tion 11821(b) of Pub. L. 101–508, set out as a note under section  $45\mathrm{K}$  of this title.

PER-UNIT RETAIN CERTIFICATES COVERED BY WRITTEN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN OCT. 14, 1965, AND NOV. 13, 1966: TRANSITION TREATMENT OF BY-LAW PROVISIONS

Pub. L. 89–809, title II, §211(f), Nov. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 1584, provided that a written agreement between a patron and a cooperative association which met certain qualifications and was entered into after Oct. 14, 1965 and before Nov. 13, 1966, and which was in effect on Nov. 13, 1966, was to be treated for purposes of subsec. (h) of this section as if entered into after Nov. 13, 1966.

#### Subchapter U—Designation and Treatment of Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities, and Rural Development Investment Areas

Part

Designation.

II. Tax-exempt facility bonds for empowerment zones and enterprise communities.

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zones.

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#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior subchapter U consisted of sections 1391 to 1397, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 99-514, title XIII, §1303(a), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2658.

#### AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-34, title II, §226(b)(1), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 824, added items for parts IV and V and struck out former item for part IV "Regulations".

# PART I—DESIGNATION

Sec.

1391. Designation procedure. 1392. Eligibility criteria.

1393. Definitions and special rules.

# § 1391. Designation procedure

#### (a) In general

From among the areas nominated for designation under this section, the appropriate Secretaries may designate empowerment zones and enterprise communities.

# (b) Number of designations

### (1) Enterprise communities

The appropriate Secretaries may designate in the aggregate 95 nominated areas as enterprise communities under this section, subject to the availability of eligible nominated areas. Of that number, not more than 65 may be designated in urban areas and not more than 30 may be designated in rural areas.

#### (2) Empowerment zones

The appropriate Secretaries may designate in the aggregate 11 nominated areas as empowerment zones under this section, subject to the availability of eligible nominated areas. Of that number, not more than 8 may be designated in urban areas and not more than 3 may be designated in rural areas. If 8 empowerment zones are designated in urban areas, no less than 1 shall be designated in an urban area the most populous city of which has a population of 500,000 or less and no less than 1 shall be a nominated area which in-

cludes areas in 2 States and which has a population of 50,000 or less. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall designate empowerment zones located in urban areas in such a manner that the aggregate population of all such zones does not exceed 1,000,000.

## (c) Period designations may be made

A designation may be made under subsection (a) only after 1993 and before 1996.

# (d) Period for which designation is in effect

#### (1) In general

Any designation under this section shall remain in effect during the period beginning on the date of the designation and ending on the earliest of—

- (A)(i) in the case of an empowerment zone, December 31, 2017, or
- (ii) in the case of an enterprise community, the close of the 10th calendar year beginning on or after such date of designation,
- (B) the termination date designated by the State and local governments as provided for in their nomination, or
- (C) the date the appropriate Secretary revokes the designation.

# (2) Revocation of designation

The appropriate Secretary may revoke the designation under this section of an area if such Secretary determines that the local government or the State in which it is located—

- (A) has modified the boundaries of the area, or
- (B) is not complying substantially with, or fails to make progress in achieving the benchmarks set forth in, the strategic plan under subsection (f)(2).

# (e) Limitations on designations

No area may be designated under this section

- (1) the area is nominated by 1 or more local governments and the State or States in which it is located for designation under this section,
- (2) such State or States and the local governments have the authority—
  - (A) to nominate the area for designation under this section, and
  - (B) to provide the assurances described in paragraph (3),
- (3) such State or States and the local governments provide written assurances satisfactory to the appropriate Secretary that the strategic plan described in the application under subsection (f)(2) for such area will be implemented,
- (4) the appropriate Secretary determines that any information furnished is reasonably accurate, and
- (5) such State or States and local governments certify that no portion of the area nominated is already included in an empowerment zone or in an enterprise community or in an area otherwise nominated to be designated under this section.

#### (f) Application

No area may be designated under this section unless the application for such designation—

(1) demonstrates that the nominated area satisfies the eligibility criteria described in section 1392.