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SUBCHAPTER I—COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

§ 4701. Findings and purposes

(a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

(1) many of the Nation's urban, rural, and Native American communities face critical social and economic problems arising in part from the lack of economic growth, people living in poverty, and the lack of employment and other opportunities;

(2) the restoration and maintenance of the economies of these communities will require coordinated development strategies, intensive supportive services, and increased access to equity investments and loans for development activities, including investment in businesses, housing, commercial real estate, human development, and other activities that promote the long-term economic and social viability of the community; and

(3) community development financial institutions have proven their ability to identify and respond to community needs for equity investments, loans, and development services.

(b) Purpose

The purpose of this subchapter is to create a Community Development Financial Institutions Fund to promote economic revitalization and community development through investment in and assistance to community development financial institutions, including enhancing the liquidity of community development financial institutions.

(Pub. L. 103-325, title I, §102, Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2163.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle A of title I of Pub. L. 103-325, Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2163, which is classified principally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this subtitle to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 103-325, §1(a), Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2160, provided that: "This Act [see Tables for classification]

may be cited as the 'Riegle Community Development and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994'."

Pub. L. 103-325, title I, §101, Sept. 23, 1994, 108 Stat. 2163, provided that: "This subtitle [subtitle A (§§101-121) of title I of Pub. L. 103-325, enacting this subchapter and section 1772c-1 of this title, amending sections 1766 and 1834a of this title, section 5313 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, section 11 of Pub. L. 95-452 set out in the Appendix to Title 5, section 657 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and section 9101 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 11 of Pub. L. 95-452 set out in the Appendix to Title 5] may be cited as the 'Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994'."

§ 4702. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) Administrator

The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of the Fund appointed under section 4703(b) of this title.

(2) Appropriate Federal banking agency

The term "appropriate Federal banking agency" has the same meaning as in section 1813 of this title, and also includes the National Credit Union Administration Board with respect to insured credit unions.

(3) Affiliate

The term "affiliate" has the same meaning as in section 1841(k) of this title.

(4) Board

The term "Board" means the Community Development Advisory Board established under section 4703(d) of this title.

(5) Community development financial institution

(A) In general

The term "community development financial institution" means a person (other than an individual) that—

- (i) has a primary mission of promoting community development;
- (ii) serves an investment area or targeted population;
- (iii) provides development services in conjunction with equity investments or loans, directly or through a subsidiary or affiliate;
- (iv) maintains, through representation on its governing board or otherwise, accountability to residents of its investment area or targeted population; and
- (v) is not an agency or instrumentality of the United States, or of any State or political subdivision of a State.

(B) Conditions for qualification of holding companies

(i) Consolidated treatment

A depository institution holding company may qualify as a community development financial institution only if the holding company and the subsidiaries and affiliates of the holding company collectively satisfy the requirements of subparagraph (A).