

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108-373, §103(1), substituted “multi-State regional organizations, and nonprofit organizations” for “and multi-State regional organizations” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 108-373, §103(2), struck out “adjoining” before “States” in two places.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Feb. 11, 1999, see section 105 of Pub. L. 105-393, set out as a note under section 3121 of this title.

§ 3132. Cooperation of Federal agencies

In accordance with applicable laws and subject to the availability of appropriations, each Federal agency shall exercise its powers, duties and functions, and shall cooperate with the Secretary, in such manner as will assist the Secretary in carrying out this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §102, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3601.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3132, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §102, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554; Pub. L. 93-423, §2, Sept. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1158; Pub. L. 94-487, title I, §104, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2331; Pub. L. 96-88, title V, §509(b), Oct. 17, 1979, 93 Stat. 695; Pub. L. 96-506, §1(1), Dec. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 2745, authorized grants for operation of health projects, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Feb. 11, 1999, see section 105 of Pub. L. 105-393, set out as a note under section 3121 of this title.

§ 3133. Coordination**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall coordinate activities relating to the preparation and implementation of comprehensive economic development strategies under this chapter with Federal agencies carrying out other Federal programs, States, economic development districts, Indian tribes, and other appropriate planning and development organizations.

(b) Meetings**(1) In general**

To carry out subsection (a), or for any other purpose relating to economic development activities, the Secretary may convene meetings with Federal agencies, State and local governments, economic development districts, Indian tribes, and other appropriate planning and development organizations.

(2) Regional commissions**(A) In general**

In addition to meetings described in paragraph (1), not later than 1 year after January 4, 2025, and not less frequently than every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary shall

convene a meeting with the Regional Commissions in furtherance of subsection (a).

(B) Attendees

The attendees for a meeting convened under this paragraph shall consist of—

- (i) the Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, serving as Chair;
- (ii) the Federal Cochairpersons of the Regional Commissions, or their designees; and
- (iii) the State Cochairpersons of the Regional Commissions, or their designees.

(C) Purpose

The purposes of a meeting convened under this paragraph shall include—

- (i) to enhance coordination between the Economic Development Administration and the Regional Commissions in carrying out economic development programs;
- (ii) to reduce duplication of efforts by the Economic Development Administration and the Regional Commissions in carrying out economic development programs;
- (iii) to develop best practices and strategies for fostering regional economic development; and
- (iv) any other purposes as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

(D) Report

Where applicable and pursuant to subparagraph (C), not later than 1 year after a meeting under this paragraph, the Secretary shall prepare and make publicly available a report detailing, at a minimum—

- (i) the planned actions by the Economic Development Administration and the Regional Commissions to enhance coordination or reduce duplication of efforts and a timeline for implementing those actions; and
- (ii) any best practices and strategies developed.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §103, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3601; amended Pub. L. 108-373, title I, §104, Oct. 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1759; Pub. L. 118-272, div. B, title II, §2212, Jan. 4, 2025, 138 Stat. 3178.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3133, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §103, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554, set limitation on funds which could be expended in any one State, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

A prior section 3134, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §104, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554, related to the ineligibility of Appalachian region projects for appropriations under this subchapter, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94-188, title I, §123, Dec. 31, 1975, 89 Stat. 1086.

Prior sections 3135 to 3137 were repealed by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

Section 3135, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §105, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554; Pub. L. 91-123, title III, §301(2), Nov. 25, 1969, 83 Stat. 219; Pub. L. 91-304, §1(a), July 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 375; Pub. L. 92-65, title I, §103, Aug. 5, 1971, 85 Stat. 166; Pub. L. 93-46, §1, June 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 96; Pub. L. 93-423, §1, Sept. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1158; Pub. L.

94-487, title I, §105, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2331; Pub. L. 96-506, §1(2), Dec. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 2745; Pub. L. 97-35, title XVIII, §1821(a)(1), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 766, authorized appropriations to carry out this subchapter from fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, to fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1982.

Section 3136, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §106, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554; 1966 Reorg. Plan No. 2, §1(h)(3), eff. May 10, 1966, 31 F.R. 6857, 80 Stat. 1608; 1970 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §2(a)(1), eff. Dec. 2, 1970, 35 F.R. 15623, 84 Stat. 2087, conditioned use of financial assistance for sewer or other waste disposal facilities upon certification by Administrator of Environmental Protection Agency.

Section 3137, Pub. L. 89-136, title I, §107, as added Pub. L. 94-487, title I, §106, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2332, authorized increase in amount of grant for construction cost increases after grant had been made.

AMENDMENTS

2025—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 118-272 added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b). Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “To carry out subsection (a), or for any other purpose relating to economic development activities, the Secretary may convene meetings with Federal agencies, State and local governments, economic development districts, Indian tribes, and other appropriate planning and development organizations.”

2004—Pub. L. 108-373 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, inserted “Indian tribes,” after “districts,” and added subsec. (b).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Feb. 11, 1999, see section 105 of Pub. L. 105-393, set out as a note under section 3121 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER II—GRANTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

§ 3141. Grants for public works and economic development

(a) In general

On the application of an eligible recipient, the Secretary may make grants for—

- (1) acquisition or development of land and improvements for use for a public works, public service, or development facility or for the improvement of waste management and recycling systems; and
- (2) acquisition, design and engineering, construction, rehabilitation, alteration, expansion, increasing the resilience¹ or improvement of such a facility, including related machinery and equipment.

(b) Criteria for grant

The Secretary may make a grant under this section only if the Secretary determines that—

- (1) the project for which the grant is applied for will, directly or indirectly—
 - (A) improve the opportunities, in the area where the project is or will be located, for the successful establishment, expansion, or retention,² of industrial or commercial plants or facilities;
 - (B) assist in the creation of additional long-term employment opportunities in the area; or
 - (C) primarily benefit the long-term unemployed and underemployed and members of low-income families;

(2) the project for which the grant is applied for will fulfill a pressing need of the area, or a part of the area, in which the project is or will be located; and

(3) the area for which the project is to be carried out has a comprehensive economic development strategy and the project is consistent with the strategy.

(c) Additional considerations

In awarding grants under subsection (a) and subject to the criteria in subsection (b), the Secretary may also consider the extent to which a project would—

- (1) lead to economic diversification in the area, or a part of the area, in which the project is or will be located;
- (2) address and mitigate economic impacts from extreme weather events, including development of resilient infrastructure, products, and processes;
- (3) benefit highly rural communities without adequate tax revenues to invest in long-term or costly infrastructure;
- (4) increase access to high-speed broadband;
- (5) support outdoor recreation to spur economic development, with a focus on rural communities;
- (6) promote job creation or retention relative to the population of the impacted region with outsized significance;
- (7) promote travel and tourism; or
- (8) promote blue economy activities.

(d) Maximum assistance for each State

Not more than 15 percent of the amounts made available to carry out this section may be expended in any 1 State.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title II, §201, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3601; amended Pub. L. 118-272, div. B, title II, §2213(a), Jan. 4, 2025, 138 Stat. 3179.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3141, Pub. L. 89-136, title II, §201, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 554; Pub. L. 91-304, §1(b), July 6, 1970, 84 Stat. 375; Pub. L. 92-65, title I, §104, Aug. 5, 1971, 85 Stat. 167; Pub. L. 93-46, §2, June 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 96; Pub. L. 93-423, §4(a), Sept. 27, 1974, 88 Stat. 1158; Pub. L. 94-487, title I, §107(a), (b), Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2332; Pub. L. 96-506, §1(3), Dec. 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 2745; Pub. L. 97-35, title XVIII, §1821(a)(2), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 766, authorized public works and development facility loans, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

AMENDMENTS

2025—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 118-272, §2213(a)(1)(A), inserted “or for the improvement of waste management and recycling systems” after “development facility”.
 Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 118-272, §2213(a)(1)(B), inserted “increasing the resilience” after “expansion”.
 Subsec. (b)(1)(A). Pub. L. 118-272, §2213(a)(2)(A), substituted “successful establishment, expansion, or retention,” for “successful establishment or expansion”.
 Subsec. (b)(1)(C). Pub. L. 118-272, §2213(a)(2)(B), inserted “and underemployed” after “unemployed”.
 Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 118-272, §2213(a)(3), (4), added subsec. (c) and redesignated former subsec. (c) as (d).

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¹ So in original. Probably should be followed by a comma.

² So in original. The comma probably should not appear.