§ 75.158 Deadlines for State comments.
(a) The Secretary may establish a deadline date for receipt of State comments on applications.
(b) The State shall make its comments in a written statement signed by an appropriate State official.
(c) The appropriate State official shall submit comments to the Secretary by the deadline date for State comments. The procedures in §75.102 (b) and (d) (how to meet a deadline) of this part apply to this submission.

Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e–3 and 3474

§ 75.159 Effect of State comments or failure to comment.
(a) The Secretary considers those comments of the State that relate to:
(1) Any selection criterion that applies under the program; or
(2) Any other matter that affects the selection of projects for funding under the program.
(b) If the State fails to comment on an application on or before the deadline date for the appropriate program, the State waives its right to comment.
(c) If the applicant does not give the State an opportunity to comment, the Secretary does not select that project for a grant.

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Subpart D—How Grants Are Made

§ 75.200 How applications for new grants and cooperative agreements are selected for funding; standards for use of cooperative agreements.

(a) Direct grant programs. The Department administers two kinds of direct grant programs. A direct grant program is either a discretionary grant or a formula grant program.
(b) Discretionary grant programs. (1) A discretionary grant program is one that permits the Secretary to use discretionary judgment in selecting applications for funding.

Cross Reference: See §75.219 Exceptions to the procedures under §75.217.

(2) The Secretary uses selection criteria to evaluate the applications submitted for new grants under a discretionary grant program.
(3) To evaluate the applications for new grants under the program the Secretary may use:
(i) Selection criteria established under §75.209.
(ii) Selection criteria in program-specific regulations.
(iii) Selection criteria established under §75.210.
(iv) Any combination of criteria from paragraphs (b)(3)(i), (b)(3)(ii), and (b)(3)(iii) of this section.

(4) The Secretary may award a cooperative agreement instead of a grant if the Secretary determines that substantial involvement between the Department and the recipient is necessary to carry out a collaborative project.