

subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 5 to negotiate and promulgate such regulations as are necessary to carry out this part.

**(2) Publication of proposed regulations**

Proposed regulations to implement this part shall be published in the Federal Register by the Secretary no later than 1 year after August 18, 2000.

**(3) Expiration of authority**

The authority to promulgate regulations under paragraph (1) shall expire 21 months after August 18, 2000.

**(b) Committee**

**(1) In general**

A negotiated rulemaking committee established pursuant to section 565 of title 5 to carry out this section shall have as its members only Federal and tribal government representatives, a majority of whom shall be nominated by and be representatives of Indian tribes with funding agreements under this subchapter.

**(2) Requirements**

The committee shall confer with, and accommodate participation by, representatives of Indian tribes, inter-tribal consortia, tribal organizations, and individual tribal members.

**(c) Adaptation of procedures**

The Secretary shall adapt the negotiated rulemaking procedures to the unique context of self-governance and the government-to-government relationship between the United States and Indian tribes.

**(d) Effect**

The lack of promulgated regulations shall not limit the effect of this part.

**(e) Effect of circulars, policies, manuals, guidelines, and rules**

Unless expressly agreed to by the participating Indian tribe in the compact or funding agreement, the participating Indian tribe shall not be subject to any agency circular, policy, manual, guidance, or rule adopted by the Indian Health Service, except for the eligibility provisions of section 450j(g) of this title and regulations promulgated under this section.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §517, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 730.)

**§ 458aaa-17. Appeals**

In any appeal (including civil actions) involving decisions made by the Secretary under this part, the Secretary shall have the burden of proof of demonstrating by clear and convincing evidence—

(1) the validity of the grounds for the decision made; and

(2) that the decision is fully consistent with provisions and policies of this part.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §518, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 730.)

**§ 458aaa-18. Authorization of appropriations**

**(a) In general**

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this part.

**(b) Availability of appropriations**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the provision of funds under this subchapter shall be subject to the availability of appropriations and the Secretary is not required to reduce funding for programs, projects, or activities serving a tribe in order to make funds available to another tribe or tribal organization under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §519, as added Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 731.)

PART F—NATIONAL FUND FOR EXCELLENCE IN AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION

CODIFICATION

This part is comprised of title V of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-568, title XIII, §1302, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2936, as amended. Another title V of Pub. L. 93-638 was added by Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 712, and is classified to part E (§458aaa et seq.) of this subchapter.

**§ 458bbb. National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education**

**(a) In general**

As soon as practicable after December 27, 2000, the Secretary of the Interior shall establish, under the laws of the District of Columbia and in accordance with this part, a foundation to be known as the “National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education” (hereinafter referred to as the “Foundation”).

**(b) Perpetual existence**

Except as otherwise provided, the Foundation shall have perpetual existence.

**(c) Nature of corporation**

The Foundation shall be a charitable and non-profit federally chartered corporation and shall not be an agency or instrumentality of the United States.

**(d) Place of incorporation and domicile**

The Foundation shall be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.

**(e) Purposes**

The purposes of the Foundation shall be—

(1) to encourage, accept, and administer private gifts of real and personal property or any income therefrom or other interest therein for the benefit of, or in support of, the mission of the Office of Indian Education Programs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (or its successor office);

(2) to undertake and conduct such other activities as will further the educational opportunities of American Indians who attend a Bureau funded school; and

(3) to participate with, and otherwise assist, Federal, State, and tribal governments, agencies, entities, and individuals in undertaking and conducting activities that will further the educational opportunities of American Indians attending Bureau funded schools.

**(f) Board of Directors**

**(1) In general**

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Foundation. The Board may

exercise, or provide for the exercise of, the powers of the Foundation.

**(2) Selection**

The number of members of the Board, the manner of their selection (including the filling of vacancies), and their terms of office shall be as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the Foundation. However, the Board shall have at least 11 members, two of whom shall be the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, who shall serve as ex officio nonvoting members, and the initial voting members of the Board shall be appointed by the Secretary not later than 6 months after the date that the Foundation is established and shall have staggered terms (as determined by the Secretary).

**(3) Qualification**

The members of the Board shall be United States citizens who are knowledgeable or experienced in American Indian education and shall, to the extent practicable, represent diverse points of view relating to the education of American Indians.

**(4) Compensation**

Members of the Board shall not receive compensation for their services as members, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and subsistence expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties of the Foundation.

**(g) Officers**

**(1) In general**

The officers of the Foundation shall be a secretary, elected from among the members of the Board, and any other officers provided for in the constitution and bylaws of the Foundation.

**(2) Secretary of Foundation**

The secretary shall serve, at the direction of the Board, as its chief operating officer and shall be knowledgeable and experienced in matters relating to education in general and education of American Indians in particular.

**(3) Election**

The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers shall be as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the Foundation.

**(h) Powers**

The Foundation—

(1) shall adopt a constitution and bylaws for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs, which may be amended;

(2) may adopt and alter a corporate seal;

(3) may make contracts, subject to the limitations of this subchapter;

(4) may acquire (through a gift or otherwise), own, lease, encumber, and transfer real or personal property as necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the Foundation;

(5) may sue and be sued; and

(6) may perform any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of the Foundation.

**(i) Principal office**

The principal office of the Foundation shall be in the District of Columbia. However, the activities of the Foundation may be conducted, and offices may be maintained, throughout the United States in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the Foundation.

**(j) Service of process**

The Foundation shall comply with the law on service of process of each State in which it is incorporated and of each State in which the Foundation carries on activities.

**(k) Liability of officers and agents**

The Foundation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within the scope of their authority. Members of the Board are personally liable only for gross negligence in the performance of their duties.

**(l) Restrictions**

**(1) Limitation on spending**

Beginning with the fiscal year following the first full fiscal year during which the Foundation is in operation, the administrative costs of the Foundation may not exceed 10 percent of the sum of—

(A) the amounts transferred to the Foundation under subsection (m) of this section during the preceding fiscal year; and

(B) donations received from private sources during the preceding fiscal year.

**(2) Appointment and hiring**

The appointment of officers and employees of the Foundation shall be subject to the availability of funds.

**(3) Status**

Members of the Board, and the officers, employees, and agents of the Foundation are not, by reason of their association with the Foundation, officers, employees, or agents of the United States.

**(m) Transfer of donated funds**

The Secretary may transfer to the Foundation funds held by the Department of the Interior under section 451 of this title, if the transfer or use of such funds is not prohibited by any term under which the funds were donated.

**(n) Audits**

The Foundation shall comply with the audit requirements set forth in section 10101 of title 36, as if it were a corporation in part B of subtitle II of that title.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §501, as added Pub. L. 106-568, title XIII, §1302, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2936; amended Pub. L. 108-267, §1(a),(b)(2), July 2, 2004, 118 Stat. 797.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (h)(3), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, as amended, known as the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, which is classified principally to this subchapter (§450 et seq.). For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Another section 501 of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 712, is classified to section 458aaa of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-267, §1(b)(2), substituted “National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education” for “American Indian Education Foundation” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-267, §1(a), substituted “a foundation to be known as the ‘National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education’ (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Foundation’)” for “the American Indian Education Foundation”.

**§ 458bbb-1. Administrative services and support****(a) Provision of support by Secretary**

Subject to subsection (b) of this section, during the 5-year period beginning on the date that the Foundation is established, the Secretary—

(1) may provide personnel, facilities, and other administrative support services to the Foundation;

(2) may provide funds to reimburse the travel expenses of the members of the Board under section 458bbb of this title; and

(3) shall require and accept reimbursements from the Foundation for any—

(A) services provided under paragraph (1); and

(B) funds provided under paragraph (2).

**(b) Reimbursement**

Reimbursements accepted under subsection (a)(3) of this section shall be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriations then current and chargeable for the cost of providing services described in subsection (a)(1) of this section and the travel expenses described in subsection (a)(2) of this section.

**(c) Continuation of certain services**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Secretary may continue to provide facilities and necessary support services to the Foundation after the termination of the 5-year period specified in subsection (a) of this section, on a space available, reimbursable cost basis.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §502, as added Pub. L. 106-568, title XIII, §1302, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2938.)

## CODIFICATION

Another section 502 of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 714, is classified to section 458aaa-1 of this title.

**§ 458bbb-2. Definitions**

For the purposes of this part—

(1) the term “Bureau funded school” has the meaning given that term in title XI of the Education Amendments of 1978 [25 U.S.C. 2000 et seq.];

(2) the term “Foundation” means the Foundation established by the Secretary pursuant to section 458bbb of this title; and

(3) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 93-638, title V, §503, as added Pub. L. 106-568, title XIII, §1302, Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2938.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Education Amendments of 1978, referred to in par. (1), is Pub. L. 95-561, Nov. 1, 1978, 92 Stat. 2143, as amended. Title XI of the Act is classified principally to chapter 22 (§2000 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6301 of Title 20, Education, and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Another section 503 of Pub. L. 93-638, as added by Pub. L. 106-260, §4, Aug. 18, 2000, 114 Stat. 714, is classified to section 458aaa-2 of this title.

## [SUBCHAPTER III—RESERVED]

SUBCHAPTER IV—CONVEYANCE OF  
SUBMARGINAL LAND**§ 459. Submarginal lands of United States held in trust for specified Indian tribes****(a) Declaration; addition to reservations**

Except as hereinafter provided, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States of America in all of the land, and the improvements now thereon, that was acquired under title II of the National Industrial Recovery Act of June 16, 1933 (48 Stat. 200), the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of April 8, 1935 (49 Stat. 115), and section 55 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (49 Stat. 750, 781), and that are now administered by the Secretary of the Interior for the use or benefit of the Indian tribes identified in section 459a(a) of this title, together with all minerals underlying any such land whether acquired pursuant to such Acts or otherwise owned by the United States, are hereby declared to be held by the United States in trust for each of said tribes, and (except in the case of the Cherokee Nation) shall be a part of the reservations heretofore established for each of said tribes.

**(b) Imposition of conditions on conveyed lands; lands excepted from conveying authority**

The property conveyed by this subchapter shall be subject to the appropriation or disposition of any of the lands, or interests therein, within the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, South Dakota, as authorized by sections 441j to 441o of title 16, and subject to a reservation in the United States of a right to prohibit or restrict improvements or structures on, and to continuously or intermittently inundate or otherwise use, lands in sections 25 and 26, township 48 north, range 3 west, at Odanah, Wisconsin, in connection with the Bad River flood control project as authorized by section 203 of the Act of July 3, 1958 (72 Stat. 297, 311): *Provided*, That this subchapter shall not convey the title to any part of the lands or any interest therein that prior to October 17, 1975, have been included in the authorized water resources development projects in the Missouri River Basin as authorized by section 203 of the Act of July 3, 1958 (72 Stat. 297, 311), as amended and supplemented: *Provided further*, That such lands included in Missouri River Basin projects shall be treated as former trust lands are treated.

**(c) Additional lands held in trust for specified Indian tribes**

The right, title, and interest of the United States of America in all of the lands, including