated by the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;”.

Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 100-242, § 520(a)(3), inserted “or the appointive member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation if so designated by the Chairman” before semicolon.

Subsec. (a)(6). Pub. L. 100-628 struck out second of the two periods at end.

Pub. L. 100-242, § 520(a)(4), substituted “Chairman” for “Administrator” and inserted “or a member of the Board of the National Credit Union Administration to be designated by the Chairman.” before period.

1982—Subsecs. (f) to (i). Pub. L. 97-320 added subsec. (f), redesignated former subsecs. (f) to (h) as (g) to (i), respectively, and in subsec. (g) inserted “, or their representatives as provided in subsection (f) of this section;”.

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Federal Home Loan Bank Board abolished and functions transferred, see sections 401 to 406 of Pub. L. 101-73, set out as a note under section 1437 of Title 12, Banks and Banking.

**§ 8104. Officers and employees****(a) Employment, compensation and benefits**

The board shall have power to select, employ, and fix the salary and benefits of such officers,

employees, attorneys, and agents as shall be necessary for the performance of its duties under this subchapter, without regard to the provisions of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service, classification, and General Schedule pay rates, except that no officer, employee, attorney, or agent of the corporation may be paid salary at a rate in excess of the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule, except that the board-appointed officers may be paid salary at a rate not to exceed level II of the Executive Schedule. The Corporation shall also apply the provisions of section 5307(a)(1), (b)(1) and (b)(2) of title 5 governing limitations on certain pay as if its employees were Federal employees receiving payments under title 5.

**(b) Appointment of executive director**

The directors of the corporation shall appoint an executive director who shall serve as chief executive officer of the corporation.

**(c) Appointment and removal of employees by executive director**

The executive director of the corporation, subject to approval by the board, may appoint and remove such employees of the corporation as he determines necessary to carry out the purposes of the corporation.

**(d) Prohibition of political tests and qualifications in selection, etc., of personnel**

No political test or political qualification shall be used in selecting, appointing, promoting, or taking any other personnel action with respect to any officer, agent, or employee of the corporation or of any recipient, or in selecting or monitoring any grantee, contractor, or person or entity receiving financial assistance under this subchapter.

**(e) Employee status; applicability of administrative and cost standards of Office of Management and Budget**

Officers and employees of the corporation shall not be considered officers or employees of the United States, and the corporation shall not be considered a department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government. The corporation shall be subject to administrative and cost standards issued by the Office of Management and Budget similar to standards applicable to non-profit grantees and educational institutions.

(Pub. L. 95-557, title VI, § 605, Oct. 31, 1978, 92 Stat. 2116; Pub. L. 108-199, div. G, title III, [(1), (2)], Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 413; Pub. L. 111-117, div. A, title III, Dec. 16, 2009, 123 Stat. 3108.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Levels II and IV of the Executive Schedule, referred to in subsec. (a), are set out in sections 5313 and 5315, respectively, of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

## AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-117 inserted “, except that the board-appointed officers may be paid salary at a rate not to exceed level II of the Executive Schedule” before period at end of first sentence.

2004—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-199, title III, [(2)], added second sentence.

Pub. L. 108-199, title III, [(1)], which directed the substitution of “salary” for “compensation”, was executed