of WIA, the Secretary must, upon request, provide technical assistance, as authorized under WIA sections 136(g) and 170.

(b) If a State fails to meet the negotiated levels of performance for core indicators of performance or customer satisfaction indicators for the same program in two successive years, the amount of the succeeding year’s allocation for the applicable program may be reduced by up to five percent.

(c) The exact amount of any allocation reduction will be based upon the degree of failure to meet the negotiated levels of performance for core indicators. In making a determination of the amount, if any, of such a sanction, we may consider factors such as:

1. The State’s performance relative to other States;
2. Improvement efforts underway;
3. Incremental improvement on the performance measures;
4. Technical assistance previously provided;
5. Changes in economic conditions and program design;
6. The characteristics of participants served compared to the participant characteristics described in the State Plan; and
7. Performance on other core indicators of performance and customer satisfaction indicators for that program. (WIA sec. 136(g).)

(d) Only performance that is less than 80 percent of the negotiated levels will be deemed to be a failure to achieve negotiated levels of performance.

(e) In accordance with 20 CFR 667.300(e), a State grant may be reduced for failure to submit an annual performance progress report.

(f) A State may request review of a sanction we impose in accordance with the provisions of 20 CFR 667.800.

Subpart C—Local Measures of Performance

§ 666.300 What performance indicators apply to local areas?

(a) Each local workforce investment area in a State is subject to the same core indicators of performance and the customer satisfaction indicators that apply to the State under §666.100(a).

(b) In addition to the indicators described in paragraph (a) of this section, under §666.110, the Governor may apply additional indicators of performance to local areas in the State. (WIA sec. 136(c)(1).)

§ 666.310 What levels of performance apply to the indicators of performance in local areas?

(a) The Local Board and the chief elected official must negotiate with the Governor and reach agreement on the local levels of performance for each indicator identified under §666.300. The levels must be based on the State negotiated levels of performance established under §666.120 and take into account the factors described in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) In determining the appropriate local levels of performance, the Governor, Local Board and chief elected official must take into account specific economic, demographic and other characteristics of the populations to be served in the local area.

(c) The performance levels agreed to under paragraph (a) of this section must be incorporated in the local plan. (WIA secs. 118(b)(3) and 136(c).)

Subpart D—Incentives and Sanctions for Local Performance

§ 666.400 Under what circumstances are local areas eligible for State Incentive Grants?

(a) States must use a portion of the funds reserved for Statewide workforce investment activities under WIA sections 128(a) and 133(a)(1) to provide Incentive Grants to local areas for regional cooperation among local boards (including local boards for a designated region, as described in WIA section 116(c)), for local coordination of activities carried out under this Act, and for exemplary performance on the local performance measures established under subpart C of this part.

(b) The amount of funds used for Incentive Grants under paragraph (a) of this section and the criteria used for determining exemplary local performance levels to qualify for the incentive grants are determined by the Governor. (WIA sec. 134(a)(2)(B)(iii).)