

employees of the United States Government, shall not be considered to be Federal employees while performing such service, except for purposes of injury compensation or tort claims liability as provided in chapter 81 of title 5 and chapter 171 of title 28.

**(b) Compensation**

**(1) In general**

Except as provided in paragraph (2), an individual appointed under this chapter shall receive no compensation for the individual's service as a representative, alternate representative, scientific expert, or advisory panel member under this chapter.

**(2) Scientific review group**

Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the Secretary may employ and fix the compensation of an individual appointed under section 7003(a) of this title to serve as a scientific expert on the scientific review group who is not employed by the United States Government, a State government, or an Indian tribal government in accordance with section 3109 of title 5.

**(c) Travel expenses**

Except as provided in subsection (d), the Secretary shall pay the necessary travel expenses of individuals appointed under this chapter in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulations and sections 5701, 5702, 5704 through 5708, and 5731 of title 5.

**(d) Joint appointees**

With respect to the 2 independent members of the scientific review group and the 2 public advisors to the scientific review group jointly appointed under section 7003(c) of this title, and the 1 independent member to the joint technical committee jointly appointed under section 7004(b) of this title, the Secretary may pay up to 50 percent of—

- (1) any compensation paid to such individuals; and
- (2) the necessary travel expenses of such individuals.

(Pub. L. 109-479, title VI, § 609, Jan. 12, 2007, 120 Stat. 3647; Pub. L. 111-348, title III, § 302(b), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3672.)

AMENDMENTS

2011—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-348 amended subsec. (a) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “Individuals appointed under section 7002, 7003, 7004, or 7005 of this title who are serving as such Commissioners, other than officers or employees of the United States Government, shall be considered to be Federal employees while performing such service, only for purposes of—

- “(1) injury compensation under chapter 81 of title 5;
- “(2) requirements concerning ethics, conflicts of interest, and corruption as provided under title 18; and
- “(3) any other criminal or civil statute or regulation governing the conduct of Federal employees.”

**§ 7009. Enforcement**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may—

- (1) administer and enforce this chapter and any regulations issued under this chapter;
- (2) request and utilize on a reimbursed or non-reimbursed basis the assistance, services,

personnel, equipment, and facilities of other Federal departments and agencies in the administration and enforcement of this chapter; and

(3) collect, utilize, and disclose such information as may be necessary to implement the Agreement and this chapter, subject to sections 552 and 552a of title 5.

**(b) Prohibited acts**

It is unlawful for any person to violate any provision of this chapter or the regulations promulgated under this chapter.

**(c) Actions by the Secretary**

The Secretary shall prevent any person from violating this chapter in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1857) were incorporated into and made a part of this chapter. Any person that violates any provision of this chapter is subject to the penalties and entitled to the privileges and immunities provided in the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act [16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.] in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, power, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of that Act were incorporated into and made a part of this chapter.

**(d) Penalties**

This chapter shall be enforced by the Secretary as if a violation of this chapter or of any regulation promulgated by the Secretary under this chapter were a violation of section 307 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1857).

(Pub. L. 109-479, title VI, § 610, Jan. 12, 2007, 120 Stat. 3648.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, referred to in subsec. (c), is Pub. L. 94-265, Apr. 13, 1976, 90 Stat. 331, which is classified principally to chapter 38 (§ 1801 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1801 of this title and Tables.

**§ 7010. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as may be necessary to carry out the obligations of the United States under the Agreement and this chapter.

(Pub. L. 109-479, title VI, § 611, Jan. 12, 2007, 120 Stat. 3649.)

**CHAPTER 90—SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION**

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### § 7101. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

- (1) to stabilize and transition payments to counties to provide funding for schools and roads that supplements other available funds;  
(2) to make additional investments in, and create additional employment opportunities through, projects that—
- (A)(i) improve the maintenance of existing infrastructure;  
(ii) implement stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems; and  
(iii) restore and improve land health and water quality;  
(B) enjoy broad-based support; and  
(C) have objectives that may include—
- (i) road, trail, and infrastructure maintenance or obliteration;  
(ii) soil productivity improvement;  
(iii) improvements in forest ecosystem health;  
(iv) watershed restoration and maintenance;  
(v) the restoration, maintenance, and improvement of wildlife and fish habitat;  
(vi) the control of noxious and exotic weeds; and  
(vii) the reestablishment of native species; and
- (3) to improve cooperative relationships among—
- (A) the people that use and care for Federal land; and  
(B) the agencies that manage the Federal land.

(Pub. L. 106-393, §2, as added Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 106-393, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1607, known as the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2 of Pub. L. 106-393 was set out in a note under section 500 of this title prior to repeal by

Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893.

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 106-393, §1, as added by Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893, provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter, amending section 191 of Title 30, Mineral Lands and Mining, and section 6903 of Title 31, Money and Finance, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 181 and 191 of Title 30, and repealing provisions set out as notes under section 500 of this title and former section 1181f of Title 43, Public Lands] may be cited as the ‘Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.’”

### § 7102. Definitions

In this chapter:

#### (1) Adjusted share

The term “adjusted share” means the number equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—

- (A) the number equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—
- (i) the base share for the eligible county; by  
(ii) the income adjustment for the eligible county; by
- (B) the number equal to the sum of the quotients obtained under subparagraph (A) and paragraph (8)(A) for all eligible counties.

#### (2) Base share

The term “base share” means the number equal to the average of—

- (A) the quotient obtained by dividing—
- (i) the number of acres of Federal land described in paragraph (7)(A) in each eligible county; by  
(ii) the total number acres<sup>1</sup> of Federal land in all eligible counties in all eligible States; and
- (B) the quotient obtained by dividing—
- (i) the amount equal to the average of the 3 highest 25-percent payments and safety net payments made to each eligible State for each eligible county during the eligibility period; by  
(ii) the amount equal to the sum of the amounts calculated under clause (i) and paragraph (9)(B)(i) for all eligible counties in all eligible States during the eligibility period.

#### (3) County payment

The term “county payment” means the payment for an eligible county calculated under section 7111(b) of this title.

#### (4) Eligible county

The term “eligible county” means any county that—

- (A) contains Federal land (as defined in paragraph (7)); and  
(B) elects to receive a share of the State payment or the county payment under section 7112(b) of this title.

#### (5) Eligibility period

The term “eligibility period” means fiscal year 1986 through fiscal year 1999.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be preceded by “of”.