(2)   PROVIDE ACCESS TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE CLIENTS IN ALL AREAS OF THE STATE.

(B)   POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS PROHIBITED.

THE CORPORATION MAY NOT USE A POLITICAL TEST OR POLITICAL QUALIFICATIONS TO SELECT OR MONITOR A GRANTEE UNDER THIS TITLE.

(C)   TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

(1)   THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OR A DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR REFUNDING BECAUSE OF A LACK OF AVAILABLE FUNDS.

(2)   THE CORPORATION SHALL PRESCRIBE PROCEDURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION TO GOVERN:

(I)   THE SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND

(II)   THE DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR REFUNDING.

(3)   THE PROCEDURES SHALL ENSURE THAT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTED MAY NOT BE SUSPENDED OR TERMINATED AND AN APPLICATION FOR REFUNDING MAY NOT BE DENIED UNLESS THE GRANTEE HAS BEEN GIVEN:

(I)   REASONABLE NOTICE; AND

(II)   AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A TIMELY, FULL, AND FAIR HEARING CONDUCTED BY AN INDEPENDENT HEARING EXAMINER.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 10, § 45G(d) and (g)(4).

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the reference to "legal assistance" is substituted for the former reference to "those services" for consistency with subsection (a)(1) of this section.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to a grantee "of financial assistance" is deleted as included in the definition of "grantee".

In subsection (c) of this section, the former reference to "the hearing [being] held prior to any final decision by the Corporation to terminate financial assistance or suspend or deny funding" is deleted as unnecessary because it is implicit in the requirement in subsection (c)(3)(ii) of this section that the procedures of the Corporation shall ensure that financial assistance may not be suspended or terminated and an application for refunding may not be denied unless the grantee has been given an opportunity for a timely, full, and fair hearing.