

112 Stat. 2656, related to certification of compliance with subsidy layering requirements.

### § 4137. Lease requirements and tenant selection

#### (a) Leases

Except to the extent otherwise provided by or inconsistent with tribal law, in renting dwelling units in affordable housing assisted with grant amounts provided under this chapter, the owner or manager of the housing shall utilize leases that—

(1) do not contain unreasonable terms and conditions;

(2) require the owner or manager to maintain the housing in compliance with applicable housing codes and quality standards;

(3) require the owner or manager to give adequate written notice of termination of the lease, which shall be the period of time required under State, tribal, or local law;

(4) specify that, with respect to any notice of eviction or termination, notwithstanding any State, tribal, or local law, a resident shall be informed of the opportunity, prior to any hearing or trial, to examine any relevant documents, records, or regulations directly related to the eviction or termination;

(5) require that the owner or manager may not terminate the tenancy, during the term of the lease, except for serious or repeated violation of the terms or conditions of the lease, violation of applicable Federal, State, tribal, or local law, or for other good cause; and

(6) provide that the owner or manager may terminate the tenancy of a resident for any activity, engaged in by the resident, any member of the household of the resident, or any guest or other person under the control of the resident, that—

(A) threatens the health or safety of, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by, other residents or employees of the owner or manager of the housing;

(B) threatens the health or safety of, or right to peaceful enjoyment of their premises by, persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises; or

(C) is criminal activity (including drug-related criminal activity) on or off the premises.

#### (b) Tenant and homebuyer selection

The owner or manager of affordable rental housing assisted with grant amounts provided under this chapter shall adopt and utilize written tenant and homebuyer selection policies and criteria that—

(1) are consistent with the purpose of providing housing for low-income families;

(2) are reasonably related to program eligibility and the ability of the applicant to perform the obligations of the lease; and

(3) provide for—

(A) the selection of tenants and homebuyers from a written waiting list in accordance with the policies and goals set forth in the Indian housing plan for the tribe that is the grant beneficiary of such grant amounts; and

(B) the prompt notification in writing to any rejected applicant of that rejection and the grounds for that rejection.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §207, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4034; Pub. L. 105-276, title V, §595(b), (e)(9), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2656, 2658.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 104-330, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4016, known as the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title and Tables.

##### AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-276, §595(b)(1), (2), in heading substituted “Tenant and homebuyer selection” for “Tenant selection” and, in introductory provisions, inserted “and homebuyer” after “tenant”.

Subsec. (b)(3)(A). Pub. L. 105-276, §595(b)(3), inserted “and homebuyers” after “tenants”.

Subsec. (b)(3)(B). Pub. L. 105-276, §595(e)(9), substituted “to any rejected applicant of that rejection and the grounds for that rejection” for “of any rejected applicant of the grounds for any rejection”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as a note under section 4101 of this title.

### § 4138. Availability of records

#### (a) Provision of information

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, except as provided in subsection (b), the National Crime Information Center, police departments, and other law enforcement agencies shall, upon request, provide information to Indian tribes or tribally designated housing entities regarding the criminal conviction records of applicants for employment, and of adult applicants for, or tenants of, housing assisted with grant amounts provided to such tribe or entity under this chapter for purposes of applicant screening, lease enforcement, and eviction.

#### (b) Exception

A law enforcement agency described in subsection (a) shall provide information under this paragraph relating to any criminal conviction of a juvenile only to the extent that the release of such information is authorized under the law of the applicable State, tribe, or locality.

#### (c) Confidentiality

An Indian tribe or tribally designated housing entity receiving information under this section may use such information only for the purposes provided in this section and such information may not be disclosed to any person who is not an officer, employee, or authorized representative of the tribe or entity or the owner of housing assisted under this chapter, and who has a job-related need to have access to the information for the purposes under this section. For judicial eviction proceedings, disclosures may be made to the extent necessary. The Secretary shall, by regulation, establish procedures necessary to ensure that information provided under this section to any tribe or entity is used,

and confidentiality is maintained, as required under this section.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §208, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4035; Pub. L. 105-276, title V, §595(e)(10), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2658; Pub. L. 110-411, title II, §205, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4326.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (c), was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 104-330, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4016, known as the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title and Tables.

##### AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-411 inserted “applicants for employment, and of” after “records of”.

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-276, §595(e)(10)(A), substituted “subsection (b)” for “paragraph (2)”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-276, §595(e)(10)(B), substituted “subsection (a)” for “paragraph (1)”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as a note under section 4101 of this title.

#### § 4139. Noncompliance with affordable housing requirement

If a recipient uses grant amounts to provide affordable housing under this subchapter, and at any time during the useful life of the housing the recipient does not comply with the requirement under section 4135(a)(2) of this title, the Secretary shall take appropriate action under section 4161(a) of this title.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §209, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4035; Pub. L. 105-276, title V, §595(c), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2656; Pub. L. 106-568, title X, §1003(f)(1), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2927; Pub. L. 106-569, title V, §503(e)(1), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2962.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-568 and Pub. L. 106-569 generally amended section catchline and text identically. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “If a recipient uses grant amounts to provide affordable housing under activities under this subchapter and, at any time during the useful life of the housing the housing does not comply with the requirement under section 4135(a)(2) of this title, the Secretary shall reduce future grant payments on behalf of the grant beneficiary by an amount equal to the grant amounts used for such housing (under the authority under section 4161(a)(2) of this title) or require repayment to the Secretary of an amount equal to such grant amounts.”

1998—Pub. L. 105-276 made technical amendment to reference in original act which appears in text as reference to section 4135(a)(2) of this title.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as a note under section 4101 of this title.

#### § 4140. Continued use of amounts for affordable housing

Any funds for programs for low-income housing under the United States Housing Act of 1937 [42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.] that, on the date of the applicability of this chapter to an Indian tribe, are owned by, or in the possession or under the control of, the Indian housing authority for the tribe, including all reserves not otherwise obligated, shall be considered assistance under this chapter and subject to the provisions of this chapter relating to use of such assistance.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §210, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4036.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The United States Housing Act of 1937, referred to in text, is act Sept. 1, 1937, ch. 896, as revised generally by Pub. L. 93-383, title II, §201(a), Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 653, which is classified generally to chapter 8 (§1437 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1437 of Title 42 and Tables.

The date of the applicability of this chapter, referred to in text, probably means the effective date of Pub. L. 104-330, which is Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided. See section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as an Effective Date note under section 4101 of this title.

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 104-330, Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4016, known as the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title and Tables.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1997, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 107 of Pub. L. 104-330, set out as a note under section 4101 of this title.

#### PART B—SELF-DETERMINED HOUSING ACTIVITIES FOR TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

#### § 4145. Purpose

The purpose of this part is to establish a program for self-determined housing activities for the tribal communities to provide Indian tribes with the flexibility to use a portion of the grant amounts under section 4111 of this title for the Indian tribe in manners that are wholly self-determined by the Indian tribe for housing activities involving construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, or infrastructure relating to housing activities or housing that will benefit the community served by the Indian tribe.

(Pub. L. 104-330, title II, §231, as added Pub. L. 110-411, title II, §206(a)(2), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4326.)

#### § 4145a. Program authority

##### (a) Definition of qualifying Indian tribe

In this section, the term “qualifying Indian tribe” means, with respect to a fiscal year, an Indian tribe or tribally designated housing entity—