

by the tribe or organization by formal action. The tribe or organization shall notify the Secretary of the Interior in writing of any designations that are withdrawn.

(Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1323, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 803.)

§ 3324. Critical area service agreements

(a) Terms of agreements

A critical area service agreement shall be an agreement between an Indian student who receives or who shall receive federally funded higher education assistance and an Indian tribe or tribal organization providing such assistance in which the student agrees—

(1) to undertake a course of study at an eligible institution (as that term is defined in section 1085(a) of title 20) in an area of critical need, as determined under section 3323 of this title, and to pursue that course of study to its completion; and

(2)(A) to perform, for each academic year for which the student receives federally funded higher education assistance under a critical area service agreement, one calendar year of service to the tribe or organization in an occupation that is in a critical area designated by the tribe pursuant to section 3323(b)¹ of this title, commencing not later than 6 months after the student ceases to carry at an institution of higher education at least one-half the normal full-time academic workload as determined by the institution; or

(B) to repay such assistance to the Secretary, together with interest thereon at a rate prescribed by the Secretary by regulation, in monthly or quarterly installments over not more than 5 years.

(b) Service limitations and conditions

The tribe or tribal organization shall agree that a student performing services under a critical area service agreement—

(1) shall be provided compensation, benefits, and working conditions at the same level and to the same extent as any other employee working a similar length of time and doing the same type of work;

(2) may be treated as providing services to the tribe or organization if the student provides services for members of the tribe or organization that are approved by the tribe or organization and agreed to by the student even though such services are performed while the student is employed by a Federal, State, or local agency or instrumentality or by a nonprofit or for-profit private institution or organization; and

(3) may obtain the benefits of a waiver or suspension in accordance with the requirements of subsection (c).

(c) Waiver and suspension of service agreement

(1) Waiver

An Indian tribe or tribal organization may, by formal action, waive the service agreement of an Indian student for just cause, as determined in accordance with regulations pre-

scribed by the Secretary. The tribe or organization shall notify the Secretary in writing of any waiver granted under this subsection.

(2) Suspension

The obligation of a student to perform services under a critical area service agreement—

(A) shall be suspended for not more than 18 months if, at the request of the student, the tribe or organization determines that there are no employment opportunities available in any critical service area; and

(B) shall be suspended if the student ceases to attend an institution of higher education as a consequence of an institutional determination of unsatisfactory performance.

If, at the end of a period of suspension under subparagraph (A), there are still no employment opportunities available in any critical service area, the student's obligations under the agreement shall terminate. A suspension under subparagraph (B) shall be reviewed by the tribe or organization annually, but may be continued indefinitely.

(d) Pro rata reduction for partial services

The Secretary shall, by regulation, provide for the pro rata reduction of repayment obligations under subsection (a)(2) in the case of any student who partially completes the service obligation of that student under subsection (a)(2)(A).

(e) Certification of service

An Indian tribe or tribal organization receiving services under a critical area service agreement—

(1) shall establish procedures for monitoring and evaluating the provisions of this subchapter, and provide a copy of such procedures to the Secretary and to each individual providing services under a critical area service agreement;

(2) shall annually certify to the Secretary the identities of the individuals performing service under such agreements; and

(3) shall annually certify to the Secretary the amount of service performed, and the amount remaining to be performed, by each such individual under such agreements.

(Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1324, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 803.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3323(b) of this title, referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(A), was in the original a reference to "section 1322(b)", meaning section 1322(b) of Pub. L. 102-325, which has been translated as reading section 1323(b) of Pub. L. 102-325 to reflect the probable intent of Congress because section 1322 does not have a subsec. (b) and section 1323(b) relates to designation of critical areas by tribes.

§ 3325. General provisions

(a) Application of existing procedures

Except as provided in subsection (b), the requirements relating to student eligibility, needs analysis, and determination of eligibility for the program to be attended regularly incorporated by reference into contracts under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act [25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.] for tribal operation of

¹ See References in Text note below.

higher education grant programs prior to January 1, 1991, shall apply.

(b) Additional, excess, and incremental costs

The tribe or tribal organization may establish in writing, subject to the review of the Secretary, procedures for determining additional, excess, or inducement costs to be associated with grants for critical area service agreements. (Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1325, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 805.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, which is classified principally to chapter 46 (§5301 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5301 of this title and Tables.

SUBCHAPTER III—TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT STUDENT ASSISTANCE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

§§ 3331 to 3338. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-332, §6(b)(1), Oct. 31, 1998, 112 Stat. 3128

Section 3331, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1341, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 809, provided that subchapter could be cited as the “Tribal Development Student Assistance Act”.

Section 3332, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1342, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 809, declared congressional findings and purposes.

Section 3333, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1343, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 809, related to revolving fund.

Section 3334, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1344, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 810, related to eligible recipients.

Section 3335, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1345, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 810, related to terms of loans.

Section 3336, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1346, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 811, related to service fulfillment and conditions, repayments, and waivers.

Section, 3337, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1347, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 812, related to administration.

Section 3338, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1348, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 812, authorized appropriations.

SUBCHAPTER IV—AMERICAN INDIAN POST-SECONDARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP

§§ 3351 to 3355. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-332, §6(b)(1), Oct. 31, 1998, 112 Stat. 3128

Section 3351, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1361, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 813, related to American Indian Post-Secondary Economic Development Scholarship.

Section 3352, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1362, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 813, related to Indian scholarships.

Section 3353, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1363, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 813, related to scholarship conditions.

Section 3354, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1364, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 815, required annual reports by Indian tribes receiving grants.

Section 3355, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1365, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 815, authorized appropriations.

SUBCHAPTER V—AMERICAN INDIAN TEACHER TRAINING

§ 3371. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-332, §6(b)(1), Oct. 31, 1998, 112 Stat. 3128

Section, Pub. L. 102-325, title XIII, §1371, July 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 815; Pub. L. 105-244, title I, §102(a)(8)(D), Oct. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1619, related to American Indian teacher training.

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§ 3401. Statement of purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes and tribal organizations to integrate the employment, training and related services they provide from diverse Federal sources in order to improve the effectiveness of those services, reduce joblessness in Indian communities, and serve tribally determined goals consistent with the policy of self-determination, while reducing administrative, reporting, and accounting costs.

(Pub. L. 102-477, §2, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2302; Pub. L. 115-93, §3, Dec. 18, 2017, 131 Stat. 2026.)

AMENDMENTS

2017—Pub. L. 115-93 substituted “The purpose of this chapter is to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes and tribal organizations to” for “The purposes of this chapter are to demonstrate how Indian tribal governments can” and “, and serve tribally determined” for “and serve tribally-determined” and inserted “from diverse Federal sources” after “they provide” and “, while reducing administrative, reporting, and accounting costs” after “self-determination”.

SHORT TITLE OF 2017 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 115-93, §1, Dec. 18, 2017, 131 Stat. 2026, provided that: “This Act [amending this section and sections 3402 to 3407, 3409 to 3413, 3416, and 3417 of this title, repealing sections 3414 and 3415 of this title, and enacting and amending provisions set out as notes under this section] may be cited as the ‘Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act of 2017’.”

SHORT TITLE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-568, title XI, §1101, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2930, provided that: “This title [amending sections 3402, 3404, and 3406 of this title and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section] may be cited as the ‘Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act Amendments of 2000’.”

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 102-477, §1, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2302, as amended by Pub. L. 115-93, §2(a), Dec. 18, 2017, 131 Stat. 2026, provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the ‘Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Act of 1992’.”

EFFECT OF PUB. L. 115-93

Pub. L. 115-93, §17, Dec. 18, 2017, 131 Stat. 2037, provided that: “Nothing in this Act [see Short Title of 2017