TITLE 42 - THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE
CHAPTER 45 - FAIR HOUSING
SUBCHAPTER I - GENERALLY

§ 3601. Declaration of policy

It is the policy of the United States to provide, within constitutional limitations, for fair housing throughout the United States.


Effective Date of 1988 Amendment

Pub. L. 100–430, § 13(a), Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1636, provided that: “This Act and the amendments made by this Act [see Short Title of 1988 Amendment note below] shall take effect on the 180th day beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act [Sept. 13, 1988].”

Short Title of 1995 Amendment


Short Title of 1988 Amendment

Pub. L. 100–430, § 1, Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1619, provided that: “This Act [enacting sections 3610 to 3614a of this title, amending sections 3602, 3604 to 3608, 3615 to 3619, and 3631 of this title and sections 2341 and 2342 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure, repealing former sections 3610 to 3613 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and section 3602 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988’.”

Short Title

Section 1 of Pub. L. 90–284, as added by Pub. L. 100–430, § 2, Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1619, provided: “That this Act [enacting this chapter, sections 231 to 233, 245, 2101, and 2102 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and sections 1301 to 1303, 1311, 1312, 1321 to 1326, 1331, and 1341 of Title 25, Indians, amending sections 1973j, 3533, 3535 of this title, and sections 241, 242, and 1153 of Title 18, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 231 and 245 of Title 18, and repealing provisions set out as notes under section 1360 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure] may be cited as the ‘Civil Rights Act of 1968’.”

Section 800 of Pub. L. 90–284, title VIII, as added by Pub. L. 100–430, § 4, Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1619, provided that: “This title [enacting this subchapter and amending sections 3533 and 3535 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Fair Housing Act’.”

Separability

Pub. L. 100–430, § 14, Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1636, provided that: “If any provision of this Act [see Short Title of 1988 Amendment note above] or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of the provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other circumstances shall not be affected thereby.”

Disclaimer of Preemptive Effect on Other Acts


Initial Rulemaking

Pub. L. 100–430, § 13(b), Sept. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 1636, provided that: “In consultation with other appropriate Federal agencies, the Secretary shall, not later than the 180th day after the date of the enactment of this Act [Sept. 13, 1988], issue rules to implement title VIII [this subchapter] as amended by this Act [see Short Title of 1988 Amendment note above]. The Secretary shall give public notice and opportunity for comment with respect to such rules.”
Federally Protected Activities; Penalties

Penalties for violations respecting federally protected activities not applicable to and not affecting activities under this subchapter, see section 101(b) of Pub. L. 90–284, set out as a note under section 245 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.