

**(h) Existing delegation**

Any State operating pursuant to a delegation existing on August 13, 1996, may continue to operate under the terms and conditions of the delegation, except to the extent that a revision of the existing agreement is adopted pursuant to this section.

(Pub. L. 97-451, title II, §205, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2459; Pub. L. 104-185, §3(a), Aug. 13, 1996, 110 Stat. 1702.)

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## CODIFICATION

August 13, 1996, referred to in subsec. (d), was in the original “the date of enactment of this section”, which was translated as meaning the date of enactment of Pub. L. 104-185, which amended this section generally, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

August 13, 1996, referred to in subsec. (h), was in the original “the date of enactment of this Act”, which was translated as meaning the date of enactment of Pub. L. 104-185, which amended this section generally, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

## AMENDMENTS

1996—Pub. L. 104-185 amended section generally, substituting present provisions for provisions which stated in subsec. (a), authorization of Secretary to delegate to States except permission of Indian tribe required with respect to Indian lands; subsec. (b), prerequisites; subsec. (c), promulgation of regulations defining joint functions; subsec. (d), promulgation of standards and regulations with respect to delegation; subsec. (e), revocation; and subsec. (f), compensation to State for costs of delegation.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-185 applicable with respect to production of oil and gas after the first day of the month following Aug. 13, 1996, see section 11 of Pub. L. 104-185, set out as a note under section 1701 of this title.

## APPLICABILITY OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-185 not applicable to any privately owned minerals or with respect to Indian lands, see sections 9 and 10 of Pub. L. 104-185, set out as a note under section 1701 of this title.

**§ 1736. Shared civil penalties**

An amount equal to 50 per centum of any civil penalty collected by the Federal Government under this chapter resulting from activities conducted by a State or Indian tribe pursuant to a cooperative agreement under section 1732 of this title or a State under a delegation under section 1735 of this title, shall be payable to such State or tribe. Any payments under this section shall be reduced by an amount equal to any payments provided or due to such State or Indian tribe under the cooperative agreement or delegation, as applicable, during the fiscal year in which the civil penalty is received, up to the total amount provided or due for that fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 97-451, title II, §206, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2460; Pub. L. 113-76, div. G, title I, §121, Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 314.)

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## AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113-76 substituted “Any payments under this section shall be reduced by an amount equal to any payments provided or due to such State or Indian tribe under the cooperative agreement or delegation, as applicable, during the fiscal year in which the civil penalty is received, up to the total amount provided or due for that fiscal year.” for “Such amount shall be deducted from any compensation due such State or Indian tribe under section 1732 of this title or such State under section 1735 of this title.”

## SUBCHAPTER III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

**§ 1751. Secretarial authority****(a) Prescription of rules and regulations**

The Secretary shall prescribe such rules and regulations as he deems reasonably necessary to carry out this chapter.

**(b) Conformity with rulemaking provisions**

Rules and regulations issued to implement this chapter shall be issued in conformity with section 553 of title 5, notwithstanding section 553(a)(2) of that title.

**(c) Contracts with non-Federal Government inspectors, auditors, etc.; coordination of auditing and enforcement functions**

In addition to entering into cooperative agreements or delegation of authority authorized under this chapter, the Secretary may contract with such non-Federal Government inspectors, auditors, and other persons as he deems necessary to aid in carrying out his functions under this chapter and its implementation. With respect to his auditing and enforcement functions under this chapter, the Secretary shall coordinate such functions so as to avoid to the maximum extent practicable, subjecting lessees, operators, or other persons to audits or investigations of the same subject matter by more than one auditing or investigating entity at the same time.

(Pub. L. 97-451, title III, §301, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2460.)

**§ 1752. Reports**

The Secretary shall submit to the Congress an annual report on the implementation of this chapter. The information to be included in the report and the format of the report shall be developed by the Secretary after consulting with the Committees on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate. The Secretary shall also report on the progress of the Department in reconciling account balances.

(Pub. L. 97-451, title III, §302, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2461; Pub. L. 103-437, §11(a)(2), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4589; Pub. L. 105-362, title IX, §901(j)(1), Nov. 10, 1998, 112 Stat. 3290.)

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## AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-362 struck out subsec. (a) designation and struck out subsec. (b) which read as follows: “Commencing with fiscal year 1984, the Inspector General of the Department of the Interior shall conduct a