

this section in order to provide oversight of grant funds.

**(i) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Secretary**

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Labor.

**(2) Short-time compensation program**

The term “short-time compensation program” has the meaning given such term in section 3306(v) of title 26.

**(3) State; State agency; State law**

The terms “State”, “State agency”, and “State law” have the meanings given those terms in section 205 of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note).

(Pub. L. 116–136, div. A, title II, §2110, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 331.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 205 of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, referred to in subsec. (i)(3), is section 205 of Pub. L. 91–373, which is set out in a note under section 3304 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

**§ 9029. Assistance and guidance in implementing programs**

**(a) In general**

In order to assist States in establishing, qualifying, and implementing short-time compensation programs (as defined in section 3306(v) of title 26), the Secretary of Labor (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”) shall—

(1) develop model legislative language, or disseminate existing model legislative language, which may be used by States in developing and enacting such programs, and periodically review and revise such model legislative language;

(2) provide technical assistance and guidance in developing, enacting, and implementing such programs; and

(3) establish reporting requirements for States, including reporting on—

(A) the number of estimated averted layoffs;

(B) the number of participating employers and workers; and

(C) such other items as the Secretary of Labor determines are appropriate.

**(b) Model language and guidance**

The model language and guidance developed under subsection (a) shall allow sufficient flexibility by States and participating employers while ensuring accountability and program integrity.

**(c) Consultation**

In developing the model legislative language and guidance under subsection (a), and in order to meet the requirements of subsection (b), the Secretary shall consult with employers, labor organizations, State workforce agencies, and

other program experts. Existing model legislative language that has been developed through such a consultative process shall be deemed to meet the consultation requirement of this subsection.

(Pub. L. 116–136, div. A, title II, §2111, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 333.)

**Editorial Notes**

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 2111 of Pub. L. 116–136. Subsec. (d) of section 2111 of Pub. L. 116–136 repealed provisions formerly set out as a note under section 3306 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

**§ 9030. Waiver of the 7-day waiting period for benefits under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act**

**(a) No waiting week**

With respect to any registration period beginning after March 27, 2020, and ending on or before September 6, 2021, subparagraphs (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) of section 2(a)(1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. 352(a)(1)) shall not apply.

**(b) Operating instructions and regulations**

The Railroad Retirement Board may prescribe any operating instructions or regulations necessary to carry out this section.

**(c) Funding**

Out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there are appropriated \$50,000,000 to cover the costs of additional benefits payable due to the application of subsection (a). Upon the exhaustion of the funds appropriated under this subsection, subsection (a) shall no longer apply with respect to any registration period beginning after the date of exhaustion of funds.

**(d) Definition of registration period**

For purposes of this section, the term “registration period” has the meaning given such term under section 1 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. 351).

(Pub. L. 116–136, div. A, title II, §2112, Mar. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 333; Pub. L. 116–260, div. N, title II, §234(a), Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 1958; Pub. L. 117–2, title II, §2903(a), Mar. 11, 2021, 135 Stat. 50.)

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AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 117–2 substituted “September 6, 2021” for “March 14, 2021”.

2020—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116–260 substituted “March 14, 2021” for “December 31, 2020”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 116–260, div. N, title II, §234(b), Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 1959, provided that: “The Railroad Retirement Board may prescribe any operating instructions or regulations necessary to carry out this section [amending this section and enacting provisions set out as a note under this section].”

CLARIFICATION ON AUTHORITY TO USE FUNDS

Pub. L. 117–2, title II, §2903(b), Mar. 11, 2021, 135 Stat. 50, provided that: “Funds appropriated under section