

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Food Quality Protection Act of 1996, referred to in subsec. (b)(3), is Pub. L. 104-170, Aug. 3, 1996, 110 Stat. 1489. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1996 Amendment note set out under section 136 of this title and Tables.

The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(3), is act June 25, 1947, ch. 125, as amended generally by Pub. L. 92-516, Oct. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 973, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§136 et seq.) of chapter 6 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 136 of this title and Tables.

The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(3), is act June 25, 1938, ch. 675, 52 Stat. 1040, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 9 (§301 et seq.) of Title 21, Food and Drugs. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 301 of Title 21 and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “2023” for “2018”.

2014—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 113-79 struck out “such sums as are necessary” after “appropriated”, substituted “section—” for “section for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2012.”, and added pars. (1) and (2).

2008—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 110-246, §7313, substituted “2012” for “2007”.

2002—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 107-171 substituted “2007” for “2002”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

**§ 7654. Food Safety Research Information Office****(a) Establishment**

The Secretary of Agriculture shall establish a Food Safety Research Information Office at the National Agricultural Library.

**(b) Purpose**

The Office shall provide to the research community and the general public information on publicly funded, and to the maximum extent practicable, privately funded food safety research initiatives for the purpose of—

- (1) preventing unintended duplication of food safety research; and
- (2) assisting the executive and legislative branches of the Federal Government and private research entities to assess food safety research needs and priorities.

**(c) Cooperation**

The Office shall carry out this section in cooperation with the National Institutes of Health, the Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, public institutions, and, on a voluntary basis, private research entities.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, §615, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 606; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §7301(a), (b)(1), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 454.)

## AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107-171 struck out “and national conference” after “Information Office” in section catchline, struck out subsec. (a) designation and heading, re-designated pars. (1) to (3) of former subsec. (a) as subsecs. (a) to (c), respectively, and subpars. (A) and (B) of former par. (2) as pars. (1) and (2) of subsec. (b), respectively, realigned margins, substituted “this section” for “this subsection” in subsec. (c), and struck out former subsecs. (b) and (c) which related to national conference and annual workshops and food safety report, respectively.

**§ 7655. Safe food handling education**

The Secretary of Agriculture shall continue to develop a national program of safe food handling education for adults and young people to reduce the risk of food-borne illness. The national program shall be suitable for adoption and implementation through State cooperative extension services and school-based education programs.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, §616, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 606.)

**§ 7655a. Food safety education initiatives****(a) Initiative authorized**

The Secretary may carry out a food safety education program to educate the public and persons in the fresh produce industry about—

- (1) scientifically proven practices for reducing microbial pathogens on fresh produce; and
- (2) methods of reducing the threat of cross-contamination of fresh produce through sanitary handling practices.

**(b) Cooperation**

The Secretary may carry out the education program in cooperation with public and private partners.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2023, to remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 110-234, title X, §10105, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1336; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title X, §10105, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2098; Pub. L. 113-79, title X, §10006, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 947; Pub. L. 115-334, title X, §10106, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4905.)

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

Section was enacted as part of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, and not as part of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, which in part comprises this chapter.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “2023” for “2018”.

2014—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 113-79 substituted “2018” for “2012”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Enactment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 8701 of this title.

## DEFINITION OF “SECRETARY”

“Secretary” as meaning the Secretary of Agriculture, see section 8701 of this title.

**§ 7655b. Forestry products advanced utilization research**

**(a) Establishment**

The Secretary shall establish a forestry and forestry products research and extension initiative to develop and disseminate science-based tools that address the needs of the forestry sector and their respective regions, forest and timberland owners and managers, and forestry products engineering, manufacturing, and related interests.

**(b) Activities**

The initiative described in subsection (a) shall include the following activities:

- (1) Research conducted for purposes of—
  - (A) wood quality improvement with respect to lumber strength and grade yield;
  - (B) the development of novel engineered lumber products and renewable energy from wood; and
  - (C) enhancing the longevity, sustainability, and profitability of timberland through sound management and utilization.
- (2) Demonstration activities and technology transfer to demonstrate the beneficial characteristics of wood as a green building material, including investments in life cycle assessment for wood products.
- (3) Projects designed to improve—
  - (A) forestry products, lumber, and evaluation standards and valuation techniques;
  - (B) lumber quality and value-based, on-forest management techniques; and
  - (C) forestry products conversion and manufacturing efficiency, productivity, and profitability over the long term (including forestry product marketing).

**(c) Grants**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall make competitive grants to carry out the activities described in subsection (b).

**(2) Priorities**

In making grants under this section, the Secretary shall give higher priority to activities that are carried out by entities that—

- (A) are multistate, multiinstitutional, or multidisciplinary;
- (B) have explicit mechanisms to communicate results to producers, forestry industry stakeholders, policymakers, and the public; and
- (C) have—
  - (i) extensive history and demonstrated experience in forestry and forestry products research;
  - (ii) existing capacity in forestry products research and dissemination; and
  - (iii) a demonstrated means of evaluating and responding to the needs of the related commercial sector.

**(3) Administration**

In making grants under this section, the Secretary shall follow the requirements of

paragraphs (4), (7), (8), and (11)(B) of subsection (b) of section 3157 of this title.

**(4) Term**

The term of a grant made under this section may not exceed 10 years.

**(d) Coordination**

The Secretary shall ensure that any activities carried out under this section are carried out in coordination with the Forest Service, including the Forest Products Laboratory, and other appropriate agencies of the Department.

**(e) Report**

The Secretary shall submit an annual report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate describing, for the period covered by the report—

- (1) the research that has been conducted under paragraph (2) of subsection (b);
- (2) the number of buildings the Forest Service has built with wood as the primary structural material; and
- (3) the investments made by the Forest Service in green building and wood promotion.

**(f) Authorization of appropriations**

**(1) In general**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$7,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2023.

**(2) Matching funds**

To the extent practicable, the Secretary shall match any funds made available under paragraph (1) with funds made available under section 1646 of title 16.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, § 617, as added Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, § 7310, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 892; amended Pub. L. 115-334, title VII, § 7308, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4816.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 617 of Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 607, which was not classified to the Code, was repealed by Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, § 7302, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 455.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 115-334 substituted “2023” for “2018”.

**§ 7655c. Clarification of research and development program for wood building construction**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall conduct performance-driven research and development, education, and technical assistance for the purpose of facilitating the use of innovative wood products in wood building construction in the United States.

**(b) Activities**

In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

- (1) after receipt of input and guidance from, and collaboration with, the wood products industry, conservation organizations, and institutions of higher education, conduct research