

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Social Security Act, referred to in subsecs. (a), (b)(2), (3)(A), (B)(i), (iii), (C)(ii), (iii), (5), (7), and (g)(1), is act Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, 49 Stat. 620, as amended. Part A of title IV of the Act is classified generally to part A (§601 et seq.) of subchapter IV of chapter 7 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. Part F of title IV of the Act was classified generally to part F (§681 et seq.) of subchapter IV of chapter 7 of Title 42, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-193, title I, §108(e), Aug. 22, 1996, 110 Stat. 2167. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1305 of Title 42 and Tables.

Section 482 of the Social Security Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(11), was classified to section 682 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 104-193, title I, §108(e), Aug. 22, 1996, 110 Stat. 2167.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-237, §941(11)(A), inserted section catchline.

Subsec. (d)(2)(B). Pub. L. 102-237, §941(11)(B), substituted “subsection (b)(3)(D)(iii)” for “paragraph (b)(3)(D)(iii)”.

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 102-237, §941(11)(C), substituted “subsection (b)(12)” for “subsection b(12)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-237 effective and to be implemented no later than Feb. 1, 1992, see section 1101(d)(1) of Pub. L. 102-237, set out as a note under section 1421 of this title.

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in subsec. (f)(2) of this section relating to submitting reports on periodic audits to certain committees of Congress, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 2 of House Document No. 103-7.

§ 2032. Automated data processing and information retrieval systems

(a) Standards and procedures for reviews

(1) Initial reviews

(A) In general

Not later than 1 year after November 28, 1990, the Secretary shall complete a review of regulations and standards (in effect on November 28, 1990) for the approval of an automated data processing and information retrieval system maintained by a State (hereinafter in this section referred to as a “system”) to determine the extent to which the regulations and standards contribute to a more effective and efficient program.

(B) Revision of regulations

The Secretary shall revise regulations (in effect on November 28, 1990) to take into account the findings of the review conducted under subparagraph (A).

(C) Incorporation of existing systems

The regulations shall require States to incorporate all or part of systems in use elsewhere, unless a State documents that the design and operation of an alternative system would be less costly. The Secretary shall establish standards to define the extent of modification of the systems for which payments will be made under either section 2025(a) or 2025(g) of this title.

(D) Implementation

Proposed systems shall meet standards established by the Secretary for timely implementation of proper changes.

(E) Cost effectiveness

Criteria for the approval of a system under section 2025(g) of this title shall include the cost effectiveness of the proposed system. On implementation of the approved system, a State shall document the actual cost and benefits of the system.

(2) Operational reviews

The Secretary shall conduct such reviews as are necessary to ensure that systems—

(A) comply with conditions of initial funding approvals; and

(B) adequately support program delivery in compliance with this chapter and regulations issued under this chapter.

(b) Standards for approval of systems

(1) In general

After conducting the review required under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall establish standards for approval of systems.

(2) Implementation

A State shall implement the standards established by the Secretary within a reasonable period of time, as determined by the Secretary.

(3) Periodic compliance reviews

The Secretary shall conduct appropriate periodic reviews of systems to ensure compliance with the standards established by the Secretary.

(c) Report

Not later than October 1, 1993, the Secretary shall report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate on the extent to which State agencies have developed and are operating effective systems that support food stamp program delivery in compliance with this chapter and regulations issued under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 88-525, §23, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XVII, §1763(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3805.)

CODIFICATION

November 28, 1990, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(B), was in the original “the date of enactment of this Act”, which was translated as meaning the date of enactment of Pub. L. 101-624, which enacted this section, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2020 of this title.

§ 2033. Territory of American Samoa

Effective October 1, 1995, from amounts made available to carry out this chapter, the Secretary shall pay to the Territory of American Samoa not more than \$5,300,000 for each of fiscal years 1996 through 2002 to finance 100 percent of the expenditures for the fiscal year for a nutrition assistance program extended under section 1469d(c) of title 48.

(Pub. L. 88-525, §24, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title IV, §401(g), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1027.)

§ 2034. Assistance for community food projects**(a) “Community food projects” defined**

In this section, the term “community food project” means a community-based project that requires a 1-time infusion of Federal assistance to become self-sustaining and that is designed to—

- (1) meet the food needs of low-income people;
- (2) increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their own food needs; and
- (3) promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues.

(b) Authority to provide assistance**(1) In general**

From amounts made available to carry out this chapter, the Secretary may make grants to assist eligible private nonprofit entities to establish and carry out community food projects.

(2) Limitation on grants

The total amount of funds provided as grants under this section may not exceed—

- (A) \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 1996; and
- (B) \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 1997 through 2002.

(c) Eligible entities

To be eligible for a grant under subsection (b) of this section, a private nonprofit entity must—

- (1) have experience in the area of—
 - (A) community food work, particularly concerning small and medium-sized farms, including the provision of food to people in low-income communities and the development of new markets in low-income communities for agricultural producers; or
 - (B) job training and business development activities for food-related activities in low-income communities;

- (2) demonstrate competency to implement a project, provide fiscal accountability, collect data, and prepare reports and other necessary documentation; and

- (3) demonstrate a willingness to share information with researchers, practitioners, and other interested parties.

(d) Preference for certain projects

In selecting community food projects to receive assistance under subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary shall give a preference to projects designed to—

- (1) develop linkages between 2 or more sectors of the food system;
- (2) support the development of entrepreneurial projects;
- (3) develop innovative linkages between the for-profit and nonprofit food sectors; or
- (4) encourage long-term planning activities and multi-system, interagency approaches.

(e) Matching funds requirements**(1) Requirements**

The Federal share of the cost of establishing or carrying out a community food project that receives assistance under subsection (b) of this section may not exceed 50 percent of the cost of the project during the term of the grant.

(2) Calculation

In providing for the non-Federal share of the cost of carrying out a community food project,

the entity receiving the grant shall provide for the share through a payment in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, including facilities, equipment, or services.

(3) Sources

An entity may provide for the non-Federal share through State government, local government, or private sources.

(f) Term of grant**(1) Single grant**

A community food project may be supported by only a single grant under subsection (b) of this section.

(2) Term

The term of a grant under subsection (b) of this section may not exceed 3 years.

(g) Technical assistance and related information**(1) Technical assistance**

In carrying out this section, the Secretary may provide technical assistance regarding community food projects, processes, and development to an entity seeking the assistance.

(2) Sharing information**(A) In general**

The Secretary may provide for the sharing of information concerning community food projects and issues among and between government, private for-profit and nonprofit groups, and the public through publications, conferences, and other appropriate forums.

(B) Other interested parties

The Secretary may share information concerning community food projects with researchers, practitioners, and other interested parties.

(h) Evaluation**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall provide for the evaluation of the success of community food projects supported using funds under this section.

(2) Report

Not later than January 30, 2002, the Secretary shall submit a report to Congress regarding the results of the evaluation.

(Pub. L. 88-525, §25, as added Pub. L. 104-127, title IV, §401(h), Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1027.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 3315 of this title.

§ 2035. Simplified Food Stamp Program**(a) “Federal costs” defined**

In this section, the term “Federal costs” does not include any Federal costs incurred under section 2026 of this title.

(b) Election

Subject to subsection (d) of this section, a State may elect to carry out a Simplified Food Stamp Program (referred to in this section as a “Program”), statewide or in a political subdivision of the State, in accordance with this section.

(c) Operation of Program

If a State elects to carry out a Program, within the State or a political subdivision of the State—