

Public Law 107-292
107th Congress

An Act

To reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996.

Nov. 13, 2002

[S. 1210]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2002”.

SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 1996.

(a) **BLOCK GRANTS.**—Section 108 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4117) is amended by striking “1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001” and inserting “1998 through 2007”.

(b) **FEDERAL GUARANTEES.**—Section 605 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4195) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001” and inserting “1997 through 2007”; and

(2) in subsection (b), by striking “1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001” and inserting “1997 through 2007”.

(c) **TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**—Section 703 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4212) is amended by striking “1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001” and inserting “1997 through 2007”.

(d) **INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND.**—Section 184(i) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a(i)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (5)(C), by striking “each fiscal year” and inserting “each of fiscal years 1997 through 2007”; and

(2) in paragraph (7), by striking “each fiscal year” and inserting “each of fiscal years 1997 through 2007”.

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

Section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(22) **HOUSING RELATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term ‘housing related community development’ means any tribally-owned and operated facility, business, activity, or infrastructure that—

“(i) is necessary to the direct construction of reservation housing; and

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“(ii) would help an Indian tribe or its tribally-designated housing authority reduce the cost of construction of Indian housing or otherwise promote the findings of this Act.

“(B) EXCLUSION.—The term ‘housing and community development’ does not include any activity conducted by any Indian tribe under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2710 et seq.).”.

SEC. 4. BLOCK GRANTS AND GRANT REQUIREMENTS.

Section 101(h) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4111(h)) is amended—

(1) in the heading, by inserting “AND PLANNING” after “ADMINISTRATIVE”; and

(2) by inserting after the word “Act” the first place that term appears, the following: “for comprehensive housing and community development planning activities and”.

SEC. 5. TREATMENT OF PROGRAM INCOME AND LABOR STANDARDS.

Section 104 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4114) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) by striking “A recipient” and inserting the following: “Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, a recipient”; and

(B) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) the recipient has agreed that it will utilize such income for housing related activities in accordance with this Act.”; and

(2) in subsection (a)(2)—

(A) in the heading, by inserting “RESTRICTED ACCESS OR” before the word “REDUCTION”;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or” at the end;

(C) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) whether the recipient has expended retained program income for housing-related activities.”.

SEC. 6. REGULATIONS.

Section 106(b)(2)(A) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4116(b)(2)(A)) is amended by inserting after “required under this Act” the following: “, including any regulations that may be required pursuant to amendments made to this Act after the date of enactment of this Act,”.

SEC. 7. FEDERAL GUARANTEES FOR FINANCING FOR TRIBAL HOUSING ACTIVITIES.

Section 601 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4191) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting after “section 202” the following: “and housing related community development activity as consistent with the purposes of this Act”;

(2) by striking subsection (b); and

(3) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (b) and (c), respectively.

SEC. 8. FEASIBILITY STUDIES TO IMPROVE THE DELIVERY OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE IN NATIVE COMMUNITIES.

Section 202 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4132) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(7) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with principles of Indian self-determination and the findings of this Act, the Secretary shall conduct and submit to Congress a study of the feasibility of establishing a demonstration project in which Indian tribes, tribal organizations, or tribal consortia are authorized to expend amounts received pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2002 in order to design, implement, and operate community development demonstration projects.

“(B) STUDY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2002, the Secretary shall submit the study conducted under subparagraph (A) to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

Deadline.

“(8) SELF-DETERMINATION ACT DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), the Secretary shall conduct and submit to Congress a study of the feasibility of establishing a demonstration project in which Indian tribes and tribal organizations are authorized to receive assistance in a manner that maximizes tribal authority and decision-making in the design and implementation of Federal housing and related activity funding.

“(B) STUDY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2002, the Secretary shall submit the study conducted under subparagraph (A) to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.”.

Deadline.

SEC. 9. BLACK MOLD INFESTATION STUDY.

- Deadline. Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall—
- Reports. (1) complete a study on the extent of black mold infestation of Native American housing in the United States; and
(2) submit to Congress a report that describes recommendations of the Secretary for means by which to address the infestation.

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