

1978—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 95-568 substituted “the decision of the Secretary” for “his decision”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-175 effective Oct. 1, 1987, see section 701(a) of Pub. L. 100-175, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

**§ 2991g. Records and audits**

(a) Each agency which receives financial assistance under this subchapter shall keep such records as the Commissioner may prescribe, including records which fully disclose the amount and disposition by that agency of such financial assistance, the total cost of the project in connection with which such financial assistance is given or used, the amount of that portion of the cost of the project supplied by other sources, and such other records as will facilitate an effective audit.

(b) The Commissioner and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of any agency which receives financial assistance under this subchapter that are pertinent to the financial assistance received under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 88-452, title VIII, § 809, formerly § 808, as added Pub. L. 93-644, § 11, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2325; renumbered § 809, Pub. L. 100-175, title V, § 502(3), Nov. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 973; amended Pub. L. 102-375, title VIII, § 822(9), Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1298.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 809 of Pub. L. 88-452 was renumbered section 810 and is classified to section 2991h of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 102-375 substituted “Commissioner” for “Secretary”.

**§ 2991h. Appeals, notice, and hearing**

(a) The Commissioner shall prescribe procedures to assure that—

(1) financial assistance under this subchapter shall not be suspended, except in emergency situations, unless the assisted agency has been given reasonable notice and opportunity to show cause why such action should not be taken; and

(2) financial assistance under this subchapter shall not be terminated, and application for refunding shall not be denied, and a suspension of financial assistance shall not be continued for longer than thirty days, unless the assisted agency has been afforded reasonable notice and opportunity for a full and fair hearing.

(b) If an application is rejected on the grounds that the applicant is ineligible or that activities proposed by the applicant are ineligible for funding, the applicant may appeal to the Secretary, not later than 30 days after the date of receipt of notification of such rejection, for a review of the grounds for such rejection. On appeal, if the Secretary finds that an applicant is eligible or that its proposed activities are eligible, such eli-

gibility shall not be effective until the next cycle of grant proposals are considered by the Administration.

(Pub. L. 88-452, title VIII, § 810, formerly § 809, as added Pub. L. 93-644, § 11, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2326; renumbered § 810, Pub. L. 100-175, title V, § 502(3), Nov. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 973; amended Pub. L. 102-375, title VIII, § 822(10), Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1298.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 810 of Pub. L. 88-452 was renumbered section 811 and is classified to section 2992 of this title.

Another prior section 810 of Pub. L. 88-452, title VIII, as added Pub. L. 90-222, title I, § 110, Dec. 23, 1967, 81 Stat. 722, related to authority to establish full-time programs and was classified to section 2992 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 93-113, title VI, § 603, Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 417.

AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-375 substituted “Commissioner” for “Secretary”, designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), and added subsec. (b).

**§ 2992. Evaluation of projects**

**(a) Description and measurement of project impact, effectiveness, and structure and mechanisms for delivery of services; frequency of evaluations**

(1) The Commissioner shall provide, directly or through grants or contracts, for the evaluation of projects assisted under this subchapter including evaluations that describe and measure the impact of such projects, their effectiveness in achieving stated goals, their impact on related programs, and their structure and mechanisms for delivery of services, including, where appropriate, comparisons with appropriate control groups composed of persons who have not participated in such projects. Evaluations shall be conducted by persons not directly involved in the administration of the program or project evaluated.

(2) The projects assisted under this subchapter shall be evaluated in accordance with this section not less frequently than at 3-year intervals.

**(b) General standards for evaluation**

Prior to obligating funds for the programs and projects covered by this subchapter with respect to fiscal year 1976, the Commissioner shall develop and publish general standards for evaluation of program and project effectiveness in achieving the objectives of this subchapter. The extent to which such standards have been met shall be considered in deciding whether to renew or supplement financial assistance authorized under this subchapter.

**(c) Independent evaluations**

In carrying out evaluations under this subchapter, the Commissioner may require agencies which receive assistance under this subchapter to provide for independent evaluations.

**(d) Specificity of views**

In carrying out evaluations under this subchapter, the Commissioner shall, whenever feasible, arrange to obtain the specific views of persons participating in and served by programs and projects assisted under this subchapter about such programs and projects.