

nomically and environmentally sound pest management tools and practices;

(3) assisting other agencies of the Department in fulfilling their responsibilities related to pest management or pesticides under the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-170; 110 Stat. 1489), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.), the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), and other applicable laws; and

(4) performing such other functions as may be required by law or prescribed by the Secretary.

(c) Interagency coordination

In support of its responsibilities under subsection (b), the Office of Pest Management Policy shall provide leadership to ensure coordination of interagency activities with the Environmental Protection Agency, the Food and Drug Administration, and other Federal and State agencies.

(d) Outreach

The Office of Pest Management Policy shall consult with agricultural producers that may be affected by pest management or pesticide-related activities or actions of the Department or other agencies as necessary in carrying out the Office's responsibilities under this section.

(e) Director

The Office of Pest Management Policy shall be under the direction of a Director appointed by the Secretary, who shall report directly to the Secretary or a designee of the Secretary.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

- (1) such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2013; and
- (2) \$3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2023.

(Pub. L. 105-185, title VI, §614, June 23, 1998, 112 Stat. 605; Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, §7132, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 435; Pub. L. 110-234, title VII, §7313, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1245; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title VII, §7313, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2006; Pub. L. 113-79, title VII, §7309, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 891; Pub. L. 115-334, title VII, §7307, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4816.)

Editorial Notes

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, which is classified generally to chapter 9 (§301 et seq.) of Title 21, Food and Drugs. For complete classi-

fication 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”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107-171 struck out “and national conference” after “Information Office” in section catchline, struck out subsec. (a) designation and heading, redesignated pars. (1) to (3) of former subsec. (a) as subssecs. (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 subssecs. (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.)

Editorial Notes**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”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**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 initia-

tive 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