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Section 806: AGREEMENT ADMINISTRATION

Authority to administer the Agreement shall rest with the Governing Board comprised of representatives of each member state. Each member state may appoint up to four representatives to the Governing Board. The representatives shall be members of the executive or legislative branches of the state or of a local government of that state. Each member state shall be entitled to one vote on the Governing Board. Except as otherwise provided in the Agreement, all actions taken by the Governing Board shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Governing Board present and voting. The Governing Board shall determine its meeting schedule, but shall meet at least once annually. The Governing Board shall provide a public comment period at each meeting to provide members of the public an opportunity to address the board on matters relevant to the administration or operation of the Agreement. The Governing Board shall provide public notice of its meetings at least thirty days in advance of such meetings. The Governing Board shall promulgate rules establishing the public notice requirements for holding emergency meetings on less than thirty days' notice. The Governing Board may meet electronically.

The Governing Board is responsible for the administration and operation of the Agreement, including the appointment of all manner of committees. The Governing Board may employ staff, advisors, consultants or agents. The Governing Board may issue interpretive opinions and promulgate such rules it deems necessary to carry out its responsibilities. Rules may take one of two forms: procedural rules, which shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Governing Board present and voting to adopt; and interpretative rules which shall require an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the entire Governing Board to adopt. The Governing Board may enter into contracts with non-member states. The Governing Board may take any action that is necessary and proper to fulfill the purposes of the Agreement. The Governing Board may allocate the cost of administration of the Agreement among the member states and nonmember states contracting with the Governing Board.

The Governing Board may assign committees certain duties, including, but not limited to:

- A. Responding to questions regarding the administration of the Agreement;
- B. Preparing certification requirements and coordinating the certification process for CSPs;

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- C. Coordinating joint audits;
- D. Issuing requests for proposals;
- E. Coordinating contracts with member states and providers; and
- F. Maintaining records for the Governing Board; and
- G. Entering into contracts with nonmember states for purposes including, but not limited to:
 - 1. Use of the central registration system;
 - 2. Coordinating negotiation of the CSP contracts; and
 - F. 3. Certifying the CSPs.

See Compiler's Notes for history.

Section 1103: LIMITED BINDING AND BENEFICIAL EFFECT

- A. This Agreement binds and inures only to the benefit of the member states and the nonmember states with whom the Governing Board contracts. No person, other than a member state and nonmember state with whom the Governing Board contracts, is an intended beneficiary of this Agreement. Any benefit to a person other than a state is established by the laws of the member states and not by the terms of this Agreement.
- B. Consistent with subsection (A), no person shall have any cause of action or defense under the Agreement or by virtue of a member state's approval of the Agreement. No person may challenge, in any action brought under any provision of law, any action or inaction by any department, agency, or other instrumentality of any member state, or any political subdivision of a member state on the ground that the action or inaction is inconsistent with the Agreement.
- C. No law of a member state, or the application thereof, may be declared invalid as to any person or circumstance on the ground that the provision or application is inconsistent with the Agreement.