

§ 631.19

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§ 631.19 Appeals.

Except as provided in this part, disputes arising in programs under this part shall be adjudicated under the appropriate State or local grievance procedures required by subpart E of part 627 of this chapter or other applicable law. Complaints alleging violations of the Act or this part may be filed with the Secretary, pursuant to subpart F of part 627 of this chapter. Paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section refer to appeal rights set forth in this part.

(a) Section 628.405(g) of this chapter (appeals of denial of SDA designation) shall apply to denial of substate area designations under § 631.34(c)(1) and (3) of this part.

(b) Section 628.426(e) of this chapter (appeals of final disapproval of SDA job training plans or modifications) shall apply to final disapproval of substate plans under § 631.50(f) of this part.

(c) Section 628.426(f) of this chapter (appeals of a Governor's notice of intent to revoke approval of all or part of a plan) shall apply to a Governor's notice of intent to exercise by-pass authority under § 631.38 of this part.

(d) Section 628.430(b) of this chapter (appeals of the Secretary's disapproval of a plan when the SDA is the State) shall apply to plan disapproval when the substate area is the State, as set forth in § 631.50(g) and (h) of this part.

(e) Decisions pertaining to designations of substate grantees under § 631.35 of this part are not appealable to the Secretary.

Subpart C—Needs-related payments

§ 631.20 Needs-related payments.

(a) Title III funds available to States and substate grantees may be used to provide needs-related payments to participants in accordance with the approved State or substate plan, as appropriate.

(b) In accordance with the approved substate plan, needs-related payments shall be provided to an eligible dislocated worker only in order to enable such worker to participate in training or education programs under this part. To be eligible for needs-related payments:

(1) An eligible worker who has ceased to qualify for unemployment compensation must have been enrolled in a training or education program by the end of the thirteenth week of the worker's initial unemployment compensation benefit period, or, if later, by the end of the eighth week after an employee is informed that a short-term layoff will in fact exceed 6 months.

(2) For purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the term *enrolled in a training or education program* means that the worker's application for training has been approved and the training institution has furnished written notice that the worker has been accepted in the approved training program beginning within 30 calendar days.

(3) An eligible worker who does not qualify for unemployment compensation must be participating in a training or education program (section 314(e)(1)).

(c) Needs-related payments shall not be provided to any participant for the period that such individual is employed, enrolled in, or receiving on-the-job training, out-of-area job search, or basic readjustment services in programs under the Act, nor to any participant receiving trade readjustment allowances, on-the-job training, out-of-area job search allowances, or relocation allowances under Chapter 2 of Title II of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2271, *et seq.*) or part 617 of this chapter (section 314(e)(1)).

(d) The level of needs-related payments to an eligible dislocated worker in programs under this part shall not exceed the higher of:

(1) The applicable level of unemployment compensation; or

(2) The poverty level (as by the published by the Secretary of Health and Human Services) (section 314(e)(2)).

Subpart D—State Administration

§ 631.30 Designation or creation and functions of a State dislocated worker unit or office, and rapid response assistance.

(a) *Designation or creation of State dislocated worker unit or office.* The State shall designate or create an identifiable State dislocated worker unit or office with the capabilities and functions