§ 2273. Determinations by Secretary of Labor

(a) Certification of eligibility

As soon as possible after the date on which a petition is filed under section 2271 of this title, but in any event not later than 40 days after that date, the Secretary shall determine whether the petitioning group meets the requirements of section 2272 of this title and shall issue a certification of eligibility to apply for assistance under this subpart covering workers in any group which meets such requirements. Each certification shall specify the date on which the total or partial separation began or threatened to begin.

(b) Workers covered by certification

A certification under this section shall not apply to any worker whose last total or partial separation from the firm before the worker’s application under section 2291 of this title occurred more than one year before the date of the petition on which such certification was granted.

(c) Publication of determination in Federal Register

Upon reaching a determination on a petition, the Secretary shall promptly publish a summary of the determination in the Federal Register and on the website of the Department of Labor, together with the Secretary’s reasons for making such determination.

(d) Termination of certification

Whenever the Secretary determines, with respect to any certification of eligibility of the workers of a firm, that total or partial separations from such firm are no longer attributable to the conditions specified in section 2272 of this title, the Secretary shall terminate such certification and promptly have notice of such termination published in the Federal Register and on the website of the Department of Labor, together with the Secretary’s reasons for making such determination. Such termination shall apply only with respect to total or partial separations occurring after the termination date specified by the Secretary.

(e) Standards for investigations and determinations

(1) In general

The Secretary shall establish standards, including data requirements, for investigations of petitions filed under section 2271 of this title and criteria for making determinations under subsection (a).

(2) Consultations

Not less than 90 days before issuing a final rule with respect to the standards required under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall consult with the Committee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives with respect to such rule.
Codification


Amendments

2011—Pub. L. 112–40, §§ 201(b), (c), 233, temporarily revived the provisions of this section, as in effect on Feb. 12, 2011. See Codification note above and 2009 Amendment and Effective and Termination Dates of 2011 Revival notes below.

2009—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 111–5, §§ 1803(1), 1893, temporarily substituted “before the worker’s application under section 2291 of this title occurred more than one year before the date of the petition on which such certification was granted.” for “or appropriate subdivision of the firm before his application under section 2291 of this title occurred—

“(1) more than one year before the date of the petition on which such certification was granted, or

“(2) more than 6 months before the effective date of this part.”

See Codification note above and Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment note below.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 111–5, §§ 1803(2), 1858 (a), 1893, temporarily substituted “a determination” for “his determination” and “and on the website of the Department of Labor, together with the Secretary’s reasons” for “together with his reasons”. See Codification note above and Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment note below.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 111–5, §§ 1803(3), 1893, temporarily substituted “, that total or partial separations from such firm are no longer attributable to the conditions specified in section 2272 of this title, the Secretary shall” for “or subdivision of the firm, that total or partial separations from such firm or subdivision are no longer attributable to the conditions specified in section 2272 of this title, he shall” and “and on the website of the Department of Labor, together with the Secretary’s reasons” for “together with his reasons”. See Codification note above and Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment note below.


2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107–210 substituted “40 days” for “60 days”.

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103–182 substituted “assistance under this subpart” for “assistance under this part”.

Effective and Termination Dates of 2011 Revival

For temporary revival and applicability of provisions as in effect on Feb. 12, 2011, see sections 201(b), (c) and 233 of Pub. L. 112–40, set out as notes preceding section 2271 of this title. For reversion, beginning on Jan. 1, 2014, to provisions in effect on Feb. 13, 2011, with certain exceptions and subject to section 233(b) of Pub. L. 112–40, see section 233 of Pub. L. 112–40, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.

Effective and Termination Dates of 2009 Amendment

Except as otherwise provided and subject to certain applicability provisions, amendment by Pub. L. 111–5 effective upon the expiration of the 90-day period beginning on Feb. 17, 2009, see section 1891 of Pub. L. 111–5, set out as a note under section 2271 of this title.

Section 1893 of Pub. L. 111–5, which provided that, except as otherwise provided, amendment by Pub. L. 111–5 not applicable on or after Feb. 13, 2011, and that this section be applied and administered beginning Feb. 13, 2011, as if amendment by Pub. L. 111–5 had never been enacted, was repealed by Pub. L. 112–40, title II, § 201(a), Oct. 21, 2011, 125 Stat. 403. See Codification note above.

Effective Date of 2002 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 107–210 applicable to petitions for certification filed under this part or part 3 of this subchapter on or after the date that is 90 days after Aug. 6, 2002, except as otherwise provided, see section 151 of Pub. L. 107–210, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.
**Effective Date of 1993 Amendment**

Amendment by Pub. L. 103–182 effective on the date the North American Free Trade Agreement enters into force with respect to the United States [Jan. 1, 1994], see section 506(a) of Pub. L. 103–182, set out as a note under section 2271 of this title.

**Termination Date**

No trade adjustment assistance, vouchers, allowances, or other payments or benefits may be provided under this section after Dec. 31, 2013, except as otherwise provided, see section 285 of Pub. L. 93–618, set out as a note preceding section 2271 of this title.