

**§ 49a. Definitions**

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) the terms “chief elected official”, “institution of higher education”, “one-stop center”, “one-stop partner”, “training services”, “workforce development activity”, and “workplace learning advisor”, have the meaning given the terms in section 3102 of this title;

(2) the term “local workforce development board” means a local workforce development board established under section 3122 of this title;

(3) the term “one-stop delivery system” means a one-stop delivery system described in section 3151(e) of this title;

(4) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Labor;

(5) the term “State” means any of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands; and

(6) the term “employment service office” means a local office of a State agency; and

(7) except in section 49l-2 of this title, the term “State agency”, used without further description, means an agency designated or authorized under section 49c of this title.

(June 6, 1933, ch. 49, § 2, 48 Stat. 114; Pub. L. 97-300, title VI, § 601(a), formerly title V, § 501(a), Oct. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1392; renumbered title VI, § 601(a), Pub. L. 100-628, title VII, § 712(a)(1), (2), Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3248; Pub. L. 105-220, title III, § 301, Aug. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1080; Pub. L. 113-128, title III, § 302, July 22, 2014, 128 Stat. 1624.)

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning act June 6, 1933, ch. 49, 48 Stat. 113, known as the Wagner-Peyser Act, which was classified to this chapter and section 338 of former Title 39, The Postal Service. Section 338 of former title 39 was repealed and reenacted as section 4152 of former Title 39, The Postal Service, by Pub. L. 86-682, Sept. 2, 1960, 74 Stat. 578. Section 4152 of former title 39 was repealed and reenacted as section 3202 of Title 39, Postal Service, by Pub. L. 91-375, Aug. 12, 1970, 84 Stat. 719.

**AMENDMENTS**

2014—Par. (1). Pub. L. 113-128, § 302(1), added par. (1) and struck out former par. (1) which read as follows: “the term ‘chief elected official’ has the same meaning given that term under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998;”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 113-128, § 302(2), substituted “development board” for “investment board” in two places and substituted “section 3122 of this title” for “section 117 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998”.

Par. (3). Pub. L. 113-128, § 302(3), substituted “section 3151(e) of this title” for “section 134(c) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998”.

Pars. (6), (7). Pub. L. 113-128, § 302(4)–(6), added pars. (6) and (7).

1998—Par. (1). Pub. L. 105-220, § 301(1), struck out “or officials” after “elected official” and substituted “Workforce Investment Act of 1998” for “Job Training Partnership Act”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 105-220, § 301(2), (4), added par. (2) and struck out former par. (2) which read as follows: “the term ‘private industry council’ has the same meaning given that term under the Job Training Partnership Act;”.

Par. (3). Pub. L. 105-220, § 301(4), added par. (3). Former par. (3) redesignated (4).

Par. (4). Pub. L. 105-220, § 301(2), (3), (5), redesignated par. (3) as (4), substituted “Labor; and” for “Labor;”, and struck out former par. (4) which read as follows: “the term ‘service delivery area’ has the same meaning given that term under the Job Training Partnership Act; and”.

1982—Pub. L. 97-300 amended section generally, substituting provisions relating to definitions for provisions which authorized appointment of personnel and payment of office expenses.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2014 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 113-128 effective on the first day of the first full program year after July 22, 2014 (July 1, 2015), see section 506 of Pub. L. 113-128, set out as an Effective Date note under section 3101 of this title.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 105-220, title III, § 311, Aug. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1086, which provided that the amendments made by subtitle A (§§ 301-311) of title III of Pub. L. 105-220 (enacting section 49l-2 of this title and amending this section, sections 49b, 49c, 49d, 49e to 49g, 49j, and 49k of this title, and section 655a of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare) would take effect on July 1, 1999, was repealed by Pub. L. 113-128, title V, § 511(a), July 22, 2014, 128 Stat. 1705.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-300 effective Oct. 1, 1983, but with Secretary authorized to use funds appropriated for fiscal 1983 to plan for orderly implementation of amendment, see section 181(i) of Pub. L. 97-300, which was formerly classified to section 1591(i) of this title.

**DEFINITIONS OF TERMS IN PUB. L. 113-128**

Except as otherwise provided, definitions in section 3 of Pub. L. 113-128, which is classified to section 3102 of this title, apply to this section.

**§ 49b. Duties of Secretary****(a) Assistance to State public employment service offices**

The Secretary shall assist in coordinating the State public employment service offices throughout the country and in increasing their usefulness by developing and prescribing minimum standards of efficiency, assisting them in meeting problems peculiar to their localities, promoting uniformity in their administrative and statistical procedure, furnishing and publishing information as to opportunities for employment and other information of value in the operation of the system, and maintaining a system for clearing labor between the States.

**(b) Provision of unemployment compensation information**

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to assure that unemployment insurance and employment service offices in each State, as appropriate, upon request of a public agency administering or supervising the administration of a State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.], of a public agency charged with any duty or responsibility under any program or activity authorized or required under part D of title IV of such Act [42 U.S.C. 651 et seq.], or of a State agency charged with the administration of the supplemental nutrition assistance program in a State under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et