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Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), renumbered section 1849 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(2)(B)(v), substituted “Department of Veterans Affairs” for “Veterans’ Administration”.

1989—Subsecs. (b) to (e). Pub. L. 101-237 substituted “Secretary” and “Secretary’s” for “Administrator” and “Administrator’s”, respectively, wherever appearing.

1986—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 99-576 substituted “There” for “Effective for fiscal year 1982 and fiscal years thereafter, there”.

§ 3750. Incorporation of other provisions by the Secretary

The Secretary may provide that the provisions of sections of other subchapters of this chapter that are not otherwise applicable to loans made or guaranteed under this subchapter shall be applicable to loans made or guaranteed under this subchapter. The Secretary shall exercise authority under the preceding sentence by regulations prescribed after publication in the Federal Register and a period of not less than thirty days for public comment.

(Added Pub. L. 97-72, title III, §302(a), Nov. 3, 1981, 95 Stat. 1059, §1850; amended Pub. L. 101-237, title III, §313(b)(1), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2077; renumbered §3750, Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 1850 of this title as this section.

1989—Pub. L. 101-237 substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator” in section catchline and wherever appearing in text.

§ 3751. Termination of program

The Secretary may not make commitments for financial assistance under this subchapter after September 30, 1986.

(Added Pub. L. 97-72, title III, §302(a), Nov. 3, 1981, 95 Stat. 1059, §1851; amended Pub. L. 101-237, title III, §313(b)(1), Dec. 18, 1989, 103 Stat. 2077; renumbered §3751, Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83 renumbered section 1851 of this title as this section.

1989—Pub. L. 101-237 substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator”.

SUBCHAPTER V—DIRECT HOUSING LOANS FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-233, title I, §103(f)(1), June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 400, substituted “DIRECT HOUSING LOANS

FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS” for “NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PILOT PROGRAM” in subchapter heading.

§ 3761. Direct housing loans to Native American veterans; program authority

(a) The Secretary shall make direct housing loans to Native American veterans. The purpose of such loans is to permit such veterans to purchase, construct, or improve dwellings on trust land. The Secretary shall make such loans in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter.

(b) The Secretary shall, to the extent practicable, make direct housing loans to Native American veterans who are located in a variety of geographic areas and in areas experiencing a variety of economic circumstances.

(Added Pub. L. 102-547, §8(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3636; amended Pub. L. 105-114, title II, §201(a), Nov. 21, 1997, 111 Stat. 2282; Pub. L. 107-103, title IV, §402(a), Dec. 27, 2001, 115 Stat. 993; Pub. L. 108-454, title IV, §407, Dec. 10, 2004, 118 Stat. 3617; Pub. L. 109-233, title I, §103(a), (f)(2), June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 399, 400.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-233, §103(f)(2), amended section catchline generally, substituting “Direct housing loans to Native American veterans; program authority” for “Pilot program”.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-233, §103(a)(1), struck out “establish and implement a pilot program under which the Secretary may” before “make direct housing loans” and substituted “shall make such loans” for “shall establish and implement the pilot program”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-233, §103(a)(2), substituted “The” for “In carrying out the pilot program under this subchapter, the”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-233, §103(a)(3), struck out subsec. (c) which read as follows: “No loans may be made under this subchapter after December 31, 2008.”

2004—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-454 substituted “December 31, 2008” for “December 31, 2005”.

2001—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 107-103 substituted “December 31, 2005” for “December 31, 2001”.

1997—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 105-114 substituted “December 31, 2001” for “September 30, 1997”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CONSULTATION WITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NATIVE-AMERICAN VETERANS

Pub. L. 102-547, §8(b), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3640, which required the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the views and recommendations, if any, of the Advisory Committee on Native-American Veterans in carrying out the direct housing loan pilot program, was repealed by Pub. L. 109-233, title I, §103(c)(2), June 15, 2006, 120 Stat. 400.

ANNUAL REPORTS ON PILOT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 102-547, §8(d), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3640, directed Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transmit report relating to implementation of Native American veterans direct housing loan pilot program established under this subchapter to Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of Senate and House of Representatives not later than Feb. 1 of each of years 1994 through 1998, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-110, title II, §201(b), Feb. 13, 1996, 110 Stat. 770.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOANS

Pub. L. 102-547, §8(e), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3640, provided that: “New direct loan obligations for Native

American veteran housing loans under subchapter V of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), may be incurred only to the extent that appropriations of budget authority to cover the anticipated cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 [2 U.S.C. 661a], for such loans are made in advance. There is authorized to be appropriated for such purpose \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1993, which amount shall remain available without fiscal year limitation."

§ 3762. Direct housing loans to Native American veterans; program administration

(a) The Secretary may make a direct housing loan to a Native American veteran under this subchapter if—

(1)(A) the Secretary has entered into a memorandum of understanding with respect to such loans with the tribal organization that has jurisdiction over the veteran; or

(B) the tribal organization that has jurisdiction over the veteran has entered into a memorandum of understanding with any department or agency of the United States with respect to direct housing loans to Native Americans that the Secretary determines substantially complies with the requirements of subsection (b); and

(2) the memorandum is in effect when the loan is made.

(b)(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary shall ensure that each memorandum of understanding that the Secretary enters into with a tribal organization shall provide for the following:

(A) That each Native American veteran who is under the jurisdiction of the tribal organization and to whom the Secretary makes a direct loan under this subchapter—

(i) holds, possesses, or purchases using the proceeds of the loan a meaningful interest in a lot or dwelling (or both) that is located on trust land; and

(ii) will purchase, construct, or improve (as the case may be) a dwelling on the lot using the proceeds of the loan.

(B) That each such Native American veteran will convey to the Secretary by an appropriate instrument the interest referred to in subparagraph (A) as security for a direct housing loan under this subchapter.

(C) That the tribal organization and each such Native American veteran will permit the Secretary to enter upon the trust land of that organization or veteran for the purposes of carrying out such actions as the Secretary determines are necessary—

(i) to evaluate the advisability of the loan; and

(ii) to monitor any purchase, construction, or improvements carried out using the proceeds of the loan.

(D) That the tribal organization has established standards and procedures that apply to the foreclosure of the interest conveyed by a Native American veteran pursuant to subparagraph (B), including—

(i) procedures for foreclosing the interest; and

(ii) procedures for the resale of the lot or the dwelling (or both) purchased, con-

structed, or improved using the proceeds of the loan.

(E) That the tribal organization agrees to such other terms and conditions with respect to the making of direct loans to Native American veterans under the jurisdiction of the tribal organization as the Secretary may require in order to ensure that loans under this subchapter are made in a responsible and prudent manner.

(2) The Secretary may not enter into a memorandum of understanding with a tribal organization under this subsection unless the Secretary determines that the memorandum provides for such standards and procedures as are necessary for the reasonable protection of the financial interests of the United States.

(c)(1) Loans made under this section shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Secretary, which rate may not exceed the appropriate rate authorized for guaranteed loans under section 3703(c)(1) or section 3712(f) of this title, and shall be subject to such requirements or limitations prescribed for loans guaranteed under this title as the Secretary may prescribe.

(2) Notwithstanding section 3704(a) of this title, the Secretary shall establish minimum requirements for planning, construction, improvement, and general acceptability relating to any direct loan made under this section.

(d)(1) The Secretary shall establish credit underwriting standards to be used in evaluating loans made under this subchapter. In establishing such standards, the Secretary shall take into account the purpose of this program to make available housing to Native American veterans living on trust lands.

(2) The Secretary shall determine the reasonable value of the interest in property that will serve as security for a loan made under this section and shall establish procedures for appraisals upon which the Secretary may base such determinations. The procedures shall incorporate generally the relevant requirements of section 3731 of this title, unless the Secretary determines that such requirements are impracticable to implement in a geographic area, on particular trust lands, or under circumstances specified by the Secretary.

(e) Loans made under this section shall be repaid in monthly installments.

(f) In connection with any loan under this section, the Secretary may make advances in cash to provide for repairs, alterations, and improvements and to meet incidental expenses of the loan transaction. The Secretary shall determine the amount of any expenses incident to the origination of loans made under this section, which expenses, or a reasonable flat allowance in lieu thereof, shall be paid by the veteran in addition to the loan closing costs.

(g) Without regard to any provision of this chapter (other than a provision of this section), the Secretary may—

(1) take any action that the Secretary determines to be necessary with respect to the custody, management, protection, and realization or sale of investments under this section;

(2) determine any necessary expenses and expenditures and the manner in which such ex-