



21st Century ROAD to Housing Act

Title VIII, Section 801

HUD-USDA-VA Interagency Coordination Act

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SUMMARY

Section 801 directs HUD, the USDA, and the VA to coordinate on “housing-related research and market data that facilitate evidence-based policymaking.” It is an effort to improve coordination between the three agencies that administer federally funded housing programs. The agencies must establish an MOU and draft a report with specific topics, which will be open to public comment for a 30-day period.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Subsection (a): Memorandum of Understanding

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish a memorandum of understanding, or other appropriate interagency agreement, to share relevant housing-related research and market data that facilitate evidence-based policymaking.

Subsection (b): Interagency Report

Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of HUD, the Secretary of USDA, and the Secretary of VA shall jointly submit to Congress¹ a report containing –

- A. A description of opportunities for increased collaboration between the Secretary of HUD, the Secretary of USDA, and the Secretary of VA to reduce inefficiencies in housing programs;
- B. A list of Federal laws (including regulations) that adversely affect the availability and affordability of new construction of assisted housing and single-family and multifamily residential housing subject to mortgages insured under title II of the National Housing Act ([12 U.S.C. 1701](#) et seq.), insured, guaranteed, or made by the Secretary of USDA under title V of the Housing Act of 1949 ([42 U.S.C. 1471](#) et seq.), or insured, guaranteed, or made by the Secretary of VA under chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code; and
- C. Recommendations for Congress regarding the Federal laws (including regulations) described in subparagraph (B).

The report shall, prior to submission under this subsection, be published in the Federal Register and open for comment for a period of 30 days.

¹ Specifically, the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the House Committee on Financial Services