

(c) Modernization and improvement of international trade technology systems and data collection

(1) In general

The Secretary shall establish a new system or modify an existing data collection and organization system to collect and organize in a single system quantitative data on imports of each organically produced agricultural product accepted into the United States.

(2) Activities

In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary shall modernize trade and transaction certificates to ensure full traceability to the port of entry without unduly hindering trade or commerce, such as through an electronic trade document exchange system.

(3) Access

The single system established under paragraph (1) shall be accessible by any agency with the direct authority to engage in—

(A) inspection of imports of agricultural products;

(B) trade data collection and organization; or

(C) enforcement of trade requirements for organically produced agricultural products.

(4) Funding

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2019 and \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2024 for the purposes of—

(A) carrying out this subsection; and

(B) maintaining the database and technology upgrades previously carried out under this subsection, as in effect on the day before December 20, 2018.

(5) Availability

The amounts made available under paragraph (4) are in addition to any other funds made available for the purposes described in that paragraph and shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXI, §2123, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3951; Pub. L. 110-234, title X, §10303, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1347; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title X, §10303, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2109; Pub. L. 113-79, title X, §10004(b), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 942; Pub. L. 115-334, title X, §10104(j), Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4904; Pub. L. 118-22, div. B, title I, §102(d)(7)(B), Nov. 17, 2023, 137 Stat. 118.)

Editorial Notes

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 L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub.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

2023—Subsec. (c)(4). Pub. L. 118-22 inserted “and \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2024” after “2019” in introductory provisions.

2018—Pub. L. 115-334, §10104(j)(1), substituted “Funding” for “Authorization of appropriations” in section catchline.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 115-334, §10104(j)(2), added pars. (1) to (6) and struck out former pars. (1) to (7) which re-

lated to amounts authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years 2008 to 2018 and additional sums necessary for fiscal year 2009 and each fiscal year thereafter.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 115-334, §10104(j)(3), added subsec. (c) and struck out former subsec. (c) which related to modernization and technology upgrade for national organic program.

2014—Subsec. (b)(6), (7). Pub. L. 113-79, §10004(b)(1), added par. (6) and redesignated former par. (6) as (7).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 113-79, §10004(b)(2), added subsec. (c).

2008—Pub. L. 110-246, §10303, designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2023 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 118-22 to be applied and administered as if enacted on Sept. 30, 2023, see section 102(g) of Pub. L. 118-22, set out in an Extension of Agricultural Programs note under section 9001 of this title.

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.

§ 6523. National organic certification cost-share program

(a) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture shall establish a national organic certification cost-share program to assist producers and handlers of agricultural products in obtaining certification under the national organic production program established under the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.).

(b) Federal share

(1) In general

Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary shall pay under this section not more than 75 percent of the costs incurred by a producer or handler in obtaining certification under the national organic production program, as certified to and approved by the Secretary.

(2) Maximum amount

The maximum amount of a payment made to a producer or handler under this section shall be \$750.

(c) Reporting

Not later than March 1 of each year, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes the requests by, disbursements to, and expenditures for each State under the program during the current and previous fiscal year, including the number of producers and handlers served by the program in the previous fiscal year.

(d) Mandatory funding

(1) In general

Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section—

(A) \$2,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 and 2020;

(B) \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 2021; and

(C) \$8,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2024.

(2) Availability

Amounts made available under paragraph (1) shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10606, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 514; Pub. L. 110–234, title X, §10301, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1346; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title X, §10301, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2108; Pub. L. 112–240, title VII, §701(g)(3), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 2366; Pub. L. 113–79, title X, §10004(c), Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 942; Pub. L. 115–334, title X, §10105, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4905; Pub. L. 118–22, div. B, title I, §102(d)(7)(C), Nov. 17, 2023, 137 Stat. 118.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, referred to in subsec. (a), is title XXI of Pub. L. 101–624, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3935, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title 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.

Section was enacted as part of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, and not as part of the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 which comprises this chapter.

AMENDMENTS

2023—Subsec. (d)(1)(C), Pub. L. 118–22 substituted “through 2024” for “and 2023”.

2018—Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 115–334, §10105(a), struck out “(acting through the Agricultural Marketing Service)” after “Secretary of Agriculture”.

Subsec. (d), Pub. L. 115–334, §10105(b), added subsec. (d) and struck out former subsec. (d) which related to funding to carry out this section for fiscal years 2013 to 2018.

2014—Subsec. (d)(1), Pub. L. 113–79 added par. (1) and struck out former par. (1). Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “Of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall make available to carry out this section \$22,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.”

2013—Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 112–240, §701(g)(3)(A), substituted “The Secretary of Agriculture (acting through the Agricultural Marketing Service) shall” for “Of funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary of Agriculture (acting through the Agricultural Marketing Service) shall use \$22,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, to remain available until expended, to”.

Subsec. (d), Pub. L. 112–240, §701(g)(3)(B), added subsec. (d).

2008—Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 110–246, §10301(1), substituted “\$22,000,000 for fiscal year 2008” for “\$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2002”.

Subsec. (b)(2), Pub. L. 110–246, §10301(2), substituted “\$750” for “\$500”.

Subsec. (c), Pub. L. 110–246, §10301(3), added subsec. (c).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2023 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 118–22 to be applied and administered as if enacted on Sept. 30, 2023, see section 102(g) of Pub. L. 118–22, set out in an Extension of Agricultural Programs note under section 9001 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 112–240 effective Sept. 30, 2012, see section 701(j) of Pub. L. 112–240, set out in a 1-Year Extension of Agricultural Programs note under section 8701 of this title.

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.

§ 6524. Organically produced food

In the case of a food certified under the national organic program established under the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.), the certification shall be considered sufficient to make a claim regarding the absence of bioengineering in the food, such as “not bioengineered”, “non-GMO”, or another similar claim.

(Pub. L. 114–216, §2, July 29, 2016, 130 Stat. 838.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, referred to in text, is title XXI of Pub. L. 101–624, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3935, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of Pub. L. 114–216, and not as part of the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 which comprises this chapter.

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SUBCHAPTER I—FORESTRY RURAL REVITALIZATION

§ 6601. Forestry rural revitalization

(a) Establishment of economic development and global marketing program

The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the National Institute of Food and Agriculture and the Cooperative Extension System, and in consultation with the Forest Service, shall establish and implement educational programs and provide technical assistance to assist businesses, industries, and policymakers to create