

SUBCHAPTER IV—INDIAN BUSINESS  
GRANTS

**§ 1521. Indian Business Development Program; establishment; statement of purpose**

There is established within the Department of the Interior the Indian Business Development Program whose purpose is to stimulate and increase Indian entrepreneurship and employment by providing equity capital through nonreimbursable grants made by the Secretary of the Interior to Indians and Indian tribes to establish and expand profit-making Indian-owned economic enterprises on or near reservations.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title IV, §401, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 82.)

**§ 1522. Conditions**

**(a) Limitation of amount**

No grant in excess of \$100,000 in the case of an Indian and \$250,000 in the case of an Indian tribe, or such lower amount as the Secretary may determine to be appropriate, may be made under this subchapter.

**(b) Financing from other sources; inability to obtain funds; applicant's financial resources**

A grant may be made only to an applicant who, in the opinion of the Secretary, is unable to obtain adequate financing for its economic enterprise from other sources: *Provided*, That prior to making any grant under this subchapter, the Secretary shall assure that, where practical, the applicant has reasonably made available for the economic enterprise funds from the applicant's own financial resources.

**(c) Percentage requirement**

No grant may be made to an applicant who is unable to obtain at least 60 per centum of the necessary funds for the economic enterprise from other sources.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title IV, §402, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 98-449, §9, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1725.)

AMENDMENTS

1984—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 98-449 amended subsec. (a) generally, substituting provisions setting forth different levels of maximum grant amounts in cases of Indians and Indian tribes for provisions providing a maximum of \$50,000 in cases of both Indians and Indian tribes.

**§ 1523. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated not to exceed the sum of \$10,000,000 per year for fiscal year 1986 and each fiscal year thereafter for the purposes of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title IV, §403, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 95-68, July 20, 1977, 91 Stat. 272; Pub. L. 98-449, §10, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1726.)

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-449 amended section generally, substituting "\$10,000,000" for "\$14,000,000" and "1986 and each fiscal year thereafter" for "1978 and 1979".

1977—Pub. L. 95-68 substituted "\$14,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1978 and 1979" for "\$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1975, 1976, and 1977".

**§ 1524. Rules and regulations**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title IV, §404, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83.)

SUBCHAPTER V—MISCELLANEOUS  
PROVISIONS

**§ 1541. Competent management and technical assistance for economic enterprises**

Prior to and concurrent with the making or guaranteeing of any loan under subchapters I and II of this chapter and with the making of a grant under subchapter IV of this chapter, the purpose of which is to fund the development of an economic enterprise, the Secretary shall insure that the loan or grant applicant shall be provided competent management and technical assistance for preparation of the application and/or administration of funds granted consistent with the nature of the enterprise proposed to be or in fact funded.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title V, §501, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 98-449, §12, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1726.)

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-449 amended section generally, inserting "Prior to and" and "for preparation of the application and/or administration of funds granted".

**§ 1542. Agency cooperation; private contracts for management services and technical assistance**

For the purpose of providing the assistance required under section 1541 of this title, the Secretary is authorized to cooperate with the Small Business Administration and the Corporation for National and Community Service and other Federal agencies in the use of existing programs of this character in those agencies. In addition, the Secretary is authorized to enter into contracts with private organizations for providing such services and assistance.

(Pub. L. 93-262, title V, §502, Apr. 12, 1974, 88 Stat. 83; Pub. L. 93-113, title VI, §601(d), Oct. 1, 1973, 87 Stat. 416; Pub. L. 103-82, title IV, §405(f), Sept. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 921.)

AMENDMENTS

1993—Pub. L. 103-82 substituted "the Corporation for National and Community Service" for "ACTION Agency".

1973—Pub. L. 93-113 substituted "ACTION Agency" for "ACTION".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-82 effective Apr. 4, 1994, see section 406(b) of Pub. L. 103-82, set out as a note under section 8332 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 1543. Funds limitation for private contracts**

For the purpose of entering into contracts pursuant to section 1542 of this title in fiscal year 1985, the Secretary is authorized to use not to exceed 6 percent of any funds appropriated for