

(1) the fair market value of the land has declined by at least 25 percent since such land was purchased by the borrower;

(2) the land has been held by the borrower for a period of at least 5 years; and

(3) the Secretary of the Interior finds that the borrower has insufficient income to both repay the loan or loans and provide normal tribal governmental services.

**(b) Fair market value**

**(1) Appraisal**

Current fair market value under subsection (a) of this section shall be determined through an appraisal by an independent qualified fee appraiser, selected by mutual agreement between the borrower and the Secretary of Agriculture.

**(2) Costs**

The cost of appraisals undertaken under paragraph (1) shall be paid by the borrower.

**(c) Appeals**

Decisions of the Secretary of Agriculture under this section shall be appealable in accordance with the provisions of section 333B<sup>1</sup> of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b).

**(d) Future applications**

A borrower that had a loan or loans reduced under this section shall not submit an application for another reduction on such loan or loans for a period of 5 years after the initial reduction.

(Pub. L. 91-229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101-82, title III, § 303, Aug. 14, 1989, 103 Stat. 583.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 333B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b), referred to in subsec. (c), probably means section 333B of Pub. L. 87-128, as added by Pub. L. 99-198, title XIII, § 1313(a), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1525, and amended, which related to appeals from adverse decisions under the Act, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 281(c), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3233, and enactment of a new section 333B of Pub. L. 87-128 by Pub. L. 110-234, title V, § 5301, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1147, and Pub. L. 110-246, title V, § 5301, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1908, which established a beginning farmers' pilot program.

CODIFICATION

Another section 6 of Pub. L. 91-229 was added by Pub. L. 101-624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837, and is classified to section 5143 of this title.

Section was formerly classified to section 493 of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

**§ 5143. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out sections 5136 to 5143 of this title \$8,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1991 through 1995.

(Pub. L. 91-229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837.)

CODIFICATION

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<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

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**§ 5144. Certification of rental proceeds**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any actual rental proceeds from the lease of land acquired under section 5136 of this title certified by the Secretary of the Interior shall be deemed—

(1) to constitute the rental value of that land; and

(2) to satisfy the requirement for appraisal of that land.

(Pub. L. 109-221, title II, § 203, May 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 341.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 494a of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

**CHAPTER 45A—OKLAHOMA INDIAN WELFARE**

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CODIFICATION

Chapter was formerly classified to subchapter VIII (§ 501 et seq.) of chapter 14 of this title prior to editorial reclassification as this chapter.

**§ 5201. Acquisition of agricultural and grazing lands for Indians; title to lands; tax exemption**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, to acquire by purchase, relinquishment, gift, exchange, or assignment, any interest in lands, water rights, or surface rights to lands, within or without existing Indian reservations, including trust or otherwise restricted lands now in Indian ownership: *Provided*, That such lands shall be agricultural and grazing lands of good character and quality in proportion to the respective needs of the particular Indian or Indians for whom such purchases are made. Title to all lands so acquired shall be taken in the name of the United States, in trust for the tribe, band, group, or individual Indian for whose benefit such land is so acquired, and while the title thereto is held by the United States said lands shall be free from any