retary, in the Secretary's sole discretion, may require.

(d) Termination of reporting requirements

The requirement to submit reports under subsections (a) and (b) shall terminate for a participating State with the submission of the completed reports due on the first March 31 to occur after 5 complete 12-month periods after the State is approved by the Secretary to be a participating State.

(Pub. L. 111–240, title III, §3007, Sept. 27, 2010, 124 Stat. 2579; Pub. L. 117–2, title III, §3301(a)(1)(E), Mar. 11, 2021, 135 Stat. 69.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

 $2021\\-Subsec.$ (b). Pub. L. 117–2 substituted "March 31, 2022" for "March 31, 2011" in introductory provisions.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 117–2 applicable with respect to funds appropriated under section 3301 of Pub. L. 117–2 and funds appropriated on and after Mar. 11, 2021, see section 3301(g) of Pub. L. 117–2, set out as a note under section 5701 of this title.

§ 5707. Remedies for State program termination or failures

(a) Remedies

(1) In general

If any of the events listed in paragraph (2) occur, the Secretary, in the Secretary's discretion. may—

- (A) reduce the amount of Federal funds allocated to the State under the Program: or
- (B) terminate any further transfers of allocated amounts that have not yet been transferred to the State.

(2) Causal events

The events referred to in paragraph (1) are—
(A) termination by a participating State of

- its participation in the Program;
 (B) failure on the part of a participating
 State to submit complete reports under sec-
- tion 5706 of this title on a timely basis; or (C) noncompliance by the State with the terms of the allocation agreement between the Secretary and the State.

(b) Deallocated amounts to be reallocated

If, after 13 months, any portion of the amount of Federal funds allocated to a participating State is deemed by the Secretary to be no longer allocated to the State after actions taken by the Secretary under subsection (a)(1), the Secretary shall reallocate that portion among the participating States, excluding the State whose allocated funds were deemed to be no longer allocated, as provided in section 5702(b) of this title.

(Pub. L. 111–240, title III, §3008, Sept. 27, 2010, 124 Stat. 2580.)

§ 5708. Implementation and administration

(a) General authorities and duties

The Secretary shall-

- (1) consult with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration and the appropriate Federal banking agencies on the administration of the Program;
- (2) establish minimum national standards for approved State programs;
- (3) provide technical assistance to States for starting State programs and generally disseminate best practices;
- (4) manage, administer, and perform necessary program integrity functions for the Program; and
- (5) ensure adequate oversight of the approved State programs, including oversight of the cash flows, performance, and compliance of each approved State program.

(b) Appropriations

There is hereby appropriated to the Secretary, out of funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$1,500,000,000 to carry out the Program, including to pay reasonable costs of administering the Program.

(c) Termination of Secretary's Program administration functions

The authorities and duties of the Secretary to implement and administer the Program shall terminate at the end of the 7-year period beginning on March 11, 2021.

(d) Expedited contracting

During the 1-year period beginning on March 11, 2021, the Secretary may enter into contracts without regard to any other provision of law regarding public contracts, for purposes of carrying out this chapter.

(e) Technical assistance

Of the amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2021 to carry out the Program, \$500,000,000 may be used by the Secretary to—

- (1) provide funds to States to carry out a technical assistance plan under which a State will provide legal, accounting, and financial advisory services, either directly or contracted with legal, accounting, and financial advisory firms, with priority given to business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, to very small businesses and business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals applying for—
 - (A) State programs under the Program; and
 - (B) other State or Federal programs that support small businesses;
- (2) transfer amounts to the Minority Business Development Agency, so that the Agency may use such amounts in a manner the Agency determines appropriate, including through contracting with third parties, to provide technical assistance to business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals applying to—
 - (A) State programs under the Program; and
 - (B) other State or Federal programs that support small businesses; and
- (3) contract with legal, accounting, and financial advisory firms (with priority given to