# § 12809. Rehabilitation of State and local government in rem properties

## (a) In general

The Secretary shall make available a model program under which States and units of general local government may convert in rem properties to provide affordable permanent housing for the homeless by leasing such properties to nonprofit organizations and permitting such organizations to rehabilitate the properties.

## (b) Target

The program shall target vacant properties for rehabilitation by nonprofit organizations.

(Pub. L. 101-625, title II, §259, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4124.)

# §12810. Cost-saving building technologies and construction techniques

## (a) In general

The Secretary shall make available a model program to utilize cost-saving building technologies and construction techniques for purposes of providing homeownership and rental opportunities under this subchapter.

# (b) Selection criteria

The Secretary shall establish criteria for participating jurisdictions to select projects for assistance under the model program which may include—

(1) the extent to which innovative, cost-saving building and construction technologies are utilized;

(2) the extent to which innovative, cost-saving construction techniques are utilized;

(3) the extent to which units will be made available to low-income families and individuals;

(4) the extent to which non-Federal public or private assistance is utilized; and

(5) any other factor, determined by the Secretary to be appropriate.

#### (c) Guidelines

The Secretary shall publish guidelines for the model program under this section not later than 180 days after October 28, 1992.

## (d) Report

The Secretary shall submit a biennial report to the Congress on the utilization of the model program under this section.

(Pub. L. 101-625, title II, §260, as added Pub. L. 102-550, title II, §216, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3760.)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to unexpended funds allocated under subchapter II of this chapter in fiscal year 1992, except as otherwise specifically provided, see section 223 of Pub. L. 102-550, set out as an Effective Date of 1992 Amendment note under section 12704 of this title.

## PART E-OTHER ASSISTANCE

#### Amendments

2003—Pub. L. 108-186, title I, §102, Dec. 16, 2003, 117 Stat. 2686, amended heading generally. Prior to amendment, heading read "Mortgage Credit Enhancement".

## §12821. Omitted

#### CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 101–625, title II, §271, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4124; Pub. L. 108–186, title I, §102, Dec. 16, 2003,

117 Stat. 2686; Pub. L. 111-8, div. I, title II, §229(4), Mar. 11, 2009, 123 Stat. 978, which related to downpayment assistance toward the purchase of single family housing, was omitted from the Code upon the expiration of Secretary's authority on Dec. 31, 2011, to make grants to participating jurisdictions to assist low-income families to achieve homeownership.

# PART F-GENERAL PROVISIONS

# §12831. Equal opportunity

# (a) Solicitation of contracts

Each participating jurisdiction shall prescribe procedures acceptable to the Secretary to establish and oversee a minority outreach program within each such jurisdiction to ensure the inclusion, to the maximum extent possible, of minorities and women, and entities owned by minorities and women, including, without limitation, real estate firms, construction firms, appraisal firms, management firms, financial institutions, investment banking firms, underwriters, accountants, and providers of legal services, in all contracts, entered into by the participating jurisdiction with such persons or entities, public and private, in order to facilitate the activities of the participating jurisdiction to provide affordable housing authorized under this Act or any other Federal housing law applicable to such jurisdiction.

# (b) Report to Congress

Before the end of the 180-day period beginning on the date the first allocation of funds is made under section 12747 of this title, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report containing a description of the actions taken by each participating jurisdiction pursuant to subsection (a) and such recommendations for administrative and legislative action as the Secretary may determine to be appropriate to carry out the purposes of such subsection.

(Pub. L. 101-625, title II, §281, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4125.)

## References in Text

This Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 101-625, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4079, known as the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 12701 of this title and Tables.

## §12832. Nondiscrimination

No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this subchapter. Any prohibition against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 [42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.] or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in section 794 of title 29 shall also apply to any such program or activity. The Secretary may waive this section in connection with the use of funds made available under this subchapter on lands set aside under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920 (42 Stat. 108).

(Pub. L. 101-625, title II, §282, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4125; Pub. L. 104-204, title II, §213, Sept. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 2904.)