free of such trust or restrictions, in accordance with the laws of the State in which the property is located.

(Pub. L. 91–229, § 4, Apr. 11, 1970, 84 Stat. 120.)

§ 492. Interest rates and taxes

Loans made or insured pursuant to sections 488 to 494 of this title will be subject to the interest rate provisions of section 307(a)(3)(B) of the Consolidated Farmers Home Administration Act of 1961, as amended [7 U.S.C. 1927(a)(3)(B)], and to the provisions of subtitle D of that Act [7 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.] except sections 340 [7 U.S.C. 1990], 341, 342 [7 U.S.C. 1013a], and 343 [7 U.S.C. 1991] thereof: *Provided*, That section 334 [7 U.S.C. 1984] thereof shall not be construed to subject to taxation any lands or interests therein while they are held by an Indian tribe or tribal corporation or by the United States in trust for such tribe or tribal corporation pursuant to sections 488 to 494 of this title.

(Pub. L. 91–229, § 5, Apr. 11, 1970, 84 Stat. 120; Pub. L. 101–624, title XVIII, § 1854(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Consolidated Farmers Home Administration Act of 1961, referred to in text, is now the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (Pub. L. 87–128, title III, Aug. 8, 1961, 75 Stat. 307, as amended). Subtitle D of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act is classified principally to subchapter IV (§ 1981 et seq.) of chapter 50 of Title 7, Agriculture. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1921 of Title 7 and Tables.

Section 341 of that Act is set out as a note under section 1921 of Title 7.

AMENDMENTS

1990—Pub. L. 101–624 substituted ''section 307(a)(3)(B)'' for ''section 307(a)''.

§ 493. Reduction of unpaid principal

(a) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture may, on the application of the borrower of a loan or loans made under sections 488 to 494 of this title, reduce the unpaid principal balance of such loan or loans to the current fair market value of the land purchased with the proceeds of the loan or loans if—

(1) the fair market value of the land has declined by at least 25 percent since such land was purchased by the borrower;

(2) the land has been held by the borrower for a period of at least 5 years; and

(3) the Secretary of the Interior finds that the borrower has insufficient income to both repay the loan or loans and provide normal tribal governmental services.

(b) Fair market value

(1) Appraisal

Current fair market value under subsection (a) of this section shall be determined through an appraisal by an independent qualified fee appraiser, selected by mutual agreement between the borrower and the Secretary of Agriculture.

(2) Costs

The cost of appraisals undertaken under paragraph (1) shall be paid by the borrower.

(c) Appeals

Decisions of the Secretary of Agriculture under this section shall be appealable in accordance with the provisions of section 333B[1] of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b).

(d) Future applications

A borrower that had a loan or loans reduced under this section shall not submit an application for another reduction on such loan or loans for a period of 5 years after the initial reduction.

(Pub. L. 91–229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101–82, title III, § 303, Aug. 14, 1989, 103 Stat. 583.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 333B of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983b), referred to in subsec. (c), was repealed by Pub. L. 103–354, title II, § 281(c), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3233.

CODIFICATION

Another section 6 of Pub. L. 91–229 was added by Pub. L. 101–624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837, and is classified to section 494 of this title.

§ 494. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out sections 488 to 494 of this title $8,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1991 through 1995.

(Pub. L. 91–229, § 6, as added Pub. L. 101–624, title XVIII, § 1854(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3837.)

CODIFICATION

Another section 6 of Pub. L. 91–229 was added by Pub. L. 101–82, title III, § 303, Aug. 14, 1989, 103 Stat. 583, and is classified to section 493 of this title.

§ 494a. Certification of rental proceeds

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any actual rental proceeds from the lease of land acquired under section 488 of this title certified by the Secretary of the Interior shall be deemed—

(1) to constitute the rental value of that land; and

(2) to satisfy the requirement for appraisal of that land.

(Pub. L. 109–221, title II, § 203, May 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 341.)

SUBCHAPTER VI—INDIANS OF ALASKA

§ 495. Annette Islands reserved for Metlakahtla Indians

Until otherwise provided by law the body of lands known as Annette Islands, situated in Alexander Archipelago in southeastern Alaska on the north side of Dixon's entrance, is set apart as a reservation for the use of the Metlakahtla Indians, and those people known as Metlakahtlans who, on March 3, 1891, had recently emigrated from British Columbia to Alaska, and such other Alaskan natives as may join them, to be held and used by them in common, under such rules and regulations, and subject to such restrictions, as may be prescribed from time to time by the Secretary of the Interior.

[1] See References in Text note below.