

of this section] (as amended by subsection (a) of this section) shall begin no earlier than 181 days after the date of enactment of this Act.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Section 902(h) of Pub. L. 97-35 provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section and sections 201, 225a [now 238d], 229b [now 238j], 243, 246, 289k-1, 300d-4, 300d-6, 300f-2, 300m, 300m-3, 9412, and 9511 of this title, repealing sections 247b-1, 247b-2, 255, 300d to 300d-3, 300d-5, 300d-7 to 300d-9, 300d-21, 2689 to 2689l, 2689n to 2689p, 2689r to 2689aaa, 9411, 9421 to 9423, 9431 to 9438, 9451, 9452, 9461 to 9465, 9471 to 9473, 9481, 9491 to 9493, 9502, 9512, 9521, and 9523 of this title, repealing provisions set out as notes under sections 246 and 2689 of this title, and transferring section 2689m to section 229d [now 238f] of this title] shall take effect October 1, 1981.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Section 110(c) of Pub. L. 95-622 provided that the amendment made by that section is effective July 29, 1975.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective July 1, 1975, see section 608 of Pub. L. 94-63, set out as an Effective Date of 1975 Amendment note under section 247b of this title.

OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS OF UNITED STATES NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY 1985 AMENDMENT

Section 226(c) of Pub. L. 99-129 provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) of this section [amending this section] shall not adversely affect other legal rights of the United States.”

**§ 238m. Use of fiscal agents**

**(a) Contracting authority**

The Secretary may enter into contracts with fiscal agents—

(1)(A) to determine the amounts payable to persons who, on behalf of the Indian Health Service, furnish health services to eligible Indians,

(B) to determine the amounts payable to persons who, on behalf of the Public Health Service, furnish health services to individuals pursuant to section 247d or 249 of this title,

(2) to receive, disburse, and account for funds in making payments described in paragraph (1),

(3) to make such audits of records as may be necessary to assure that these payments are proper, and

(4) to perform such additional functions as may be necessary to carry out the functions described in paragraphs (1) through (3).

**(b) Contracting prerequisites**

(1) Contracts under subsection (a) of this section may be entered into without regard to section 6101 of title 41 or any other provision of law requiring competition.

(2) No such contract shall be entered into with an entity unless the Secretary finds that the entity will perform its obligations under the contract efficiently and effectively and will meet such requirements as to financial responsibility, legal authority, and other matters as he finds pertinent.

**(c) Advances under contracts**

A contract under subsection (a) of this section may provide for advances of funds to enable entities to make payments under the contract.

**(d) Applicable statutory provisions**

Subsections (d) and (e)<sup>1</sup> of section 1395u of this title shall apply to contracts with entities under subsection (a) of this section in the same manner as they apply to contracts with carriers under that section.

**(e) “Fiscal agent” defined**

In this section, the term “fiscal agent” means a carrier described in section 1395u(f)(1)<sup>1</sup> of this title and includes, with respect to contracts under subsection (a)(1)(A) of this section, an Indian tribe or tribal organization acting under contract with the Secretary under the Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93-638) [25 U.S.C. 450f et seq.].

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title II, §244, formerly title XXI, §2116, as added Pub. L. 99-272, title XVII, §17003, Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 359; renumbered title XXIII, §2316, Pub. L. 99-660, title III, §311(a), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3755; renumbered title XXV, §2514, Pub. L. 100-607, title II, §201(1), (3), Nov. 4, 1988, 102 Stat. 3062, 3063; renumbered title XXVI, §2614, Pub. L. 100-690, title II, §2620(a), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4244; renumbered title XXVII, §2714, Pub. L. 101-381, title I, §101(1), (2), Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 576; renumbered title II, §244, Pub. L. 103-43, title XX, §2010(a)(1)-(3), June 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 213.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Subsections (d), (e), and (f) of section 1395u of this title, referred to in subsecs. (d) and (e), were repealed by Pub. L. 108-173, title IX, §911(c)(5), Dec. 8, 2003, 117 Stat. 2384.

The Indian Self-Determination Act, referred to in subsec. (e), is title I of Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2206, as amended, which is classified principally to part A (§450f et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 14 of Title 25, Indians. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of Title 25 and Tables.

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (b)(1), “section 6101 of title 41” substituted for “section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5)” on authority of Pub. L. 111-350, §6(c), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3854, which Act enacted Title 41, Public Contracts.

Section was classified to section 300aaa-13 of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 103-43, to section 300cc-15 of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 100-607, and to section 300aa-15 of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 99-660.

**§ 238n. Abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities regarding training and licensing of physicians**

**(a) In general**

The Federal Government, and any State or local government that receives Federal financial assistance, may not subject any health care entity to discrimination on the basis that—

(1) the entity refuses to undergo training in the performance of induced abortions, to require or provide such training, to perform such abortions, or to provide referrals for such training or such abortions;

(2) the entity refuses to make arrangements for any of the activities specified in paragraph (1); or

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.