

surety bonding requirements that reflect the dollar amount of loans originated by a residential mortgage loan originator, or has established a recovery fund paid into by the loan originators.

**(e) Temporary extension of period**

The Director may extend, by not more than 24 months, the 1-year or 2-year period, as the case may be, referred to in subsection (a) for the licensing of loan originators in any State under a State licensing law that meets the requirements of sections 5104 and 5105 of this title and subsection (d) if the Director determines that such State is making a good faith effort to establish a State licensing law that meets such requirements, license mortgage originators under such law, and register such originators with the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry.

**(f) Regulation authority**

**(1) In general**

The Bureau is authorized to promulgate regulations setting minimum net worth or surety bond requirements for residential mortgage loan originators and minimum requirements for recovery funds paid into by loan originators.

**(2) Considerations**

In issuing regulations under paragraph (1), the Bureau shall take into account the need to provide originators adequate incentives to originate affordable and sustainable mortgage loans, as well as the need to ensure a competitive origination market that maximizes consumer access to affordable and sustainable mortgage loans.

(Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title V, §1508, July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2818; Pub. L. 111-203, title X, §1100(3), (6), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2106.)

AMENDMENTS

2010—Pub. L. 111-203, §1100(3), (6)(A), inserted section catchline, struck out former section catchline which read “Secretary of Housing and Urban Development backup authority to establish a loan originator licensing system”, and substituted “Director” for “Secretary” wherever appearing in text.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 111-203, §1100(6)(B), added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the designated transfer date, see section 1100H of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 552a of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 5108. Backup authority to establish a nationwide mortgage licensing and registry system**

If at any time the Director determines that the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry is failing to meet the requirements and purposes of this chapter for a comprehensive licensing, supervisory, and tracking system for loan originators, the Director shall establish and maintain such a system to carry out the purposes of this chapter and the effective registration and regulation of loan originators.

(Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title V, §1509, July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2819; Pub. L. 111-203, title X, §1100(3), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2106.)

AMENDMENTS

2010—Pub. L. 111-203 substituted “Director” for “Secretary” in two places.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-203 effective on the designated transfer date, see section 1100H of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as a note under section 552a of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 5109. Fees**

The Bureau, the Farm Credit Administration, and the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry may charge reasonable fees to cover the costs of maintaining and providing access to information from the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry, to the extent that such fees are not charged to consumers for access to such system and registry.

(Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title V, §1510, as added Pub. L. 111-203, title X, §1100(7), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2107.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 5109, Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title V, §1510, July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2819, which related to fees, was repealed by Pub. L. 111-203, title X, §1100(7), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 2107.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective on the designated transfer date, see section 1100H of Pub. L. 111-203, set out as an Effective Date of 2010 Amendment note under section 552a of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 5110. Background checks of loan originators**

**(a) Access to records**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in providing identification and processing functions, the Attorney General shall provide access to all criminal history information to the appropriate State officials responsible for regulating State-licensed loan originators and other financial service providers to the extent criminal history background checks are required under the laws of the State for the licensing of such loan originators or other financial service providers.

**(b) Agent**

For the purposes of this section and in order to reduce the points of contact which the Federal Bureau of Investigation may have to maintain for purposes of subsection (a), the Conference of State Bank Supervisors or a wholly owned subsidiary may be used as a channeling agent of the States for requesting and distributing information between the Department of Justice and the appropriate State agencies .

(Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title V, §1511, July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2819; Pub. L. 114-94, div. G, title LXXXVIII, §88002, Dec. 4, 2015, 129 Stat. 1799.)

AMENDMENTS

2015—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 114-94 inserted “and other financial service providers” after “State-licensed loan originators” and “or other financial service providers” before period at end.

**§ 5111. Confidentiality of information**

**(a) System confidentiality**

Except as otherwise provided in this section, any requirement under Federal or State law re-